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HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
Quality Assurance Division

Deputy Director (QAD)

DD/2026/QAD-NOC/HEC/STMU-ISBD/PhD-HPE/857

Dated: October 16, 2026

Subject: No Objection Certificate to Launch Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Health Professions Education (HPE) at Shifa Tameer-e-Millat University, Islamabad.

Reference your application for NOC received vide email dated 25-09-2026 on the subject matter.

2. I am pleased to inform that HEC has no objection to offer Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Health Professions Education (HPE), a Level 8 qualification Shifa Tameer-e-Millat University, Islamabad with the following relevant faculty members and **w.e.f Fall-2026**.

S.N.	Name of Faculty & Designation	PhD Degree Title
1.	Dr. Nusrat Fatima Rizvi, Professor	PhD (Educational Studies)
2.	Dr. Nasir Ayub Khan, Associate Professor	PhD (Health Professions Education)
3.	Dr. Saira Akhlaq, Assistant Professor	PhD (Health Education)

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 and supervision of graduate research by the university-approved supervisor as notified by HEC.

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
H-8, Islamabad

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