



## PRESS RELEASE

### **Minister Education, SAPM Health Assist PMC & IBCC to Ensure Expedited Equivalence for A Level Students**

**[Islamabad, 30<sup>th</sup> December 2020]:** The issue of 'O' & 'A' Level students whose results are due to be announced on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021 and require equivalence to be issued by IBCC before 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021, which is the last date to apply for admissions to medical colleges, was raised by the Pakistan Medical Commission with the Government of Pakistan and IBCC. To alleviate the concerns of the 'O' & 'A' Level students and provide maximum facility to them, the Federal Minister for Education Mr. Shafqat Mahmood and SAPM Health Dr. Faisal Sultan immediately requested IBCC to take urgent steps in consultation with the Pakistan Medical Commission to assist the students and ensure that they are able to apply for their medical college admissions.

An emergent meeting was held between Dr. Ghulam Ali Mallah (Secretary IBCC) and Muhammad Ali Raza (Vice President PMC) at PMC Head office on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2020 to address the issue of 'O' & 'A' Level students. The Secretary IBCC elaborated upon the recent approved policy of IBCC that provisional equivalence would be issued after verification of online results to facilitate 'O' & 'A' Level students for applying to Medical & Dental Colleges.

IBCC has announced an expedited special policy on the directions of the Federal Minister for Education, endorsed by Steering Committee of IBCC, to collect applications from students who appeared in 'O' & 'A' Level examination from **31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020**. Such students are required to submit their application through TCS, but they will also be accommodated through walk-in mode by observing the SOPs adopted to cope with the COVID-19 pandemic. The walk-in mode of service will be active till January 30, 2021.

The candidates will be required to submit original and attested copies of 'O' & 'A' Level certificates passed before November 2020 and Statement of Entry of November 2020 Examination Session. The candidates will also be required to submit an affidavit that in case of any alteration with the results or documents, IBCC reserves the right to take action in accordance with IBCC regulations.

After receipt of online results, IBCC will prepare provisional equivalence within three days which can be collected from IBCC (Head Office) Islamabad or its regional offices of



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Bahawalpur, Karachi, Lahore, Peshawar and Quetta. IBCC will also send the provisional equivalence by e-mail to the candidates to facilitate in timely admission process.