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**Report of the Visiting Committee, which visited
Meenakshi Medical College & Research
Institute on 16th July 2004 for its inclusion in
the ambit of Meenakshi Academy of Higher
Education & Research (Deemed University)**

Introduction

The Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research was conferred the Deemed to be University status on 31st March 2004 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development on the recommendations of the University Grants Commission. At that time only Meenakshi Ammal Dental College was the part of the University. The Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research sent a proposal to Ministry of Human Resource Development for inclusion of Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute in the ambit of Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research. The proposal was referred to the University Grants Commission by the Ministry of Human Resource Development. The Chairman, University Grants Commission constituted the following committee to visit the Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute and to give its recommendations regarding its inclusion in the ambit of the Meenakshi Academy Of Higher Education & Research.

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The committee visited the Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute on 16th July 2004. The committee inspected all the Departments of the Medical College and the attached Hospital. The committee had discussions with the Vice Chancellor, Dean, Faculty, Paramedical Staff, Students and Office Bearers of the Institution. The committee physically verified the availability of physical and academic infrastructure in the College. In particular Out-Patient Department, Casualty and Emergency Block, Laboratories including Blood Bank, X-ray and Radio-diagnostic facilities, Medical Records Section, Indoor Wards, ICU.(Both Medical & Surgical). Other Para Clinical departments like Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Pharmacology, Pathology, Microbiology, Forensic Medicine, Community Medicine, Animal House were visited. The committee members also visited Library, Lecture Theatres, Seminar Rooms, Hostels & Staff Quarters, Playground and Cafeteria. The committee was impressed with the existing facilities and the infrastructure developed within a short span of time. The committee noted that the Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute has got approval from the Medical Council of India for admitting the Second Batch of 100 Students of MBBS. The observations of the Committee are given below:

Physical Infrastructure

A. Buildings

The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute is situated in an area of 39.08 acres. There are separate buildings for Preclinical Block, Lecture Theatre Complex, Hospital, Central Kitchen, Central Medical Stores, Nurses Quarters, Animal House, Incinerator Room, Hostels, Staff Quarters, etc. The Hostels for Boys and Girls are separate and at the moment have adequate



capacity. The total built up area of the whole complex is 563718 Sq. ft. (52390 Sq. Mts.). This fulfills the minimum requirements laid down by the Medical Council of India.

B. Equipments

The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute have adequate essential equipments to run first and second year of MBBS. The list of major equipments costing more than 1 lakhs in various departments is enclosed as Annexure – I. The total cost of equipments is about Rs.549.12 Lakhs.

C. Library

The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute College has a well equipped library consisting of 3891 Books. It subscribes 71 Journals consisting of 37 Indian and 34 International Journals. The Library has four Internet Terminals to be used by the students for Internet access. The total value of Books and Journals is Rs. 23.68 Lakhs. The list of Journals subscribed by the College is enclosed as Annexure – II. Apart from the Central Library the departments have their own Departmental Libraries.

D. Hospital

The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute College at the moment has 350 bedded Hospital. It has all the major departments with adequate facilities for patient care and academic activities. This meets the specification laid down by Medical Council of India. The average OPD

attendance is about 500 per day. The bed occupancy is around 80 to 90 percent.

E. Academic Infrastructure

The College has the following teaching staff which fulfils the minimum requirement of Medical Council of India for first and second year MBBS.

Category of Post	Required as per MCI Norms	Staff in existence
Professor	16	18
Associate Professor	20	22
Assistant Professor	32	38
Tutor / Demonstrator / Registrar	49	53
Junior Resident	35	40

A list of teachers along with their qualifications is enclosed as Annexure – III.

The teaching staff seems to be motivated and have adequate research publications to their credit.

F. Students

The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute has an approved intake of 100 MBBS admissions. The first year batch of MBBS students consists of 38 Males and 62 Females. The second batch shall be admitted in the current year.

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The Students are admitted on the basis of Entrance Examination conducted by the College itself. The College has 85% general seats and 15% seats under management quota.

The Tuition fee per student is Rs. 1.30 Lakhs per annum. The College is affiliated to Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University for the first year batch of MBBS Students. These students will continue to get the Degree of Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University. However, the second year batch onwards would get the Degree of Meenakshi Academy Of Higher Education & Research.

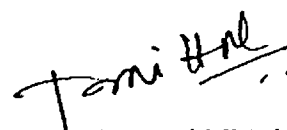
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee recommends as follows:

1. The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute College has adequate Administrative, Academic and Clinical infrastructure, Teaching faculty, Equipments and sufficient numbers of Patients to run first and second year MBBS Course as per the requirements of the Medical Council of India.
2. The Meenakshi Medical College & Research Institute may be brought under the ambit of Meenakshi Academy Of Higher Education & Research (Deemed University).


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