



Quality Council of India

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Kind Attn: Mr. Srihari Kotela, CEO

Sub: QCI approval as Inspection Agency for Infrastructure projects.

Dear Sir,

Based on your application dated **13 February 2010** and subsequent assessment carried out at your office on **08 April 2010**, we are pleased to inform you that you have been approved as an inspection agency for Infrastructure projects for the scope sectors as mentioned below for a period of one year.

IAF scope	NACE code	Description
25-Electricity Supply	40.1	-production and distribution of electricity - Street Lighting etc.,
27-Water Supply	41.00	-collection, purification and distribution of water -sewerage
28-Construction	45.1	-Site preparation
	45.2	-Construction of roads, elevated highways, airport, railway bridge, tunnels -Construction of water projects like canals, dams, (water reserves) etc.
	45.3	-General construction of buildings, housing complex and civil engineering works
	45.4	-Building completion
31-Communications	64.2	Telecom--Installation, Maintenance and Service

The above approval is subject to witnessing the first inspection and your obtaining formal accreditation as per ISO 17020 from NABCB within one year.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,


(Mrutunjay Jena)
Deputy Director (NABCB)



अजय शंकर
AJAY SHANKAR

सचिव भारत सरकार
Secretary to Government of India



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Dear Shri Oommen,

One of the key concerns in infrastructure projects relates to assuring quality as part of the overall project management. Quality in project implementation can be ensured by prescribing periodic inspections of the project by accredited inspection bodies to verify that quality and other parameters prescribed by the government are being met with in its execution. The Government may also directly engage the accredited inspection bodies and receive reports from them for follow up action.


2. The Quality Council of India (QCI) is an autonomous body under the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion which is mandated to create a National Accreditation structure. As the national accreditation body, one of the accreditation schemes which QCI operates through its **National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB)** relates to **inspection bodies** as per applicable international standard, ISO 17020. An accredited inspection body implies that it is technically competent to carry out the inspection within the allotted scope under accreditation.


3. QCI could help in drafting a detailed system for inspection of infrastructure projects as per the requirements prescribed by the State Government. In this context it may be noted that the Government of Gujarat has recently announced a scheme on monitoring of quality outcome from government spending in the State on infrastructural projects, under which it has been prescribed that the inspection of project work shall be carried out only by NABCB (QCI) accredited inspection bodies.

4. Shri **G.J. Gyani, Secretary General, Quality Council of India**, (2nd Floor, Institution of Engineers Building, 2, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002 (Tel: +91-11-2337-8056/57, 9321, 9260; Fax: +91-11-23379621; email: sg@qcin.org) would be available for discussion or for any assistance.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Ajay Shankar)


23/01/2009

QUALITY COUNCIL OF INDIA (QCI)

QCI established in the year 1997 is governed by a Council comprising of 31 members.

- Council Chairman (Nominated by Prime Minister of India) and the members of council include Secretaries of Ministry of Commerce, Civil Supplies, Industries, Dept. of Science and Technology, Defence, Director General, Bureau of Standards/Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, STQC, President, FICCI/CII/ASSOCHAM and others.

QCI is also designated by the Central Govt to undertake a National Quality Campaign for promoting quality in all sectors.

QCI has established the National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) for accreditation of Certification and Inspection Bodies as per applicable International standards for

- Quality/Environmental/Food Safety Management System
- Product Certification Programs

The process of accreditation of certification bodies by NABCB comprises of (1) submission of Application (2) submission of quality system documentation by certification body (3) Review of documentation and submission of review report by NABCB (4) conducting assessment at the office of the certification body (5) Witnessing of the auditors of the certification Body at two different locations (6) Conducting Regular surveillance audits of the certification body.

NABCB is a member of IAF – MLA. Accordingly Certificates issued by Bodies accredited by NABCB are relied upon all over the World.

International Accreditation Forum- Multilateral Recognition Agreement (IAF-MLA)
(www.iaf.nu)

IAF is the World Association of Conformity Assessment Accreditation Bodies in the field of management systems, products, services, etc. Its primary function is to develop a single worldwide program of Conformity Assessment – “Once Certified – Accepted Everywhere”.

Since NABCB is a member of IAF, certificates issued by certification Bodies accredited by NABCB are recognized world wide.