



**Report of Graduate Program Self Review of
Subspecialty Fellowships/ Second
Fellowships/Supra Specialties Fellowship
Programs at
King Edward Medical University, Lahore.
For the Year (2024-25)**



King Edward Medical University Lahore is Public Sector University chartered by the Government of the Punjab in the year 2005. As per Quality Assurance Mechanism by the HEC, the following team of experts notified and conducted the Sub-Specialty Fellowship Program Self Review on **Wednesday, 23rd April, 2025:**

Self-Review Panel/Committee:

Prof. Ahsan Numan, Chairman Dept. / Professor of Neurology / Chairman DPCC, KEMU, Lahore	(Internal Member)
Prof. Muhammad Mustehsin Bashir, Chairman Dept./ Professor of Plastic Surgery, King Edward Medical University, Lahore.	(Internal Member)
Prof. Dr. Nazish Imran, Professor of Child Psychiatry, King Edward Medical University, Lahore.	(Internal Member)
Mr. Asif Saeed Haider, Director Accreditation and Academic Quality Improvement Cell, University of Management & Technology (UMT), C-II, Johar Town, Lahore.	(External Member)
Mr. Farhan Qadir, Deputy Director QEC, King Edward Medical University, Lahore.	(Internal Member)

Following is the summary of programs, students and the faculty members for the evaluated sub-specialty fellowship programs:

Fellowship Programs	06
Fellowship Faculty	32
Fellowship Students	04

The detail of each program along with its status is mentioned below:

S. #	Discipline	Program	Students	Faculty PhD/ Fellowship	Status	Remarks
1.	Fellowship in Vitreo Retina	Fellowship (Level-IV)	0	9	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
2.	Fellowship in Paediatric Ophthalmology	Fellowship	0	10	OK	Meeting the minimum

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		(Level-IV)				requirement
3.	MS Orbit & Oculoplastic	Fellowship (Level-IV)	1	2	OK	1- Program should be accredited from PM&DC 2- NOC should be acquired from HEC.
4.	MD Paediatric Nephrology	Fellowship (Level-IV)	1	2	OK	1- Program should be accredited from PM&DC 2- NOC should be acquired from HEC. 3- Concerned Supervisor is not available
5.	MD Neonatology/ Neonatal Paediatrics	Fellowship (Level-IV)	1	4	OK	1- Program should be accredited from PM&DC 3-2. NOC should be acquired from HEC.
6.	MD Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	Fellowship (Level-IV)	1	5	OK	1- Program should be accredited from PM&DC. 4-2. NOC should be acquired from HEC.
Total=			4	32		

The University is advised to comply with the Review Panel's decisions, while considering the definitions of the status of program as mentioned below:

- a. **Halted:** The University should halt all the activities of the program, including conduction of classes, examination, thesis defense, award of degrees etc. until HEC/Program review team permits.

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- b. Further Intake Stopped:** The University should not admit any scholar in the program until HEC/Program review team permits. The program for enrolled student would run provided that other identified deficiencies are rectified.
- c. Ok:** The program is meeting the minimum requirements as per HEC criteria and it may be continued accordingly.

Further Intake Stopped: Prior to receiving accreditation from PM&DC and a NOC from HEC, no students will be admitted to MS Orbit & Oculoplastic, MD Paediatric Nephrology, Fellowship Neonatology/Neonatal Paediatrics, or MD Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

The committee unanimously determined that the remaining programs satisfy the HEC's minimal requirements and can proceed as such. (OK)

FINDINGS:


1. The MD (Neonatology/Neonatal Pediatrics), MD (Pediatric Nephrology), MD (Child & Adolescent Psychiatry), and MS (Orbit & Oculoplastic) subspecialty fellowships/second fellowships/supra specialties programs are not accredited by PM&DC. In addition to this, all these programs need to acquire NOC from HEC. Maximum durations of subspecialty programs are not defined in the KEMU regulations.
2. The regulation of sub-specialty program has not been revised since 2017.
3. Transcript format is not aligned with HEC guidelines.
4. Campus Management System (computerization) needs to be implemented to cover the complete student life cycle at KEMU.
5. Online tracking systems for meetings of DPCC, BOS, BOF, IRB, PEC, AS&RB, Academic Council, Syndicate, and Senate are not available for these programs.
6. The implementation of HEC graduate policy, 2023 in true spirit, is lacking in many areas of subspecialty fellowships/second fellowships/supra specialties programs at KEMU.

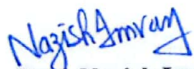
RECOMMENDATIONS:


1. The university must accredits subspecialty fellowships/second fellowships/supra specialties in MD (Neonatology/ Neonatal Paediatrics), MD (Pediatric Nephrology), MD (Child & Adolescent Psychiatry), and MS (Orbit & Oculoplastic) programs from PM&DC. As well as get NOC from HEC.
2. Maximum durations of subspecialty programs should be defined in regulations in line with HEC graduate policy, 2023. It is recommended that for 2 years program maximum 4 years may be allowed.
3. The regulation of sub-specialty program should be revised after 04 years. This revision will ensure that the curriculum remains relevant and aligned with the latest industry standards and practices, ultimately enhancing the skills and knowledge of the participants.
4. It is crucial for KEMU to align its transcript format with HEC guidelines to ensure compliance and facilitate smoother processes for graduates.




5. Campus Management System (computerization) must be implemented to cover the complete student life cycle at KEMU.
6. Online tracking systems for meetings of DPCC, BOS, BOF, IRB, PEC, AS&RB, Academic Council, Syndicate, and Senate should be implemented.
7. HEC graduate policy, 2023, should be implemented in true letter and spirit.


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I respectfully record my dissent regarding mention of halting further intake in second fellowship programs. It is important to note that the HEC has already been contacted multiple times and all required documentation for the issuance of the NOC has been submitted in previous years. The relevant details and communication trail are available with the Quality enhancement cell for reference.

Furthermore a recent visit by PMOC for accreditation purposes has already taken place & formal report of this visit is currently awaited. In view of these facts, I believe that further induction in the second fellowship programs can reasonably & justifiably continue, while awaiting final responses from the accrediting bodies.

Halting intake at this stage may hinder academic progression and continuing continuity. Every effort should be made for early response from HEC.

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