



Indian Medical Association Punjab



Branch Name _____

AGITATION BY IMA PUNJAB

Main Points

1. **Strongly condemn the imposition of The Punjab CEA 2020 by Ordinance.**
 - a. It is not needed, all intended purposes are being met by existing rules and regulations
 - b. Doctors of modern medicine are regulated by Punjab Medical Council and MCI
 - c. Hospital Buildings are regulated by local body laws
 - d. Punjab Medical Council , MCI , Consumer Courts , Civil /Criminal Courts are there to redress the grievances
 - e. Govt has failed to convince us about the actual benefits of the Act to the general public. There is no data from other states to prove that this helped in improving healthcare facilities
 - f. The suggestions given by IMA Punjab in Joint Committee meetings on CEA have been thrown into dustbin.
 - g. This act was imposed even before the draft of the Act was fully discussed in these meetings.
 - h. Government has gone back on its promise made by Congress before elections to regularize Nursing Homes/Hospitals on as and where basis in respect of local body buildings bye laws
2. **This Act will have following Adverse impacts:**
 - a. It will increase treatment cost manifolds as hospitals will have to invest in skilled man power and infrastructure hugely.
 - b. It will unleash "Inspector and Babu Raj" on to Private Healthcare and open doors for corrupt practices.
 - c. Doctor patient relations will erode further .
 - d. While no improvement in healthcare facilities is expected as none has happened in states where it is in operation.
3. **IMA Punjab condemns the massive medical education fee hike.**
 - a. This will deprive bright ,meritorious students from economically weaker sections of a chance to become doctors
 - b. This is a State Sponsored Murder of Merit. Only Rich and elite will become doctors .
 - c. Costly Medical education will have cascading effect on treatment costs which will rise proportionately.
4. **STP/ETP installation by small to medium hospitals** is not feasible due to financial and space constraints so these set ups should be exempted. It is also difficult now in Covid times to do so.

Demands:

1. **Roll back The Punjab CEA 2020**
2. **Roll back massive Fee Hike in Medical Education**
3. **Exempt Small to medium Hospitals from STP/ETPs and extend last date for others . till March 2121.**
4. **Regularize Hospitals on as and where basis as promised by the Ruling Party**
5. **Sir, we give you a kind notice that above mentioned demands are not met. This is our notice through you to govt. that we are on complete shutdown of health services in Punjab on 23rd of June, Tuesday.**

Dear Sir, Kindly go through the attached memorandum in details and submit it to Hon'ble CM under

Branch President

Branch Secretary