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Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
Quality Assurance Division

Deputy Director (QAD)

DD/2025/QAD-NOC/HEC/STMU/MS-CN/ 148

Dated: November 12, 2025

Subject: No Objection Certificate to Launch Master of Science (MS) Clinical Nutrition at Shifa Tameer e Millat University, Islamabad

Reference your application for NOC received vide email dated 30.09.2025 on the subject matter.

2. I am pleased to inform that HEC has no objection to offer Master of Science (MS) in Clinical Nutrition, a Level 7 qualification at Shifa Tameer e Millat University, Islamabad with the following relevant faculty members and w.e.f Spring 2026 till Fall 2029:

S. No.	Name of Faculty & Designation	PhD Degree Title
1.	Dr. Saima Hamid, Professor & HoD	PhD (Medical Science)
2.	Dr. Zainab Bibi, Assistant Professor	PhD (Food & Nutrition)

3. The NOC is issued on the basis of information / documents provided by the University. The University shall be responsible for ensuring the faculty members' relevance to the subject degree program and maintaining **supervisor-student ratio** as per **clause 7.1.1** of **HEC Graduate Education Policy (GEP) 2023**. Furthermore, the University is advised to strictly comply with HEC policies prescribed for MS/MPhil/Ph.D. equivalent programs, including minimum standards for department, program duration, credit hours and semester guidelines as notified by HEC. The above faculty is considered by HEC under HEC partial relaxation policy vide letter No. 15-54/2019/Coord/QAD/HEC/897 dated 2nd October 2024 valid till **Fall 2029**.

4. Moreover, in case of a change in faculty; the University shall inform the Quality Assurance Division (QAD) immediately to update the status of NOC in the database. The Higher Education Commission (HEC) reserves the right to withdraw the NOC; if the University is unable to adhere to the minimum HEC criteria/guidelines. Details regarding **HEC GEP 2023** can be read via link at <https://www.hec.gov.pk/english/policies/Pages/GEP.aspx>

5. Issued with the approval of the Director General (QA) HEC.

(Rehan Jamil)

The Registrar

Shifa Tameer e Millat University
Pitras Bukhari Road, Sector H-8/4, Islamabad

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