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Nation Wide Quiz Contest for MBBS Students, Chhattisgarh Chapter "IAPSM World Health Day Quiz-2026"

Every year, 7th April is celebrated worldwide as World Health Day (WHD). Indian Association of Preventive & Social Medicine (IAPSM) national body had proposed to organize IAPSM World Health Day Quiz-2026 for MBBS students in collaboration with Community Medicine Department of all Medical Colleges of our country as a part of celebration of World Health Day.

The Head of the Community Medicine Department of all 12 Medical Colleges in the state were personally contacted and were conveyed upon this year's vision of celebrating World Health Day (WHD) by organizing College level quiz contest for undergraduate M.B.B.S students (Phase I to Phase IV) under aegis of Indian Association of Preventive and Social Medicine and IAPSM – Chhattisgarh State Chapter. Thereupon they were requested to appoint one faculty as Nodal officer from respective colleges with whom the state coordinator will be coordinating for successful conduction of the quiz contest.

At B.R.L.S.A.B.V.M. Medical College, Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh, under the leadership of Dean Dr. P.M. Luka, the Department of Community Medicine headed by Dr. Divya Sahu actively participated in the initiative. Dr. Praveen Thakur was appointed as the college nodal officer to coordinate with the state team and ensure smooth conduction of the quiz at the institutional level.

A WhatsApp group was formed on the 13th March 2026 where all the 12 colleges were added for further communication. The soft copy of posters and banners for IAPSM-WHD-2026 celebration publicity and announcement provided by national level platform along with guidelines and the rules for conducting the quiz were circulated the very day.

In the subsequent days, the college registration Google form and the Toolkit – Guidelines Part 1 were communicated in the group and over telephone individually. The colleges were asked to fill up the registration form by 16th March, 2026 as confirmation for participating in this event along with some other details required for further communications.

By the end of the deadline, 12 colleges came on board. The reporting formats and the encrypted questionnaires were sent through emails to respective mail IDs of the college nodal officers on 17th March. Any queries that arrived at any point of time since the inception were duly acknowledged and resolved on priority basis.

The quiz was conducted in three rounds; one being the elimination round held on 18th March 2026 from 02:30 P.M. to 03:00 P.M, Final round being held on 25th March 2026 and State round on 1st April, 2026.

In the elimination round, individual members of the team of three who have priorly enrolled by 16th March, 2026 had to attend the elimination question paper separately containing objective questions with no negative markings. At the end, the average total of all the three members were considered for selection.

The top four teams were selected for the Final round quiz competition based on the elimination round.

The report of the colleges regarding the elimination round in the form of Form 1, Form 2 and photos of respective colleges were received from the Nodal officers in the very evening itself. These were again rechecked and compiled at the state level and forwarded to the National coordinators.

An overwhelming number of 1,662 students from the 12 colleges of the state participated with lots of enthusiasm and excitement.

In preparation for the final round, all the prerequisites such as the editable soft copy of the certificates for the Participants, Achievers, and the Winners, the Toolkit-Guidelines Part 2 for conducting the final round as provided from the national level were communicated to all the colleges on 24th March and the encrypted questionnaires were sent through emails to respective mail IDs of the college nodal officers on .

The Final round was organized on 25th March, 2026 which consisted of 4 rounds namely:

Round one: The MCQ round

Round two: The Visual round

Round three: The One word round

Round four: The Rapid fire round

Where 4 teams selected in the elimination were competing among themselves for the winners title in their respective colleges.

The report of the colleges regarding the Final round in the form of Form 1, Form 2 and photos of respective colleges were received from the Nodal officers, rechecked and compiled at the state level and forwarded to the National coordinators.

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