NABCB secures international equivalence for personnel certification

India's national accreditation body, the National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB), has secured international equivalence for its accreditation program for personnel certification bodies in the annual meeting of the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation in Singapore on 20th June 2019.

NABCB signed the Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) of the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) based on the international standard, ISO/IEC 17024.

ISO/IEC 17024 specifies criteria for the operation of a Personnel Certification Bodies (also known as a certification body for persons).

Personnel Certification Bodies are the one which confirms the competence of an individual to perform a specified service (of electrician, welder etc.) or duty through an issue of a certificate.

With this recognition, NABCB hopes to facilitate the export of Indian services and skills into the world market by attesting that persons are certified following international standards by the certifying bodies.

This would support many professionals in India, especially those who do not have formal education or certificate program. Any person carrying ISO/IEC 17024 certificate with NABCB logo will be recognized internationally.