Centre Reduces NEET-SS Qualifying Percentile to 30%

The Union government reduced the NEET-SS qualifying percentile to 30% following the Supreme Court's suggestion to fill vacant super-speciality seats.

NEET-SS is the national-level entrance examination conducted for admission to DM, MCh, and DrNB Super Speciality courses across India.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- On **September 17, 2026**, the Union government agreed to the **Supreme Court**'s suggestion to reduce the NEET-SS qualifying percentile from 50% to 30%.
- The **Medical Counselling Committee** commenced a stray round from September 25, 2026, to fill **1,857 vacant seats**.
- The Centre agreed to restore **40 vacant in-service seats** back to the State of **Tamil Nadu**.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

Article 246 of the Constitution of India deals with the division of legislative powers between the Union and the States, including medical education under the Concurrent List.

The National Medical Commission (NMC) Act was enacted in **2019**, replacing the erstwhile Medical Council of India (MCI).

Entry 25 of the Concurrent List in the **Seventh Schedule** of the Constitution deals with education, including medical education.

Tamil Nadu Health System Reform Program (TNHSRP) is implemented with the financial support of the **World Bank**.

Entry 6 of the State List deals with public health and sanitation, hospitals, and dispensaries.

The **Medical Counselling Committee** (MCC) functions under the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) in the **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**.

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The Centre reduced the NEET-SS qualifying percentile to 30% and restored 40 in-service seats to Tamil Nadu.

Syllabus Relevance: Important for understanding Centre-State health policies, medical admissions, and constitutional provisions related to education.

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