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From

**Principal & Controlling Officer of Homoeopathy**

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To

**The Secretary to Government**

Health & Family Welfare Department

Govt. of Kerala

Respected Sir,

Sub : Memorandums submitted by External MD teachers in Homeopathy Colleges regd.

Ref : Your letter Endt No.46229, 46231 /J2/2010/H&FWD dt.08/11/2010

External PG should not be equalized with regular MD(Hom) for any purpose because of the following reasons:

- The external PG degree is an off campus course of 2 year which does not require formal institutionalized training.
- They had not availed any leave during the period of study.
- None of the Universities of Kerala has recognized or approved the external PG in Homoeopathy. This course was conducted by deemed universities of Maharsathra, Tamil Nadu etc.
- External MD is a course approved by the Central Council of Homoeopathy(CCH), but it does not mean that it is considered to be an *equivalent* course to regular MD and not mentioned as equal in a gazette

notification. Further, The CCH has discontinued the external PG degree course after protests from many quarters.

- Govt. of Kerala had appointed a commission in 2001 chaired by Honorable Pro Vice Chancellor of Kerala University Prof.S.Kevin on the matter of External PG course in homoeopathy. This commission submitted the report (copy attached) in 2003 which clearly stated that External MD cannot be equivalent to Regular MD and it cannot maintain the academic standard expected of a PG degree in medicine.
- According to Kerala Homoeopathic Medical College Service Rule 2001, Page 16, Note i (a), External PG is acceptable "provided three years class attendance is the minimum requirement of PG as in Kerala". But the current external MD is two year without attendance.

I hope it is very clear from the above statements why external PG should not be equalized with regular MD(Hom) for any purpose.

Yours Faithfully

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**Encl** : Copy of Kerala University PVC commission report