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Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
National Commission for Allied Healthcare Professions

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Date: - 09.01.2026

To,

The Chairperson,
National Testing Agency (NTA)
First Floor, NSIC-MDBP Building,
Okhla Industrial Estate,
New Delhi, Delhi 110020

Subject: Admission in Physiotherapy Under Graduate (UG) programmes i.e. Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B.PT) and Occupational Therapy Under Graduate (UG) programmes i.e. Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (B. OT) through NEET.

Ref: - NCAHP letter No Z-1011/2026/NCAHP(AHS)/UGC/FTS No. 8384323, dated 09.01.2026

Sir/Madam,

1. The undersigned is directed to refer to NCAHP letter No Z-1011/2026/NCAHP(AHS)/UGC/FTS No. 8384323, dated 9.01.2026 (copy enclosed), through which the category-wise degree and admission criteria for Allied and Healthcare programmes have been communicated to the University Grants Commission (UGC) to adopt with effect from the Academic Year 2026–27.
2. In the above referred letter, admission in two programmes, Physiotherapy Under Graduate (UG) programmes i.e. Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B.PT) and Occupational Therapy Under Graduate (UG) programmes i.e. Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (B. OT) under Categories 3 and 6 respectively of the Schedule of the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Act, 2021 shall be through National Eligibility Entrance Test (NEET). The detailed programme nomenclature and admission eligibility criteria in aforesaid programmes, as notified by NCAHP are enclosed herewith as Annexure -A.
3. In view of the above, the National Testing Agency (NTA) is requested to include the details of the two programmes (B.PT and B. OT) and the relevant information in the Information Bulletin for NEET (UG)–2026.
4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Encl: As Above

Yours faithfully,

(Rajender Singh Sidhu)
Under Secretary, NCAHP

Copy to: - For information and necessary actions pl.

1. Secretary, University Grant Commission

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Degree Nomenclature, Admission Eligibility Criteria and other details for Allied and Healthcare programmes from Academic Year 2026-27

Recognised Category No: 3

Recognised Category Name: **Physiotherapy Professional**

Profession	Degree Nomenclature	Program Duration	Annual/Semester	Admission Eligibility Criteria
Physiotherapy (ISCO Code-2264)	Under Graduate Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B.PT)	Five years (Four years +one year internship)	Annual	Basic Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidate must have passed Senior Secondary (10+2) or equivalent with Physics, Chemistry & Biology (or Botany & Zoology) with 50% aggregate with English pass. However, in respect of the candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, or Other Backward Classes (NCL), the minimum marks obtained in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology are taken together in the qualifying examination shall be 40% marks instead of 50% marks for Unreserved and General-EWS Candidates. In respect of PwBD/PwD candidates the minimum marks in the qualifying examination in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology (or Botany & Zoology) taken together shall be 40% instead of 50%. English pass required for all categories. • The candidate must have appeared in the National Eligibility Entrance Test (NEET) conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA) for the academic year of the admission. However, there shall be no minimum qualifying marks or cut-off percentile requirement for application for the admission. • Admission on the basis of NEET Merit/Marks (with no cut-off marks or cut-off percentile for application) of the academic year of the admission. • Disability / Physical Fitness criteria as per the curriculum Guidelines.



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Recognised Category No: 6

Recognised Category Name: **Occupational Therapist**

Profession	Degree Nomenclature	Program Duration	Annual/Semester	Admission Eligibility Criteria
Occupational Therapist (ISCO Code-2269)	Under Graduate Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (B.OT))	Five years (including one year internship)	Annual	<p>Basic Eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidate must have passed Senior Secondary (10+2) or equivalent with Physics, Chemistry & Biology (or Botany & Zoology) with 50% aggregate with English pass. However, in respect of the candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, or Other Backward Classes (NCL), the minimum marks obtained in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology are taken together in the qualifying examination shall be 40% marks instead of 50% marks for Unreserved and General-EWS Candidates. In respect of PwBD/PwD candidates the minimum marks in the qualifying examination in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology (or Botany & Zoology) taken together shall be 40% instead of 50%. English pass required for all categories. • The candidate must have appeared in the National Eligibility Entrance Test (NEET) conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA) for the academic year of the admission. However, there shall be no minimum qualifying marks or cut-off percentile requirement for application for the admission. • Admission on the basis of NEET Merit/Marks (with no cut-off marks or cut-off percentile for application) of the academic year of the admission.

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Common Criteria for admission:

1. For He/she has completed 17 years of age at the time of admission or will complete that age on or before 31 December of the year of his/her admission to the first year of the Undergraduate Allied and Healthcare Course.
2. Reservation policy for admission in diploma/under graduate/post graduate/PhD programs shall be as per the State/Centre Government norms. However, admission criteria norms of National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions (NCAHP) shall be adopted as prescribed.
3. Up to 10% seats shall be considered for lateral entry admission in Under Graduate program, wherever in respective program is permitted.
4. Medical fitness certificate is mandatory to submit and it is to be endorsed by Government medical officer.
5. Foreign students' admission process in Under Graduate(UG)/ Post Graduation(PG) / PhD:
 - i. Foreign national students intending to study UG/PG program in India, shall have to take equivalence certificate of eligibility certificate from respective State Allied and Healthcare Council.
 - ii. For Under Graduate/ Post Graduation/ PhD admission of foreign national students, merit list will be based on University Entrance Exam.
 - iii. If eligibility criteria of admission is NEET appeared then the foreign national student is require to appear in NEET.
 - iv. Verification of Valid Visa and valid Visa duration of foreign national students, to be verified by respective institution & University before enrolling students for program.
6. The admission criteria shall be updated by the Commission from time to time.
7. Admission process shall be conducted by State/Union Territory/University.

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