

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHAIRPERSON, AP STATE ALLIED AND
HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONS COUNCIL: AP: VIJAYAWADA.
PRESENT: Y. VENKATESWARA RAO, B.Sc., MPT.**

Proc. No:1768/E3/APSAHPC/2026-3

Date: 18-09-2026

Sub: - APSAHPC – Allied and Healthcare Professions – Diploma Level Entry – Non-permission for Respiratory and Optometry Professions by NCAHP – Discontinuation of admissions to Diploma in Optometry Technician and Diploma in Respiratory Therapy Technician from the Academic Year 2026-27 – Instructions to institutions – Orders – Issued.

- Ref: -
1. NCAHP Notice F. No. Z/58/2024-AHS-DOHFW DEPARTMENT, dated: 24.04.2025.
 2. NCAHP Notice F.N.Z-1011/2025/NCAHP(AHS)/RESPIRATORY, dated: 26.12.2025.
 3. Resolution of the Special Meeting of the Council Body held on 16.07.2026.
 4. Note orders of the Chairperson, APSAHPC dated: 18.09.2026.

ORDER:

As per the references 1st and 2nd cited above, the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions (NCAHP) has not permitted Diploma Level entry for the Respiratory and Optometry professions.

Accordingly, the Council Body, in its Special Meeting held on 16.07.2026, has passed a resolution to discontinue admissions to Diploma in Optometry Technician course (DOM) and Diploma in Respiratory Therapy Technician course (DREST) with effect from the Academic Year 2026-27.

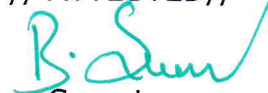
Hence, all the institutions imparting Diploma in Respiratory Technology and Diploma in Optometry Technician are hereby informed not to make any admissions into Diploma in Respiratory Therapy Technician and Diploma in Optometry Technician courses from the Academic Year 2026-27 onwards.

These orders are issued with the approval of the Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Allied and Healthcare Professions Council.

Sd/-
Chairperson
Y. Venkateswara Rao
APSAHP Council
Vijayawada.

// BY ORDER//

// ATTESTED//


Secretary
APSAHP Council
Vijayawada.

18/9/26

To

The Principals/Managements of all institutions imparting Diploma in Respiratory Technology and Diploma in Optometry.

Copy submitted to:

The Secretary to Government, Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati.