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The Goa Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Goa Act 1 of 2006), which has been passed by the Legislative Assembly of Goa on 31-8-2005, and assented to by the Governor of Goa on 7-1-2006, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Sharad G. Marathe, Under Secretary (Drafting).

Panaji, 12th January, 2006.

The Goa Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2005

(Goa Act 1 of 2006) [7-1-2006]

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ACT

to amend the Goa Medical Council Act, 1991 (Goa Act No. 5 of 1991).

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Goa in the Fifty-sixth year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Goa Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2005.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of section 8.*— In section 8 of the Goa Medical Council Act, 1991 (Goa Act 6 of 1991) (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act"), for sub-section (5), the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"(5) Six members including the President and the Vice-President shall form the quorum. When the required quorum is not present, the presiding authority shall adjourn the meeting by half an hour and the business which would have been brought before the original meeting had there been a quorum thereat, shall be brought before the adjourned meeting, and may be disposed off at such meeting or any subsequent adjournment thereof, whether there be a quorum present or not".

3. *Amendment of section 10.*— In section 10 of the principal Act,—

(i) the existing clause (e) shall be re-numbered as clause (j) thereof; and

(ii) after clause (d) and before clause (j) as so re-numbered, the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:—

"(e) to constitute Ethics-cum-Disciplinary Committee and such other Committees

concerned with the functioning of medical profession as may be necessary from time to time;

(f) to recognize, approve and certify courses/seminars organized by the Institutions/Organizations for continuing medical education. Furthermore, to organize continuing medical education programme by the Council;

(g) to act as screening body for assessing the input in courses or seminars with respect to continuing medical education;

(h) to suggest changes and amendments to this Act and the rules from time to time;

(i) to act suo motu based on complete satisfaction of the Council, to bring to the notice of the appropriate authority for strict implementation and enforcement of the present law and breach of ethics or law relating to practice of medicine".

4. Insertion of new section 12A.— After section 12 of the principal Act, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:—

"12A *Honorarium/Remuneration to the President and office bearers.*— The Council may prescribe suitable honorarium/ remuneration to the President and to such office bearers as it may deem necessary".

5. Amendment of section 16.— In section 16 of the principal Act,—

(i) in sub-section (3), for the words "a fee of rupees five hundred" the words "the prescribed fee" shall be substituted;

(ii) in sub-section (4), in clause (b), for the words "a fee of rupees two hundred" the words "the prescribed fee" shall be substituted.

6. Amendment of section 17.— In section 17 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2), for the words "a fee of five hundred rupees", the words "the prescribed fee" shall be substituted.

7. Amendment of section 19.— In section 19 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the words "a fee of two hundred rupees", the words "prescribed fee" shall be substituted.

8. Amendment of section 23.— In section 23 of the principal Act,—

(i) in clause (b), for the words "a fee of rupees fifty", the words "the prescribed fee" shall be substituted;

(ii) in clause (c), in the proviso, for the words "a fee of rupees two hundred", the words "the prescribed fee" shall be substituted.

9. Amendment of section 27.— For section 27 of the principal Act, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"27. *Penalty for falsely claiming to be registered and using titles, degrees, etc. without authority.*— Any person who (i) falsely represents that his name is entered in the register, and (ii) uses in combination with his name any title, degrees, letters or words reasonably calculated to suggest that his name is so entered or that he possesses any degree or diploma or any medical qualification without being entitled to do so under this act or any other State or Central Act or actually not having such qualifications, such act shall be a cognizable offence and shall be punishable, on conviction, with a fine which may extend upto Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand only) or imprisonment which may extend to two years or both".

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Government of Goa,

Dated: 12-1-2006. Law Department (Legal Affairs).