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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

(Department of Health Research)

Government of India

Notification

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G.S.R (E)-- In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (f) of Section 27 of the Surrogacy (Regulation) ACT 2021 and as per section 7 of the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Act, 2021 the Central Government hereby makes the following rules for the 10 expert members to be nominated for the State ART and Surrogacy Board (Qualification, Experience and age) namely:-

1. Short title and commencement- (1) These rules may be called the State ART and Surrogacy Board (appointment of 10 expert members) nomination rules 2022

(2) These rules will come into force from the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. Qualification and Experience

(i) **Medical Geneticist"** means a person who possesses a degree or diploma or certificate in genetic Science in the field of Assisted Reproductive Techniques or has experience of not less than five years in such field after obtaining--(i) any one of the medical qualifications recognised under the NMC or (ii) a post-graduate degree in biological sciences;

(ii) **Embryologist"** means a person who possesses any post-graduate medical qualification or doctoral degree in the field of embryology or clinical embryology from a recognised university with not less than five years of clinical experience.

(iii) **Gynaecologists and obstetricians;** means a person who possesses a post-graduate qualification in gynaecology and obstetrics with experience in Assisted Reproductive Techniques for not less than 5 years.

(iv) **Social Scientists-** means a person with a graduate or post graduate qualification or a doctoral degree in social sciences with an experience of not less than 5 years in related areas

(v) **Representatives of women welfare organisations-** means an eminent person with a graduate or post graduate degree and working for the benefits of women with an experience of not less than 5 years

(vi) **Representatives from civil society working on women's health and child issues-** means an eminent person with a graduate or post graduate degree and working on women and child health issues with an experience of not less than 5 years.

3. Method of Recruitment and Age Limit- (1) The method of recruitment will be by nomination by the State Governments as they will not be full time members.

(2) The Members will not be more than 65 years at the time of nomination.

4. Power to Relax-Where the Central Government is of the opinion it is necessary or expedient to do so, it may by order and for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the Provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

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