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To All Vice Chancellors of Universities, All Directors/Principals of Technical Institutions, Punjab

Subject: Implementation of 10% Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in Technical Institutions in Punjab — Reference to Clause 6.37 of AICTE Approval Process Handbook 2024–27

Sir/Madam,

This has reference to the communication received vide letter no. JAC/2025/05-021 dated 01-05-2025 regarding the implementation of 10% reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in all educational institutions of Punjab, including unaided self-financing institutions.

In this regard, your attention is drawn to Clause 6.37 of the AICTE Approval Process Handbook (APH) 2024–27, which states as under:

"The State Government/ UT/ Directorate of Technical Education/ Directorate of Medical Education shall ensure that 10% of reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) as per the reservation policy for admission, operational from the Academic year 2019-20 without affecting the reservation percentages of SC/ST/OBC/ General. However, this would not be applicable in the case of Minority Institutions referred to the Clause (1) of Article 30 of Constitution of India. Further, the implementation of 10% EWS reservation in the private unaided-Institutions may be considered based on the relevant policies of the respective state governments. The intake in these institutions shall be 1.25 times of the existing intake of respective categories in these institutions."

Accordingly, institutions are advised to facilitate the implementation of 16% reservation for EWS, in alignment with the above provision, and in accordance with the policies and guidelines issued by the State Government. The objective is to ensure equitable access to technical education for economically weaker sections, without compromising the representation of other existing categories.

In institutions where implementation is applicable, the sanctioned intake may be increased to **1.25 times** the current approved intake to accommodate EWS candidates, thereby maintaining the proportional representation of all categories.



Illustrative Seat Matrix for Implementation:

A. Existing Intake = 60

| Category | 0/0 | Intake | Revised % | Intake (1.25x) |
|----------|------|--------|-----------|--|
| | 1 | 9 | 18.75 | 11.25 |
| SC | 15 | 5 | 9.375 | 5.625 |
| ST | 1 | - | | 20.25 |
| OBC | 27 | 16 | 33.75 | The state of the s |
| General | 50.5 | 30 | 50.625 | 30.375 |
| EWS | | | 12.5 | 7.5 |
| Total | 100 | 60 | 125 | 75 |

B. Existing Intake = 120

| Category | 0/0 | Intake | Revised % | Intake (1.25x) |
|----------------|------|--------|-----------|----------------|
| | 15 | 18 | 18.75 | 22.5 |
| SC | 7.5 | 9 | 9.375 | 11.25 |
| | 27 | 32 | 33.75 | 40.5 |
| OBC | 50.5 | 32 | 50.625 | 60.75 |
| General EWS | 30.2 | 01 | 12.5 | 15 |
| | 100 | 120 | 125 | 150 |
| Total | 100 | 120 | 123 | - |

It may also be noted that, as per existing norms, vacant EWS seats (if any) may be made available for Lateral Entry to Second Year Courses, in accordance with the applicable reservation policy.

You are kindly requested to take necessary steps in this regard in consultation with affiliating universities and the Directorate of Technical Education, Government of Punjab, to ensure smooth and effective implementation in the larger interest of inclusive and equitable education.

This communication is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Copy to:

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- 2. Director, Department of Technical Education, Punjab
- 3. Member Secretary, AICTE
- 4. PS to Chairman, AICTE

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