

India's First Accreditation Scheme for Mobile Food Testing Laboratories

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India's first accreditation scheme for mobile food testing laboratories was launched by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL).

- The initiative aims to expand access to reliable, quality-assured and internationally benchmarked food testing services closer to communities.
- It establishes a framework for mobile food testing laboratories to provide reliable, quality-assured and internationally benchmarked testing services closer to communities.
- It is expected to strengthen food safety surveillance, improve access to quality testing, support faster regulatory interventions and enhance consumer confidence.
- NABL is a constituent board of the Quality Council of India (QCI), which is an autonomous body setup under Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.
- It provides accreditation services to conformity assessment bodies (laboratories) in India.
- In India, NABL accreditation is usually the precursor to various government/regulator/statutory body recognitions.



Reference

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