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Tamil Nadu to regain 40 super speciality seats

Supreme Court lowers NEET-SS qualifying scores, allowing Tamil Nadu to reclaim vacant super speciality seats.

NEET-SS (National Eligibility cum Entrance Test - Super Speciality) is a national-level entrance examination for admission to DM/MCh and DNB Super Speciality courses.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- **Tamil Nadu** is set to regain **40** vacant **super speciality seats**.
- The **Supreme Court** lowered the **NEET-Super Speciality** qualifying scores.
- The qualifying score was reduced from the **50th percentile** to the **30th percentile**.
- The **Centre** informed the **Supreme Court** about this score reduction.
- **Tamil Nadu** had previously surrendered **151** unfilled **super speciality seats** for **All India Quota** counselling.
- Nearly **100** **in-service candidates** in **Tamil Nadu** are awaiting these seats.
- **New applications** for these seats are expected to be invited soon.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

NEET-SS is conducted by the **National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences** (**NBEMS**).

The **Supreme Court of India** is established under **Article 124** of the **Constitution**.

Article 141 states that the law declared by the **Supreme Court** is binding on all courts within the territory of India.

The **National Medical Commission** (**NMC**) replaced the **Medical Council of India** (**MCI**) in **2020** as the regulatory body for medical education.

The **All India Quota** (**AIQ**) for super speciality seats typically comprises **50%** of the total seats in **government medical colleges**.

Tamil Nadu has historically opposed **NEET**, citing concerns about its impact on **rural students** and **state reservation policies**.

REVISION FLASHCARD

Supreme Court lowered NEET-SS qualifying score from 50th to 30th percentile, benefiting Tamil Nadu with 40 additional super speciality seats.

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