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PRESS RELEASE

An emergent meeting of Pakistan Medical Association (PMA) was held at PMA House, Karachi today. The meeting was attended by Dr. S.M. Qaisar Sajjad, Secretary General PMA, Dr. Qazi Muhammad Wasiq, Treasurer PMA Centre, Dr. Mirza Ali Azhar, President PMA Sindh, Dr. Sharif Hashmani, President PMA Karachi, Dr. Abdul Ghafoor Shoro General Secretary PMA Karachi, Dr. Ghulam Ali Qureshi, Dr. Ameer Solangi and other senior members of the association. This meeting was also attended through video link by Dr. Salma Aslam Kundi, President PMA Centre from Abbotabad, Dr. Hameedullah Khan, President-Elect PMA Centre, Dr. Akbar Ali Soomro, Joint Secretary PMA Centre from Larkana and Dr. Amir Saleem, Joint Secretary PMA Centre from Kasur.

The meeting took notice of the plight of the sufferer students of MDCAT Exam who have moved their applications for review of their results, are being charged hefty amount of Rs. 5030/- against each application. This is unjust to already over burdened students and their parents. These students have already paid Rs 6000 as MDCAT Examination fee. Result review of every applicant should be conducted free of cost. In this situation many poor students will not be able to apply for review. The meeting also criticized the decision of calling all such applicants to Islamabad from far flung areas of Pakistan. It will be more difficult and expensive for female students to reach Islamabad because they could not travel alone.

After discussing the flaws of the recent MDCAT Exam, the meeting unanimously rejected the results of the exam and demanded to reschedule it to hold it on a single day all over Pakistan.

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