

NEET Supreme court verdict out: States can't hold separate medical entrance test

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The Supreme Court on Monday, May 9 said that the National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test (NEET) will be the only gateway for admissions to the medical and dental programme. No appeal from any state was approved for private medical entrance test.

The apex court on Monday, May 9, said, "Only NEET would enable students' to get admission to MBBS or BDS studies"

Students who sat for NEET Phase 1 to be allowed for NEET Phase 2:

The Supreme Court has also allowed those students who appeared in the first phase of NEET on May 1 to sit for the second phase on July 24. Over 6 lakh students' took the NEET Phase 1 exam.

Earlier, only fresh applicants were allowed to sit for the second phase of the NEET. These were students who had not appeared for the first phase of the examination.

The states that appealed for a separate medical entrance were Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Assam and a few others; their appeal is now however, dismissed. They had requested for the same citing "students' convenience" as the main reason.

These are some of the important dates for NEET:

- May 1: First phase of NEET
- July 24: Second phase of NEET
- August 17: Final result of students' shortlisted for medical courses (All India Pre-Medical/Dental Entrance Test)
- September 30: Last date to complete procedures for entrance in medical colleges

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