



ABSTRACT



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Public Services – Educational qualification - Considering the Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education awarded by the Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi as equivalent to the Post Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion and Education awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr.MGR Medical University – Recommendation of the Equivalence Committee – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (AA1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(D) No.817

Date : 14-08-2012

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Read :

1. From the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine letter No.57796/Trg/86/2008, dated 29-5-2008
2. From the Director of Medical Education Letter No.19119 /E5/3/2004, dated 24-7-2008, 12-3-2009, 12-4-2011, and 21-11-2011
3. From the Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Open University, letter No.VC/IV-07/12-66, dated 6-2-2012.
4. From the Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Letter No.1689/RND-F1/2012, dated 7-6-2012.

ORDER:

In the reference second read above, the Director of Medical Education has stated that the Registrar, The Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai has informed that an Expert Committee constituted to look into the equivalence of Post-Graduate Diploma in Health promotion and Health Education with that of Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi opined that the syllabus of the courses Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi and the Post Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion and Education conducted by their University cannot be considered as equivalent. The Director of Medical Education has stated that the Indira Gandhi National Open University also

finds a place in Sl.No.56 at Schedule-II of General Rules for Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Service. Hence the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and the Director of Medical Education are of the view that both the qualification of Post Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion and Education and Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education may be included as one of the requisite qualification for the post of Health Educator *and the post of District Extension Educator.*

2. The Registrar, Indira Gandhi National Open University in the reference third read above has also requested to recognize the Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education programme offered by Indira Gandhi National Open University on par with the Diploma in Health Education offered by the All India Institute of Public Health and Hygiene, Calcutta University or from the Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust, Gandhigramam affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University or from any other institution recognized by Government of Tamil Nadu or any other recognized university for consideration to the post of Health Educator / District Extension Educator. The Director of Medical Education has therefore suggested that the Government may decide the issue by referring to the Equivalence Committee for Public Employment and Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.

3. The Government have examined the case and referred to the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission to place the qualifications of Post-Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion and Education offered by The Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University, Chennai and the Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education offered by the Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi before the Equivalence Committee of the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission to look into their equivalence for the purpose of employment for the post of Health Educator / District Extension Educator. The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission in the reference fourth read above has stated that the matter of considering Post Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion and Education awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University as equivalent to Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education awarded by the Indira Gandhi National Open University was placed before the 34th Equivalence Committee meeting held on 30-05-2012 and the Equivalence Committee has resolved and recommended that the candidates possessing the qualifications Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University are eligible for appointment to the Post of Health Educator *and the post of District Extension Educator.*

4. The Government have examined the proposal and decided to accept the recommendation of the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission. The Government accordingly do and hereby direct that the qualification of Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University be treated as equivalent to the Post Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion and Education awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University and the candidates possessing the above qualification are eligible for appointment to the post of Health Educator in Tamil Nadu Medical Service *and the post of District Extension Educator in Tamil Nadu Medical Subordinate Service.*

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5. The Director of Medical Education is directed to send amendment proposal to the adhoc rules governing the post of Health Educator to the Government at the earliest.
6. The Director of family welfare is directed to send amendment proposal to the ad-hoc rules governing the post of Dist. Exh. Educator to the Govt. at the earliest.
7. This order issues with the concurrence of Personnel and Administrative Reforms Department vide its U.O.No.10199/C1/2012 dated 19-3-2012.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Chennai-6
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