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## **Press Release (Pakistan Medical & Dental Council)**

### **PM&DC SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTS MDCAT EXAM 2023 AT NATIONAL AND FOREIGN VENUES**

Pakistan Medical and Dental Council has managed to successfully conduct the MDCAT exam. MDCAT-2023 was a paper-based exam, held on a single day at National and international venues through provincial public admitting universities supervised by PM&DC.

President PM&DC Prof. Dr. Rizwan Taj stated that student's bright future is our top priority and PM&DC is working tirelessly to facilitate them.

He apprised that total 180534 Students from Pakistan appeared in the MDCAT exam. Moreover, a total registered 180151 candidates appeared in national venues whereas 382 candidates appeared at two International centers, i.e 185 candidates in Dubai (UAE) and 197 candidates appeared in Saudia Arabia (KSA).

He further elaborated that in the province of Punjab 66875, in Sindh 40528, in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa 46439, in Baluchistan 9230, in Gilgit 926, in Azad Jammu & Kashmir 4036 and in ICT 12118 candidates appeared in the exams.

He told that MDCAT examination was conducted in 31 cities all over Pakistan to facilitate maximum number of candidates to appear in the exam. Cities included Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Lahore, Multan, Faisalabad, Bahawalpur, Gujranwala, Sahiwal, Sialkot, DG Khan, Sargodha, Gujrat, Faisalabad, Karachi, Jamshoro, Dera Ismail Khan, Malakand, Nawabshah, Swat, Swabi, Peshawar, Mardan, Kohat, Bannu, Abbottabad, Quetta, Gilgit, Muzaffarabad, Haripur, Larkana, Mansehra, Mirpur. The President PM&DC, himself visited different examination centers in Islamabad to ensure satisfaction of the preparation of the examination.

He added that special assistance has also been provided to few candidates who required help (with special needs/handicap) to fill answer sheets. He said it is the right of all students to fulfill their wishes and our responsibility is to help them fulfil their dreams.

He also informed that to facilitate the candidates a simple examination marking pattern is kept and no negative marking will be done on wrong answers.

He said PM&DC staff has worked day and night to make all necessary arrangements to conduct MDCAT. He also said students have been provided best facility to appear in the exam.

He also appreciated the Vice Chancellors and examination heads of all public sector medical universities for doing a commendable job to ensure transparency in exams.

He wished all the students and parents good luck for future endeavors saying: "I know it's a exam of a complete family not just one student I know how much it's hard to become a doctor it's a profession of extreme talent and hard work I wish all these students add value to the medical profession and the country.