

**LABORATORY POLICY AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

Ref: LPPD/23

31 Aug 2020

Subject: *Priority given to NTH.*

During the recent meeting with JS (CA), it was advised that BIS should reiterate the instructions regarding priority given to NTH labs for sending of samples from BIS certification schemes. Accordingly, the following is reiterated from our earlier note no.LPPD/23 dated 07 Jan 2016 which was issued on the instructions of DoCA:

*"All BIS labs and ROs/BOs are advised to prioritize forwarding of BIS samples for independent testing to BIS recognized laboratories as per the following criteria provided the required test facilities are not available in BIS labs"*

- i) NTH labs
- ii) Other Govt Labs
- iii) Labs other than i) & ii) above

3. Accordingly, all BIS offices may take care of these instructions while forwarding samples to labs other than BIS labs. Priority may be given to other labs on the basis of lower testing charges for any product.

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All ROs/BOs and BIS laboratories