National Board of Examinations

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Notice

Fee & Stipend Guidelines for DNB & FNB Training - Regarding

Attention: All NBE Accredited Hospitals/Institutes/Medical Colleges & DNB/FNB Trainees

1. Fee Structure for DNB & FNB Training is as follows:

Heads	Charges* (in INR) per year
Tuition fees	50,000/-
Library fees	10,000/-
Annual Appraisal fees	10,000/-
Accommodation Charges	10,000/-

*Maximum Permissible Limit: Accredited institutions are at liberty to charge fees which is less than indicated under respective category. The fee can not be higher than this amount.

• Tuition fees

 The tuition fees shall cover the cost incurred for accreditation, institutional DNB office, infrastructure and HR expenses, guest lecture, thesis support, administrative support expenses.

• Library fees

 Institute can charge library fees if, the library facilities so provided have subscription to at least 4 journals out of which 2 have to be paid journals and one international journal and latest provisions of all types of textbooks in the specialty concerned.

Annual Appraisal fees

 The appraisal fees shall cover the arrangements made for the purpose of appraisal and examiner remuneration.

• Accommodation Charges

 Electricity and other consumables can be charged on actual basis by the hospital depending upon institutional policy.

2. General guidelines:

- 2.1. The fees shall be collected annually and has to be paid by the trainee at the start of each academic year.
- 2.2. In the 1st year the fees has to be paid on joining the hospital while the fee for 2nd
 & 3rd year has to be paid within 4 weeks of the start of the academic year.
- 2.3. In the 2nd & 3rd year hospital can charge fees at half yearly basis which shall be sole discretion of the hospital only.
- 2.4. In any circumstances the fee shall be non-refundable to the candidates, if he/she leaves DNB/FNB training after joining the programme. However the institute/hospital will have to transfer 10% of the fees collected from the candidate to NBE in such case on prorata basis within one month of candidate's leaving the programme.
- 2.5. The fee shall be paid by the candidate only through Demand Draft/ Cheque/ electronic transfer and under no circumstances by cash.
- 2.6. The accredited institutions cannot charge any other fees like capitation fees, security deposit, security bond, and caution bond in the form of cash, fixed deposit, bank guarantee, and agreement by any instrument whatsoever.
- 2.7. It is not mandatory or binding on the institutes to charge maximum fees or any part thereof from the trainee resident doctors.
- 2.8. The institutes concerned cannot charge any fees or an amount in any form, over and above the ceiling amounts prescribed above.

- 2.9. The institute shall prepare income and expenditure statement on an annual basis in respect of fee so collected from the DNB/FNB trainees and the expenditure so incurred on the item heads specified. This annual information shall be furnished to the NBE within 15 days from the year-end, i.e. by 15th January and 15th July for accreditation beginning January and July respectively in the prescribed format.
- 2.10. The institution shall arrange for annual appraisal of the DNB candidates as notified by the NBE. In the event the institution is found not complying with the Appraisal guidelines/ not conducting appraisals, the institute shall have to refund the appraisal fees (Rs. 10,000/- per annum) and further that penal action shall be taken by NBE against the institute.
- 2.11. The corpus collected from the candidates has to be spent for the benefit of DNB/FNB trainees as per the defined item heads only. The corpus cannot be reappropriated/utilized for any other kind of expenses.

3. Stipend guidelines for DNB & FNB Training:

- 3.1. Paying stipend to the DNB & FNB candidates is compulsory.
- 3.2. According to the NBE stipend policy, the hospital shall have to pay the DNB/FNB Candidate a basic stipend as follows or basic stipend according to state government policy (whichever is higher):

Year of DNB Training	Stipend (in INR) per month
First Year	25,000/-
Second Year	27,000/-
Third Year	29,000/-

Post MBBS DNB (Broad Specialty) Programme:

Post Diploma DNB (Broad Specialty) Programme:

Year of DNB Training	Stipend (in INR) per month
First Year	27,000/-
Second Year	29,000/-

DNB (Super Specialty) Programme:

Year of DNB Training	Stipend (in INR) per month
First Year	32,000/-
Second Year	34,000/-
Third Year	36,000/-

NB: 4th, 5th & 6th year trainees of a Direct 6 year DNB programme shall be paid stipend equal to 1st, 2nd & 3rd year trainees of a DNB super specialty programme respectively provided that they clear the DNB Part-I Examination.

FNB Programme:

Year of DNB Training	Stipend (in INR) per month
First Year	32,000/-
Second Year	34,000/-

4. This shall be effective in supersession of all circulars, public notices and clause 9 & 10 of the letter of accreditation issued previously in this regard.
