

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING



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Date: 5th February, 2025

Your Ref:

Principal,
Taifa Institute of Health and Allied Sciences,
P.O. Box 10800,
ARUSHA.

RE: GRANT OF FULL ACCREDITATION STATUS TO TAIFA INSTITUTE OF HEALTH AND ALLIED SCIENCES – ARUSHA

Please refer to your application for Accreditation with NACTVET and the Accreditation Evaluation exercise conducted on 22th November, 2024.

2. This letter serves to inform you that the Council during its 91st Meeting held on 30th January, 2025, Accredited Full Accreditation Status to Taifa Institute of Health and Allied Sciences – Arusha and recognised its three (03) Departments to offer training in programmes as indicated in Table 1.

Table 1: Recognised Departments, Programmes and Capacity

SN	Department	Programme	NTA Level	Capacity per NTA Level
1	Clinical Medicine	Clinical Medicine	4-6	As approved for Academic Year 2024/2025
2	Medical Laboratory Sciences	Medical Laboratory Sciences	4 – 6	As approved for Academic Year 2024/2025
3	Physiotherapy	Physiotherapy	4-6	As approved for Academic Year 2024/2025

3. Please be informed that, pursuant to Regulation 17 of the NACTVET (Accreditation and Recognition Regulations, 2001) the **Full Accreditation** granted by the Council is valid for a maximum period of **five (5) calendar years** only **from the date of grant (30**th **January, 2025).** In this regard, please note that your institution is required to continue improving on deficiencies observed by the Accreditation Evaluation Team. The observations and recommendations of the Team are enclosed herein for your reference and prompt action.

- 4. Please be informed also that, the grant of Full Accreditation will require your institution to continually observe NACTVET Academic Quality Standards and comply with Accreditation Requirements as stipulated under Regulation 8-(1) and (2) of the NACTVET (Accreditation and Recognition Regulations, 2001).
- 5. Please be informed further that an accredited institution is required to operate as per the following compulsory academic best practices:
- (a) Admissions: Student's admission into approved programmes must strictly comply with approved entry requirements. Ensure timely upload of names and Index Numbers of all selected students into NACTVET Online Admission System for verification and approval. All approved students should be enrolled accordingly. Institution should neither admit unapproved students nor admit students into unapproved programmes;
- (b) Recognition of Department: Pursuant to Regulation 29 (1) of the Accreditation and Recognition Regulations, 2001 "Each Institution shall be required by the Council to provide information on the Department to be recognized". For any new programme(s) that you intend to offer, your institution is required to apply for recognition of department(s) concerned in order to ascertain its/their capacity to offer the same;
- (c) Examinations and Assessment: Examinations and assessment initiatives should comply with the institutional examination regulations approved by NACTVET. Examination results approved by the institution's Governing Board/Council should be uploaded in the NACTVET Examination System and signed and stamped hardcopies be submitted to NACTVET before the beginning of the subsequent semester for verification of uploaded examination results;
- (d) Awards and Certification: All awards granted by the institution shall henceforth be issued with the approval of the Council as per Section 11 and 12 of the NACTVET Act, Cap. 129, and hence the design of corresponding certificates shall be approved by the Council;
- (e) Technical Teachers: Names and qualifications of all teaching staff (full-time and part-time) must be uploaded into NACTVET system and newly recruited teaching staff must apply for registration as technical teacher to ensure presence of adequately qualified academic staff for all programmes offered by the institution;

- (f) Fees Payable to the Council: As technical education and training provider, an institution is required to collect on behalf of NACTVET a Quality Assurance fee from each student as will be advised by the Council from time to time;
- (g) Curricula in Use: Since the Council is ultimately responsible for the award, an institution is required to deliver the NACTVET validated curricula. Any subsequent change or review made on any curriculum must be submitted to NACTVET; and for health-related curricula, the Ministry responsible for health for scrutiny and approval;
- (h) Institution's Integrity: The institution shall maintain integrity throughout its existence. If an institution is stopped from providing training, it shall be the responsibility of the same to determine students' welfare by transferring students to other approved institutions offering similar programmes and refunding unspent fee to affected students. In case the institution admitted students into unapproved programme(s), it shall be the responsibility of the institution to refund the affected students;
- (i) Monitoring and Evaluation: Pursuant to Section 5(1)(f) of the NACTVET Act, the Council is required to ensure that the academic quality standards are met and maintained throughout the duration of the delivery of the programme(s). NACTVET therefore has the mandate to monitor and/or evaluate the extent to which the above requirements are fulfilled and issue directives for corrective measures, where necessary;
- (j) Location of the Institution: Note that the Accreditation granted to your Institution is strictly bound to the location shown above. Any change of the location thereof MUST be communicated to NACTVET and the Council shall verify and approve new location; and
- (k) Annual Report: An institution shall submit Annual Report at the end of each academic year detailing self-assessment on how it complies with NACTVET Academic Standards and any other requirements as directed from time to time.
- 6. Please note that, with Full Accreditation Status your institution is expected to be responsive to the needs of the industry, professional bodies, the labour market, and the society in general. It is also privileged to advertise itself through media as NACTVET registered and accredited institution. You may also wish to establish new programmes and establish institutional

branches/centres. However, in each case, NACTVET procedures must be followed.

7. The Council congratulates you and your staff for this achievement and expects that you will strive towards improving and maintaining the **Academic Quality Standards**. In that respect, please be reminded that failure to observe the academic quality standards may lead to penalty, relegation or closure of your institution.

Looking forward to your continued cooperation.

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Encl: Observations and Recommendations of Accreditation Evaluation Team

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OBSERVATIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND DIRECTIVES OF THE COUNCIL

Name of the Institution: Taifa Institute of Health and Allied Sciences – Arusha

Date of Visit: 22th November, 2024.

Table 1: Main Observations/Comments by Accreditation Teams

SN	OBSERVATION	RECOMMENDATION		
1	In adequate Number of Physical Books for Physiotherapy Programmes	The team recommends the Institute to procure more current and relevant books for Physiotherapy Programmes		
2	Departments have no Almanac and Appropriate Administrative Structure of their own Instead they use Institutional Main Administrative structure	Each Department should have its Almanac &Should have an Appropriate Administrative Structure Instead of using the Institutional Main Administrative structure		

Please **note** that, Submission to NACTVET of the implementation Report on the observations made, is three (3) Months from the date of this letter.