



PHARMACY COUNCIL OF INDIA

(Constituted under the Pharmacy Act, 1948)

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To

All State Governments/UTs
All State Pharmacy Councils

Sub: Qualification of President and Vice President of the State Pharmacy Council-reg.

Sir/Madam,

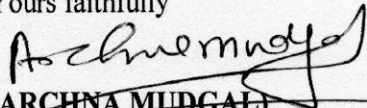
With reference to the subject cited above. In this connection, it is intimated that –

1. The Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) is a statutory body working under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi. It is constituted under the Pharmacy Act, 1948 and is responsible for regulation of –
 - pharmacy education for the purpose of registration as a pharmacist.
 - practice of profession of pharmacy in the country.
2. State Pharmacy Councils are constituted by the State Governments under Section 19 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 and are entrusted with the responsibility of registration of pharmacists. Section 19 (a) and (b) of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 are quoted below:
 - a. six members, elected from amongst themselves by registered pharmacists of the State;
 - b. five members, of whom at least [three] shall be persons possessing a prescribed degree or diploma in pharmacy or pharmaceutical chemistry or [registered pharmacists], nominated by the State Government;
3. It is noted that sometimes the President/Vice- President of the State Pharmacy Council are persons without Pharmacy qualification. As a result issues relating to pharmacy profession may face challenges.

4. Hence, 115th Central Council meeting of the PCI held on 9.5.2022 and 10.5.2022 decided to write to all the State Governments and State Pharmacy Councils that elected and nominated members of the State Pharmacy Councils u/s 19(a) and 19(b) holding the pharmacy qualification shall be the President and Vice President of the State Pharmacy Council.

This will be in the interest of profession.

Yours faithfully


(ARCHANA MUDGAL)
Registrar-cum-Secretary