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The Department of Education, Government of Meghalaya, would like to bring to the notice of all citizens of Meghalaya, especially the Student Community to be wary and careful, while choosing admissions to various Colleges, Institutes, Universities operating within and outside the State.

Steps should be taken up for crosschecking and verifying with appropriate authorities to prevent fraud from occurring.

The Education Department, Government of Meghalaya is always open to queries from students/parents. Over the last few years, the different Directorates have inspected several Institutions operating in the city upon requests from students/Parents. However, it may not always be possible to identify and probe each and every institution operating in the state under various arrangements unless a request comes from a student/parent etc.

To be vigilant and alert cannot be the work of a single agency. A safe and secure neighbourhood is often the result of an informed community, so similarly a cautious and vigilant community can protect itself and its students from the nefarious design of fraud institutions.

It is highly recommended that Students check the history, background, recognition status from the authority/body that is responsible for granting accreditation/recognition for a particular stream. For e.g. all technical courses are under AICTE, all medical courses are recognized by MCI, all teaching courses are recognized by NCTE (B.Ed, D.El.Ed), all Universities are recognized by UGC, all law courses are recognized by BCI etc. It is advised that students/parents check the authenticity of any Institution under consideration through the websites of such Authorities.

The table** below indicates some of the major courses and the respective Regulatory Body.

Educational Sector	Regulatory Body	Website
Technical Education	AICTE	http://www.aicte-india.org
University & College Education	UGC	http://www.ugc.ac.in
Teacher Education	NCTE	http://ncte-india.org/ncte_new/
Boards of School Education	COBSE*	http://www.cobse.org
Medical Education	MCI	http://www.mciindia.org/
Law	BCI	http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/

^{*} COBSE is an voluntary association of all school boards in India

While Education Department remains committed to assist and help the students, in every part of their educational journey, at the same time the Department would again like to reiterate that the onus of checking & verifying the authenticity and genuineness of an Institution/School/College/University lies primarily with the Student (and his parents/guardians) first. The Students are requested to be cautious as Institutions are generally very aggressive with their advertisement campaign to lure unsuspecting targets.

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^{**} List is not exhaustive