

## BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS

### Minutes

Name of the Committee	No. of meeting	Day	Date	Time	Venue
CASCO - National Mirror Committee (MSD14)	15th	Tuesday	12 March 2024	1130 hrs	Vimarsha Blue Room & WebEx Platform

**CHAIRPERSON:** Shri HJS Pasricha, Dy. Director General (Certification), BIS

**MEMBER SECRETARY:** Mohit Janoiya, Scientist-‘D’, BIS

The list of members present is enclosed as *Annexure - I*.

#### **Item 0 Welcome and opening remarks by the Chairperson**

The Chairperson, Shri HJS Pasricha extended a warm welcome to all the members present during the meeting. In the opening remarks, significance of the standardisation in the field of conformity assessment was emphasised. It was also highlighted that with consistent efforts and support from the committee members, there is also active contribution from India in the formulation of Standards at the ISO/CASCO working group meetings level. This active participation needs to be further enhanced so as to take into account the national viewpoint in the formulation of Standards on the topic of conformity assessment.

#### **Item 1 Actions taken on the minutes of previous meeting**

- 1.1 The committee noted the information provided regarding action taken on minutes of the 14th meeting.
- 1.2 Regarding the event for IS/ISO/IEC 17020 and product circularity/ digital product passport, planning for conduct of the programme is under process.
- 1.3 The publicity measures for IS/ISO/IEC 17043 and purchase of more than hundred copies by NABL was noted by the committee.
- 1.4 The matter regarding referring to the Indian Standard by NABL and NABCB in their accreditation certificates was emphasised. The national accreditation boards in the country should consider upgrading their present norms (like referring to IS/ISO/IEC 17025 and IS/ISO/IEC 17020 instead of ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17020) and contribute towards promotion of Indian Standards in the country.

**Item 2 Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting**

- 2.1 The committee took cognisance of the comments received from CII representative towards review of terms of reference (ToR) of the committee, and further agreed to formally confirm the proceedings of the last meeting.

**Item 3 Composition and terms of reference of the committee**

**3.1 Composition of the committee**

- 3.1.1 The committee reviewed its composition keeping in view the participation status of the members. The following organisations may be processed for removal of their membership in the committee.

- i) FICCI, Trade Policy Division (D/o Commerce), PNGRB, MSME-DI, FSSAI, NPC - Representative(s) have not attended the last three meetings and were not present in the current meeting as well.
- ii) ASSOCHAM - Representative(s) have not attended the last two meetings and were not present in the current meeting as well.

- 3.1.2 The nomination request received from Institution of Fire Engineers (India) to be followed up for obtaining requisite organisation details.

**3.2 Terms of Reference (ToR) of the committee**

The committee deliberated the draft ToR and agreed to incorporate the aspect for formulation of Indian Standards. The proposal may be taken forward for approval by the Division Council.

**3.3 Composition of working groups under the Committee**

The committee noted the information provided.

**3.4 Working groups meetings since previous NMC meeting**

The committee noted the information provided about meetings conducted w.r.t. national working groups for revision of ISO/IEC 17020 and ISO/IEC 17024.

The committee took note of the revision initiated for ISO/IEC 17067 Standard. As the revision includes enhancement of scope, concerned subject matter experts need to be engaged. The nomination of CEO-NABCB to be taken up for membership at the ISO working group level. The other nominations from QCI/NABCB and DPIIT to be included towards formation of national working group. The nomination of subject matter experts in national working group regarding other certification schemes like for processes, services, persons, management systems, inspection schemes and validation/verification programmes are to be sought from QCI/NABCB for engaging at national working group level.

#### **Item 4 CASCO standards for adoption as Indian Standards**

- 4.1 The committee noted the information regarding published ISO/CASCO documents and adopted Indian Standards.
- 4.2 The committee members took note of the publication of ISO/IEC TS 17021-15:2023 “*Conformity assessment requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 15: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of management systems for quality in healthcare organizations*”. This document may be processed further towards adoption as Indian Standard with wide circulation of 60 days. Additionally, any nationally accredited bodies involved in certification of healthcare organisation management also be explored during the wide circulation communication stage towards inviting their comments.

#### **Item 5 Withdrawal of CASCO documents adopted as Indian Standards**

The committee noted the information provided.

#### **Item 6 Participation in CASCO working group meetings**

The committee noted the information provided.

#### **Item 7 Documents for voting**

- 7.1 The committee noted the information provided.
- 7.2 The committee noted the information provided about voting documents under circulation.
  - i) Inputs received regarding systemic review of ISO/IEC 17065 may be re-circulated to committee members. The expert nomination received (if voted for revision/amendment) may also be taken forward for processing.

- ii) Inputs received regarding systemic review of ISO/IEC Guide 68 may be re-circulated to committee members. The expert nomination received (if voted for revision/amendment) may also be taken forward for processing.
- iii) Inputs received regarding change of document type were shared with the committee members. These inputs may be circulated to committee members for additional views (if any).
- iv) No inputs have been received for CD drafts of ISO 14019 Parts. These documents may be re-circulated and views from national working group formed on this subject matter to be taken into account for final voting.

**Item 8      Participation in ISO CASCO Policy decisions**

**8.1**      The committee noted the information provided.

**8.2**      The committee recommends active participation from India in the CASCO CPC and STAR scheduled in June 2024 and December 2024. The expert nomination of NMC Chair to be taken up for approval with the Division Council Chair.

**Item 9      CASCO Plenary meetings**

**9.1**      The committee noted the information provided. The experts from BIS and QCI/NABCB will attend this year's plenary meeting in virtual mode.

**Item 10     Clarification request on Standards**

The committee note the information about clarification requests received w.r.t. IS/ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015. The committee approved the recommendation for formation of a dedicated group to look into these clarification requests with more details. Nominations from QCI/NABCB and Management System Certification activity at BIS to be considered for this group.

**Item 11     Any other item for discussion**

The committee noted the information provided.

**Item 12     Date and place for the next meeting**

It was decided to hold the next CASCO-NMC meeting in consultation with the Chairperson. The frequency of meetings to be kept as atleast once in every six months.

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**Annexure - I**

List of members present for 15th CASCO - NMC meeting

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Members present</b>	<b>Designation and Organisation</b>
1.	Shri HJS Pasricha, <i>Chairperson</i>	Dy. Director General (Certification), BIS
2.	Shri Ajay Sharma	Joint Director, Quality Council of India/ National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (QCI/NABCB)
3.	Smt. Varsha Misra	Deputy Director, NABCB
4.	Smt. Anita Rani	Joint Director, National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories
5.	Shri Anupam Kaul	Strategic Advisor (Quality & Standards), Confederation of Indian Industry
6.	Dr. Arun Kumar	President, Central Council of Voluntary Consumer Activists (VCA) & Professional Consumer Advisor (PCA)
7.	Shri Ashutosh Agarwal	Director, Legal Metrology, D/o Consumer Affairs
8.	Shri Atul Gupta	Director, Standardization, Testing and Quality Control
9.	Shri Kamran Shaikh	Director, Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)
10.	Shri Priyaranjan	Project Engineer (S&L), BEE
11.	Shri Manoj Kumar Das	ADGM, RITES Ltd.
12.	Shri Rakesh Kumar	SDGM/QA, RITES Ltd.
13.	Shri Manoj Belgaonkar	General Manager, Siemens (India) Ltd.
14.	Shri Pratik Ashok Navale	Head, ITP, Federation of Indian Export Organisations
15.	Shri Shashi Nath Mishra	Chairperson, Association of Certification Bodies of India

Members and other officials from BIS:

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	Shri Chandan Bahl	Dy. Director General (MSC, SCM, IR&TIS)

2.	Shri Sachin Menon	Scientist-‘C’, Management System Certification Department (MSCD)
3.	Mohit Janoiya	Scientist-‘D’ (CMD-I) & Member Secretary

Regrets (Due to another meeting scheduled at the same date/time):

Sr. No.	Name	Designation and Organisation
1.	Shri Shashi Prakash Tripathi	Technical Officer, Export Inspection Council
2.	Dr. Ashish Kumar	Senior Consultant, I/c Technical Regulations (TR), Light Engineering Industry (LEI) and Project Development Cell (PDC) D/f Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
3.	Shri Goutam Mandal	Senior Principal Scientist and Deputy Quality Manager, CSIR - NPL
4.	Shri Anuj Bhatnagar	Head, MSD