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NATIONAL ACCREDITATION BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION BODIES

A Constituent Board of Quality Council of India

National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) provides accreditation for:

- Management Systems Certification Bodies as per ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015
- Product Certification Bodies as per ISO/IEC 17065:2012
- Personnel Certification Bodies as per ISO/IEC 17024:2012
- Inspection Bodies as per ISO/IEC 17020:2012
- Validation & Verification Bodies as per ISO/IEC 17029:2019

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About NABCB

The **National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB)**, a constituent Board of the Quality Council of India (QCI), plays a central role in strengthening India's quality infrastructure by ensuring that conformity assessment bodies operate with competence, impartiality, and global credibility. NABCB provides accreditation to certification bodies, inspection bodies, and validation & verification bodies, evaluating them through a rigorous process based on internationally accepted standards and guidelines. These assessments include documentation review, on-site assessments, and ongoing surveillance to ensure independence and reliability.

NABCB's work directly contributes to enhancing trust in certified products, processes, and services, supporting regulators, industries, and consumers across various sectors. Its accreditation programs align with global best practices, enabling accredited bodies to demonstrate consistent performance and technical competence in the services they deliver.

Global Recognition Through MLAs/MRAs

NABCB is a signatory to multiple Multilateral and Mutual Recognition Arrangements under Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated [earlier to International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)] and APAC. These agreements:

- Enable international acceptance of certificates and reports issued by NABCB-Accredited bodies,
- Reduce the need for repeat inspection or certification abroad,
- Support Indian exporters by reducing technical barriers to trade, and
- Enhance global confidence in India's conformity assessment outcomes.

NABCB's International Engagements

NABCB represents India at major global Accreditation forums, including:

- Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated [earlier to International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)].
- Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC)

Participation in these bodies allows NABCB to:

- Contribute to global policy discussions,
- Stay aligned with evolving international standards, and
- Strengthen India's presence within the global quality ecosystem.

Accreditation Schemes

NABCB offers Accreditation under a wide portfolio of schemes, including:

- **Inspection Body**

NABCB grants accreditation to inspection bodies as per requirements of international standard ISO/IEC 17020:2012 “Conformity assessment – Requirements for the various types of bodies performing inspection”.

- **Management Systems**

NABCB grants accreditation to certification bodies as per requirements of international standard ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015 “Conformity Assessment-Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems”.

NABCB offers accreditation under various management systems schemes listed as follows:

- **Quality Management Systems (ISO 9001)**

- ISO/IEC 17021-3:2017 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 3: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of quality management systems.

- QMS for Medical Devices (ISO 13485)
- Educational Organizations Management Systems (ISO 21001)
- Primary Packaging Materials (ISO 15378)

- **Environmental Management Systems (ISO 14001)**

- ISO/IEC 17021-2:2016 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 2: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of environmental management systems.

- Sustainable Electronics Recycling International (SERI)- R2 Standards
Sustainable Electronics Recycling International (SERI) R2 Standard is the premier global benchmark for the responsible reuse, refurbishment, and recycling of electronic equipment. To ensure the highest level of integrity, accreditation is granted only to certification bodies operating under ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015 standards.

- **Occupational Health & Safety Management Systems (ISO 45001)**
 - ISO/IEC TS 17021-10:2018 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 10: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of occupational health and safety management systems.
- **Food Safety Management Systems (ISO 22000)**
 - ISO/TS 22003:2013 – Food safety management systems — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management systems.
 - FSSC 22000
 - FAMI-QS
- **Energy Management Systems (ISO 50001)**
 - ISO 50003:2021 (ISO 50003:2014) – Energy management systems — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of energy management systems.
- **Information Security Management Systems (ISO/IEC 27001)**
 - ISO/IEC 27006:2015 – Information technology — Security techniques — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of information security management systems.
- **Privacy Information Management Systems (ISO/IEC 27701)**
 - ISO/IEC 27701:2025 - Information security, cybersecurity and privacy protection — Privacy information management systems — Requirements and guidance
- **Facility Management Systems (ISO 41001)**
 - ISO/IEC TS 17021-11:2018 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 11: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of facility management (FM) management systems.
- **Aerospace Management Quality Management Systems**
 - NABCB offers AQMS accreditation in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021-1 and AS 9104-1 for the Certification Bodies providing certifications to the industry in the Aviation, Space & Defense sectors. NABCB provides accreditation under AQMS scheme for the following certification standards:
 - AS 9100: Quality Management Systems – Requirements for Aviation, space & Defense Organizations
 - AS 9110: Quality Management Systems – Requirements for Aviation Maintenance Organizations
 - AS 9120: Quality Management Systems- Requirements for Aviation, Space and Defense Distributors

- **Information Technology Service Management Systems (ISO/IEC 20000-1)**
 - ISO/IEC 20000-6:2017 – Information technology — Service management — Part 6: Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of service management systems.
- **Road Traffic Safety Management Systems (ISO 39001)**
 - ISO/IEC TS 17021-7:2014 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 7: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of road traffic safety management systems.
- **Trustworthy Digital Repository Management Systems (ISO 16363)**
 - ISO/IEC 17021-1 – “Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems” and ISO 16919 – “Space data and information transfer systems — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of candidate trustworthy digital repositories”.
- **Business Continuity Management Systems (ISO 22301)**
 - ISO/IEC TS 17021-6:2014 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 6: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of business continuity management systems.
- **Anti-Bribery Management Systems (ISO 37001)**
 - ISO/IEC TS 17021-9:2016 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 9: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of anti-bribery management systems.
- **Asset Management Systems (ISO 55001)**
 - ISO/IEC TS 17021-5:2014 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 5: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of asset management systems.
- **Artificial Intelligence Management Systems (ISO 42001)**
 - ISO/IEC 42006:2025 - Conformity assessment - Requirements for Bodies Providing Audit and Certification of Artificial Intelligence Management Systems
- **FSSC 24000**
 - FSSC 24000 Social Management System is a globally recognised certification scheme for demonstrating responsible social practices in organisations, based on the principles of ISO 26000 and aligned with internationally accepted labour and human rights conventions.

• Product Certification

NABCB provides accreditation to Product Certification Bodies as per requirements of International Standard ISO/IEC 17065:2012 “Conformity assessment – Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services”.

NABCB offers following Product Certification Schemes:

◦ Agraya (earlier known as GLOBALG.A.P)

- is a globally recognised farm assurance certification programme that promotes safe, sustainable, and responsible agricultural production across sectors such as crops, livestock, horticulture, and aquaculture.

◦ Global Seafood Alliance (GSA)

- The Global Seafood Alliance (GSA) is an international non-governmental organization dedicated to advocacy, education and leadership in responsible aquaculture. GSA engages stakeholders worldwide who are dedicated to advancing environmentally and socially responsible aquaculture practices.

◦ Brand Reputation through Compliance Global Standard (BRCGS)

- The Brand Reputation through Compliance Global Standard (BRCGS) is a one of the leading retail trade associations. It engages with government officials, policymakers, and regulators to represent the interests of the retail sector.

◦ International Featured Standards (IFS)

- International Featured Standard (IFS) develop globally recognised product safety and quality standards and programs for companies within the food and consumer goods supply chain.

◦ Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)

- PEFC, the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification, is a worldwide organisation promoting sustainable forest management through forest certification and labelling of forest-based products. Products with a PEFC claim and/or label offer assurances that the raw materials that have been used in their manufacture originate from sustainably managed forests and Trees outside Forests (TOF) areas, recycled and controlled sources.

◦ Network for Certification and Conservation of Forests (NCCF)

- The Network for Certification and Conservation of Forests, is a registered society of experts, professionals, and stakeholders of natural resources, involved in developing Forest Certification scheme of India-specific and globally benchmarked sustainability standards.

- **Voluntary Certification Scheme for AYUSH Products**
 - The Voluntary Certification Scheme for Ayush Products is a certification program that focuses on ensuring the quality, safety, and efficacy of Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy (collectively known as Ayush) products.
- **India Good Agricultural Practices (IndG.A.P.)**
 - Indian Good Agricultural Practices, is a certification scheme that focuses on promoting sustainable and safe agricultural practices in India. The IndG.A.P. provides a mechanism which gives direction to farms irrespective of size and resources to introduce quality in their production system to ensure food safety and hygiene thereby increasing acceptability of their produce by consumers and food processing industry.
- **IRF Trusted Mark**
 - The IRF Trusted Mark is a certification scheme designed to promote consumer confidence in retail businesses by ensuring high standards of customer-centric practices.
- **Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)**
 - Certification scheme for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) will ensure that the UAS meet applicable regulatory requirements and secure international acceptability. This product certification scheme is based on the international standard ISO/IEC 17067:2013 and covers the certification of UAS for the flying in visual line of sight, flying in day and night, and flying below 400 feet.
- **Voluntary Certification Scheme for Medicinal Plant Produce (VCSMPP)**
 - Voluntary Certification Scheme for Medicinal Plant Produce (VCSMPP) is a voluntary certification scheme for medicinal plants based on good agricultural and collection practices to enhance confidence in the quality of India's medicinal plant produce and make available good quality raw material to the AYUSH industry. The certification can be obtained for two levels i.e., Level 1 and Level 2 based on customer needs.
- **RMC Plant Certification Scheme (RMPCPS)**
 - RMC Plant Certification Scheme is an independent third-party voluntary certification system to assure quality in operations and processes of RMC Plants. The RMC Plants Certification Scheme has two options for certification, one being 'RMC Capability Certification' and other being 'RMC 9000+ Capability Certification', the later ensuring compliance to the requirements of ISO 9001 also in addition to the QCI Scheme requirements.

- **i-CAS Halal**

- The “India Conformity Assessment Scheme (i-CAS) – Halal” has been established by the Quality Council of India as a certification scheme for Halal products.

- **ICMED 13485 Plus**

- ICMED 13485 Plus is a voluntary Indian certification scheme for medical devices that verifies their quality, safety, and efficacy, integrating quality management systems with product testing against specified standards.

- **Better Cotton Initiative**

- The Better Cotton Initiative (BCI) is a global sustainability programme for cotton production, focused on improving environmental, social, and economic outcomes for cotton farmers and the cotton sector.

- **National Programme for Organic Production**

- The National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) under APEDA, Ministry of Commerce & Industries, Government of India regulatory framework for organic production, processing, certification, and labelling of organic products.

- **ISCC CORSIA Sustainable Aviation Fuel**

- The Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA), established by the International Civil Aviation Organization, is a global market-based measure to address CO₂ emissions from international aviation, under which Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) must comply with defined sustainability criteria and lifecycle greenhouse gas emission reduction thresholds.

- **Personnel certification**

NABCB offers accreditation to certification bodies as per requirements of international standard ISO/IEC 17024:2012 “Conformity assessment — General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons.” The standard aims at recognizing an individual’s competence to perform a task or job. The personnel certification body accredited under ISO/IEC 17024:2012 has the responsibility to ensure that only those persons who demonstrate competence in the defined scope are awarded certification. These bodies also take care of Impartiality, Confidentiality and Security requirements during certification process.

- **Validation and Verification**

NABCB grants accreditation to validation & verification bodies as per requirements of international standard ISO/IEC 17029:2019 “Conformity assessment — General principles and requirements for validation and verification bodies”.

NABCB offers accreditation under various validation & verification schemes listed as follows:

- **Greenhouse Gases (ISO 14065)**

- General principles and requirements for bodies validating and verifying environmental information. ISO 14065:2020 is a sector application of ISO/IEC 17029:2019, which contains general principles and requirements for the competence, consistent operation and impartiality of bodies performing validation/verification as conformity assessment activities.

- **Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)**

- The Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) is a global program initiated by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), a specialized agency of the United Nations. CORSIA aims to address and mitigate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from international aviation. CORSIA is a significant step towards reducing the environmental impact of international aviation and primarily relies on carbon offsetting as a means to compensate for the growth of international aviation emissions.

- **Verified Carbon Standard (VCS) - VERRA**

- The Verified Carbon Standard (VCS) is a most widely used greenhouse gas (GHG) administered by VERRA crediting and standard for GHG emission reduction and removal projects and programs. VCS projects have reduced or removed nearly one billion tons of carbon and other GHG emissions from the atmosphere. It uses as its core the requirements set out in ISO 14064- 2, ISO 14064-3, and ISO 14065.

- **Global Carbon Council (GCC)**

- The Global Carbon Council (GCC) is a voluntary carbon offsetting program that aims to assist the organisations reduce their carbon footprints, help sectoral economy to diversify by adopting low-carbon pathways and catalyze climate actions on ground. GCC aims to support the organisations in implementing GHG reduction projects and measures; establish transparent and simple certification processes in accordance with international protocol for operationalization of carbon offsetting program.

o **Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS)**

- The Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS), notified by the MOEFCC and administered by Bureau of Energy Efficiency, establishes a national framework for the generation, issuance, and trading of carbon credits to support greenhouse gas emission reduction and climate mitigation objectives. Accreditation under the Carbon Credit Trading Scheme forms a key component of the Indian Carbon Market, encompassing both Compliance Mechanism and Offset Mechanism, wherein validation and verification bodies operate in accordance with ISO/IEC 17029:2019(Conformity assessment — General principles and requirements for validation and verification bodies) and ISO 14065:2020 – (General principles and requirements for bodies validating and verifying environmental information) ensuring competent, impartial, and consistent validation and verification of emission reduction/removal/avoidance activities, credible carbon credit issuance, and integrity of the national carbon market mechanism.

Accreditation Benefits

- **Facilitating Global Trade**

Multilateral arrangements between national accreditation bodies support to make accreditation an internationally-recognized means of system of approval to demonstrate compliance against agreed standards and requirements. This helps in providing confidence and helps in development of robust framework on which to further develop and enhance Government-to-Government(G2G) bilateral and multilateral international trade agreements.

- **Regulators and Government Organizations**

Regulators and Government bodies require level of confidence in the products/services which they regulate/approve. Since accreditation assures technical competence, Regulators can rely on accreditation and prescribe Third-party NABCB accredited conformity assessment. Accreditation often helps to improve harmonization within national regulatory and legislative structures across the country. Some of the Regulator/Government bodies who rely on NABCB accreditation are PNGRB, FSSAI, DGCA, DGQA, BIS, BEE.

- **Competitive Edge**

NABCB accreditation demonstrates credible evidence of conformance with national and international standards and regulations which supports the accredited organization to differentiate business from its competitors.

- **Harmonization of processes to bridge standards and conformity assessment**

Implementation of NABCB accreditation supports conformity assessment bodies in harmonization of their processes and implementation of standards. It also helps in continual improvements.

- **Risk Management and Higher level of Quality Assurance**

Conformity assessment bodies are assessed according to international standards having requirement for carrying out Risk Analysis. This ensures in delivery of quality services by accredited bodies.

- **Continual Improvement**

NABCB accreditation supports in strengthening quality system as there are periodic assessments to ensure competence and system implementation. Accreditation helps in increase of choice and range of goods & services available in the market and ensures that these meet relevant standards of quality and safety.

- **Confidence and Trust**

Government, Industry and Consumers recognize the credibility & reliability in use of NABCB accredited conformity assessment services as it provides level of trust, assurance to the product/processes.

World Accreditation Day 2026 Webinar

On the occasion of World Accreditation Day (WAD) 2026, Mr. Anand Deep Gupta, Joint Director, NABCB, participated as a distinguished speaker in an online webinar organized by the Consultants Consortium of Chennai on 9 June 2026, with NABCB and the Association of Indian Inspection Bodies (AIIB) as supporting organizations.

During the webinar, Mr. Gupta delivered a presentation on "Measures for Enhancing Trust in Third-Party Conformity Assessment", presenting NABCB's perspective on the role of accreditation in ensuring competence, impartiality, and confidence in conformity assessment activities. He emphasized the importance of robust accreditation systems in strengthening trust among regulators, industry, and consumers, while supporting innovation, sustainability, and international acceptance of conformity assessment results.

The webinar formed part of the World Accreditation Day 2026 celebrations, centred on the theme "Accreditation: Empowering Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)" (or replace this with the official theme if the webinar followed a different one), and provided a valuable platform for knowledge sharing among conformity assessment professionals and stakeholders.

June Month Knowledge Series 2026

World Accreditation Day



Anand Deep Gupta
Joint Director
National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB)



- Senior accreditation professional with extensive experience in certification, inspection, and conformity assessment.
- Joint Director, NABCB.
- Expertise in accreditation, certification, inspection, and quality infrastructure.
- Supports competence, confidence, and international acceptance of accredited services.
- Represents NABCB in national and international accreditation initiatives and technical forums.
- Contributes to accreditation frameworks for exports, sustainability, and regulatory compliance.
- Regular speaker on accreditation, product certification, Global G.A.P., and conformity assessment.
- Engages with industry, regulators, exporters, and conformity assessment bodies to strengthen market trust and global recognition.

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Assessor Training on CCTS Methodologies and EU CBAM Regulations

The National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) conducted a two-day training programme for its assessors on “CCTS Methodologies and CBAM Regulations MRV – Practical Application through Sectoral Case Examples” on 15–16 June 2026 at the Indian Aviation Academy, New Delhi.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Mr. Ajay Kumar Sharma, Joint Director, NABCB, who highlighted the growing significance of the Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS) and the European Union’s Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), and the critical role of NABCB assessors in ensuring competence and credibility in validation, verification, and accreditation activities.

Designed as a continuation of NABCB's ongoing assessor development initiatives, the training focused on Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) requirements under CCTS and EU CBAM through practical sectoral case studies and real-world applications.

The programme covered key sectors including:

- * Cement Sector – MRV under CCTS and EU CBAM, system boundaries, baseline setting, emissions calculations, and practical case examples.
- * Aluminium Sector – CCTS and CBAM coverage with practical case examples.
- * Steel Sector – Sector-specific CBAM and CCTS requirements with practical case examples.
- * Energy Sector – Fuel and electricity-based emissions, monitoring plans, and offset mechanism case studies.

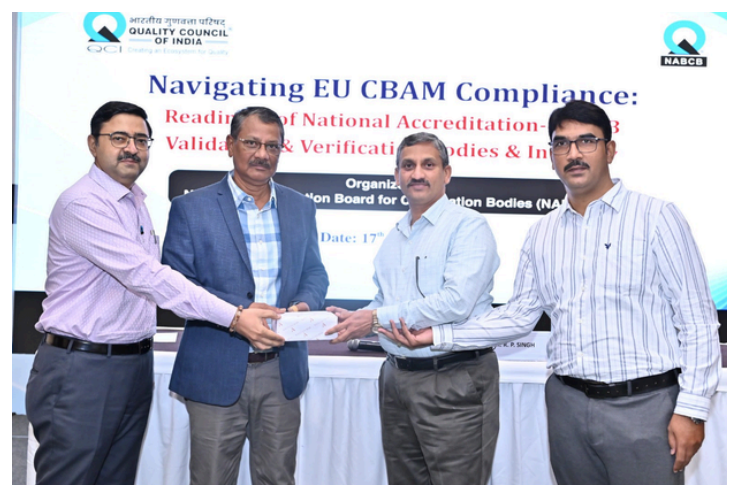
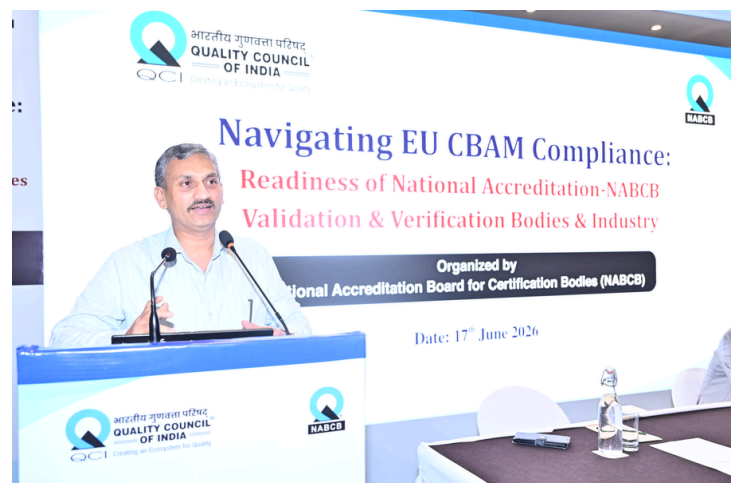
The interactive sessions, practical discussions, and case-based learning enhanced assessors' understanding of sector-specific methodologies and emerging climate-related regulatory requirements. The programme concluded with a summary of key learnings, takeaways, and discussions on the way forward.



Awareness Programme on the EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)

NABCB organized a one-day awareness programme titled "Navigating EU CBAM Compliance: Readiness of National Accreditation–NABCB, Validation & Verification Bodies & Industry" on 17 June 2026 in New Delhi.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Mr. N. Venkateswaran, CEO, NABCB, followed by a special address by Dr. R. P. Singh, Chairman, NABCB. The event brought together Validation & Verification Bodies (VVBs), industry representatives, accreditation stakeholders, and technical experts to discuss the evolving requirements of the European Union Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (EU CBAM).





A detailed session on the EU CBAM Regulation, its latest developments, and updates related to accreditation and validation-verification was delivered by Dr. K. M. Iyer, Technical Expert. The session provided participants with valuable insights into the regulatory framework, compliance requirements, and the role of accredited verification in supporting CBAM implementation.

The programme also featured sector-specific sessions addressing the implications of EU CBAM for key Indian industries:

- Steel Sector – Mr. Swaroop Banerjee, Vice President, Sustainability, JSW.
- Aluminium Sector – Mr. Debasish Ghosh, Former Vice President, Hindalco
- Cement Sector – Mr. Sujeet Kumar Singh, Former GM, JK Lakshmi Cement.

These sessions highlighted sector-specific challenges, compliance pathways, reporting requirements, timelines, and best practices for enhancing industry readiness under the EU CBAM framework.

An accreditation and assurance session further emphasized the role of Validation & Verification Bodies (VVBs), competence requirements, and NABCB accreditation procedures in supporting credible and transparent emissions reporting.

The interactive discussions and stakeholder engagement reinforced the importance of accreditation, validation, and independent verification in facilitating compliance with emerging climate-related trade regulations.



Assessor Training on Aerospace Quality Management System (AQMS)

The National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) conducted a two-day Training Programme on Aerospace Quality Management System (AQMS) on 18–19 June 2026 in New Delhi.

The programme commenced with a warm welcome and opening remarks by Mr. N. Venkateswaran, CEO, NABCB, who welcomed the participants and emphasized the importance of maintaining competence in the aerospace sector through robust accreditation and certification practices.

The training programme was attended by NABCB assessors, technical experts and officials and aimed to enhance their understanding of the Aerospace Quality Management System certification scheme and associated accreditation requirements.

The programme featured comprehensive sessions delivered by Dr. Mani Rathinam Rajamani, Manager - Corporate Manufacturing Engineering at TATA Advanced Systems and Mr. Deepak Garoo, Head - Supplier Quality, Asia Pacific at Pratt & Whitney covering IAQG and AQMS overview, AS 9104-1 and AS 9104-2 requirements, OASIS and ICOP certification scheme updates, AS 9100 Rev D requirements for aviation, space and defense organizations, AS 9101 audit requirements, CB auditor oversight audit forms, and interactive discussions on implementation and accreditation oversight.

The programme provided valuable insights into the aerospace certification framework, accreditation oversight mechanisms, audit requirements, and industry-specific certification practices. Interactive discussions.



APAC Annual Meeting 2026

NABCB participated in the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) Annual Meeting 2026, held from 20–27 June 2026 Bali, Indonesia. Hosted by the National Accreditation Body of Indonesia (KAN), the meeting brought together accreditation bodies, international organizations, and technical experts from across the Asia-Pacific region to discuss developments in accreditation and strengthen regional cooperation.

Representing NABCB, Mr. N. Venkateswaran, CEO, Mr. Ajay Kumar Sharma, Joint Director, and Mr. Anand Deep Gupta, Joint Director participated in various committee meetings, technical working groups, and discussions covering certification, validation and verification, inspection, digitalization, communications, and other accreditation-related topics.

The meeting provided a valuable platform for knowledge sharing, exchange of best practices, and collaboration among APAC members. NABCB's participation reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening international cooperation and contributing to the continual development and harmonization of accreditation practices across the Asia-Pacific region.



New Accreditations Granted in June 2026

S. NO	NAME OF THE CAB	SCHEME
1.	RIR CERTIFICATION PVT LTD	Food Safety Management System
2.	PRNS GLOBAL CERTIFICATIONS PRIVATE LIMITED	Quality Management System

Guidance To Use NABCB Accreditation Symbol and ILAC MRA Mark/ IAF MLA Mark

BCB 202, Feb 2023 Specifies the Conditions for Use of NABCB Accreditation Symbol and Other Claims of Accreditation, IAF MLA Mark and ILAC MRA Mark

The NABCB Accreditation Symbol represents credibility, competence, and international alignment. It comprises the NABCB symbol along with the unique accreditation number assigned to each accredited Conformity Assessment Body (CAB). The approved design specifications, including proportions, colour schemes, and usage format, are detailed in Appendix A (NABCB Symbol) and Appendix B (combined NABCB–IAF MLA / ILAC MRA Mark).

Accredited CABs, where permitted, may also use the Combined IAF MLA Mark (for certification and validation/verification bodies) or the ILAC MRA Mark (for inspection bodies). Use of these international marks shall comply with IAF ML 2 and ILAC R7 requirements and is subject to a formal agreement with NABCB, ensuring correct representation and alignment with international accreditation frameworks.

NABCB LOGO



NABCB SYMBOL



Who can Use the NABCB Accreditation Symbol:

MARK/SYMBOL	NABCB	NABCB- Accredited CABs	Client Organizations of Accredited CABs
NABCB Logo	✓ Permitted	✗ Not Permitted	✗ Not Permitted
NABCB Accreditation Symbol	✓ Permitted	✓ Permitted (with accreditation number and CAB logo)	✓ Permitted only if authorized and under CAB control
Combined IAF MLA / ILAC MRA Marks	✓ Permitted	✓ Permitted (as applicable and under agreement)	✗ Not Permitted

Control and Responsibility

ASPECT	REQUIREMENT
Responsibility	<i>The NABCB-accredited Conformity Assessment Body (CAB) is fully responsible for the correct and authorized use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol.</i>
Control of Client Use	<i>Any permitted use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol by client organizations shall be allowed only under the control and supervision of the NABCB-accredited CAB.</i>

ASPECT	REQUIREMENT
Scope Limitation	<i>The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall be used only for accredited scopes and locations covered under the CAB's accreditation.</i>
Prevention of Misuse	<i>The accredited CAB shall take reasonable actions to prevent misleading, incorrect, or unauthorized use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol by itself or its client organizations.</i>
Corrective Action	<i>In case of misuse, the accredited CAB shall ensure immediate corrective action, including withdrawal of authorization, where required.</i>
Non-Compliance	<i>Failure to control or prevent misuse of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol may result in corrective action, suspension, or withdrawal of accreditation.</i>

The accredited CAB can reproduce the NABCB Accreditation Symbol and the Combined IAF MLA or ILAC MRA Mark as applicable only in conjunction with its own logo / mark on its certificates, reports, stationery and literature associated with its accredited activities and scopes subject to the conditions specified in BCB-202.



Permitted representation of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol used in combination with the IAF MLA Mark or the ILAC MRA Mark by accredited CABs, as applicable

Prohibited Use of NABCB Accreditation Symbol

AREA / MEDIUM	RESTRICTION
Products and Product Packaging	<i>The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall not be used on products, product packaging, labels, or any material that may imply product approval.</i>
Management Systems Certification	<i>The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall not be used in any manner that suggests certification or approval of a product, process, or service.</i>
Vehicles	<i>The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall not be displayed on vehicles, except as part of a large publicity advertisement.</i>
Buildings and Flags	<i>The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall not be displayed on buildings or flags under any circumstances.</i>
Visiting Cards	<i>Use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol on visiting cards is not permitted.</i>
Misleading Representation	<i>The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall not be used in any way that misleads the reader about the accredited status of the CAB or its client organization.</i>

Use of IAF MLA/ILAC MRA Mark

MARK	PERMITTED USE CONDITIONS
IAF MLA Mark	<i>The IAF MLA Mark may be used only by NABCB-accredited Certification Bodies and Validation/Verification Bodies, in combination with the NABCB Accreditation Symbol, and strictly in accordance with the terms of the agreement signed with NABCB.</i>

ILAC MRA Mark	<i>The ILAC MRA Mark may be used only by NABCB-accredited Inspection Bodies, in combination with the NABCB Accreditation Symbol, and strictly in accordance with the agreement signed with NABCB.</i>
Use by Client Organizations	<i>Client organizations of NABCB-accredited CABs shall not use the IAF MLA Mark or the ILAC MRA Mark under any circumstances.</i>

Product vs Management System Certification

CERTIFICATION TYPE	SYMBOL USAGE RULE
Management Systems Certification	<i>Neither the Certification Body's Symbol nor the Accreditation Body's Symbol shall be used on products, packaging, or labels.</i>
Product Certification	<i>The Certification Body may authorize use of its own product conformity mark. Use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol on products is not permitted.</i>



Use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol on products or product packaging is NOT permitted.



Use of NABCB Accreditation Symbol, IAF MLA Mark, or ILAC MRA Mark on visiting cards is NOT permitted.

Content, Size and Reproduction of NABCB Accreditation Symbol and IAF MLA Mark or ILAC MRA Mark (As per Clause 5.3.1 of BCB-202)

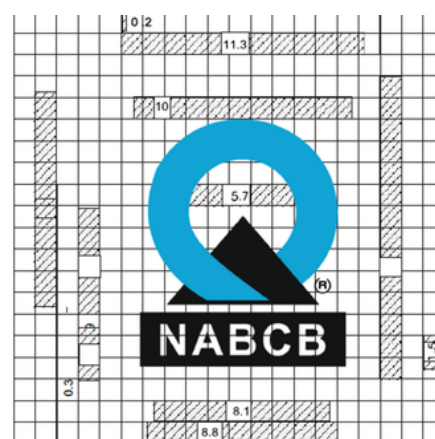
The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall be reproduced strictly in accordance with the approved design specifications provided in Appendix A. This includes the prescribed proportions, colour combinations, and overall appearance of the NABCB logo. As a general requirement, the NABCB logo shall not be reduced below a minimum size of 15 × 12 mm, to ensure clear visibility and legibility.

Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) shall reproduce the NABCB Accreditation Symbol along with the correct accreditation number, which shall be displayed below the NABCB logo. The accreditation number is an integral part of the symbol and shall always be shown correctly.

The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall not be reproduced by client organizations on its own. Any permitted use by a client organization shall be only in conjunction with the logo/mark of the NABCB-accredited CAB and under the control and authorization of the accredited CAB.

The NABCB Accreditation Symbol shall be printed only in the approved colour combinations or in the grey-black version, as specified in the applicable Appendix. No other colour variations or modifications are permitted.

Where applicable, the Combined IAF MLA Mark or ILAC MRA Mark may be used by accredited CABs only under a formal agreement with NABCB. These international marks shall be reproduced and used strictly in accordance with the latest versions of IAF ML 2 and ILAC R7, respectively, and the specific conditions stipulated in the agreement signed with NABCB.



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 and Outline - Black 100%.

Black & White: Circle - Black 40%
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Action on Suspension or Withdrawal

Upon suspension or withdrawal of accreditation, the accredited CAB shall immediately discontinue the use of the NABCB Accreditation Symbol, IAF MLA Mark, and ILAC MRA Mark on all certificates, stationery, and publicity material. Use may resume only after suspension is formally revoked.

Checking Authenticity of Certificates

Original vs Misleading Certificates

Not all certificates carry the same credibility. Before accepting a management system certificate, verify whether it is issued by an accredited Conformity Assessment Body (CAB) and backed by a recognized accreditation framework.

What to Check?

Original / Credible Certificate

- Issued by an accredited CAB
- Accreditation mark is valid and verifiable
- Scope, certificate number, validity, and issuing body are clearly mentioned
- Verification available through official channels

Misleading / Non-Credible Certificate

- Unclear or unverifiable accreditation claims
- Missing or misleading accreditation logos
- No proper certificate verification mechanism
- Incomplete or questionable certification details

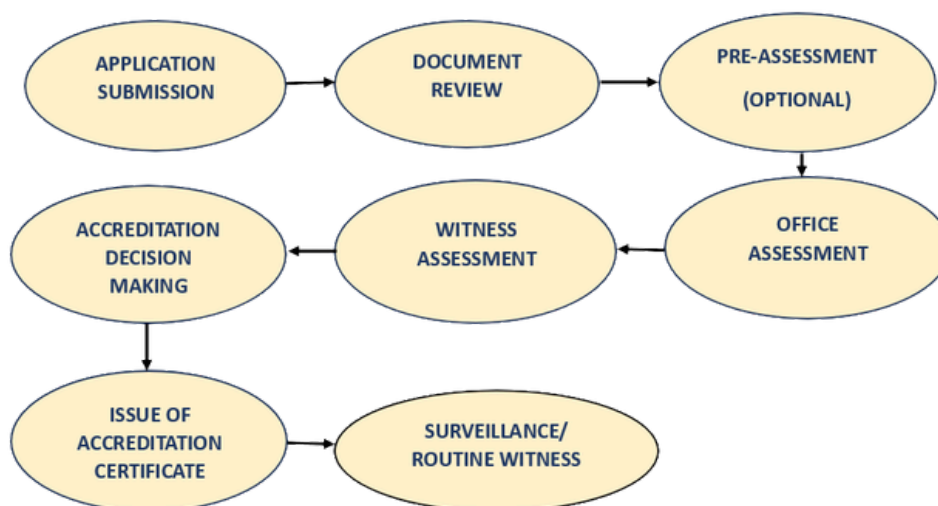


Accreditation Process

The NABCB accreditation process follows a structured, multi-stage evaluation framework designed to ensure that Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) operate competently, consistently, and impartially. The sequence of activities—from application to accreditation decision—ensures that each CAB is rigorously assessed before approval and continuously monitored throughout the Accreditation cycle.

The entire process is conducted through NABCB's online portal, providing a streamlined, transparent, and accessible interface for applicants to submit documents, track progress, and communicate with the accreditation team.

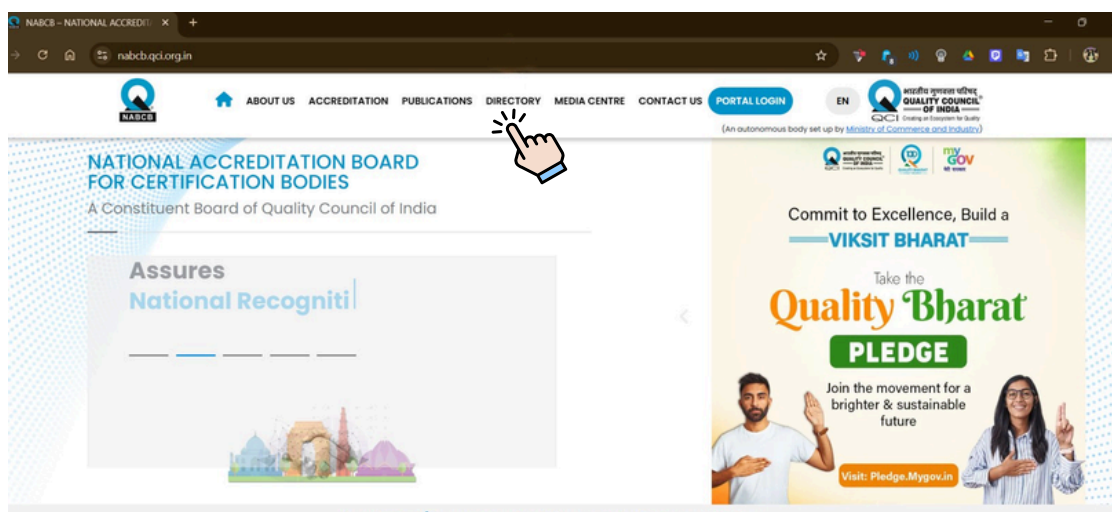
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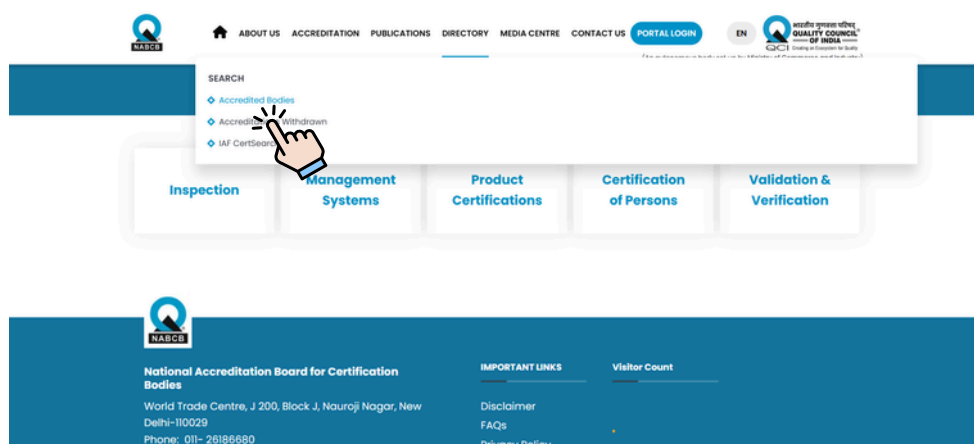
Flow chart of Accreditation Process

Searching For Accredited Conformity Assessment Body

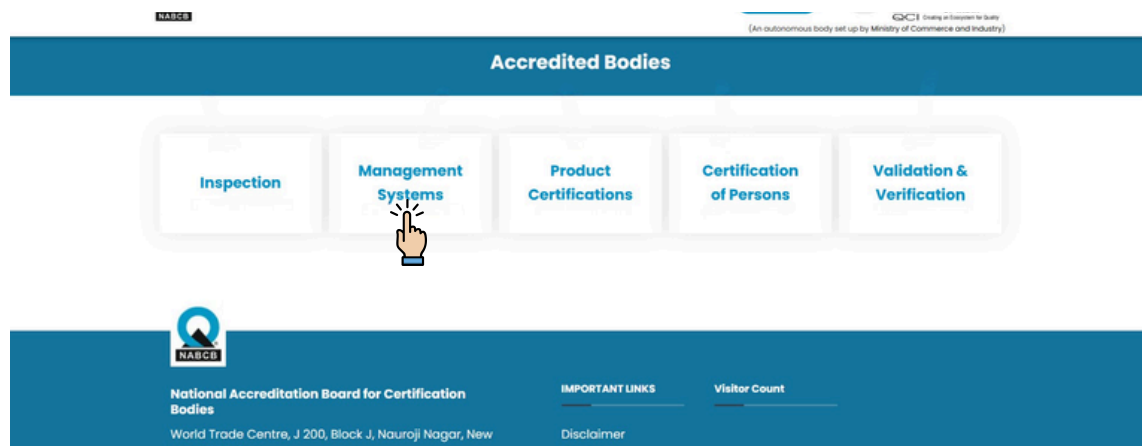
NABCB provides an Online **Directory** that allows users to easily search and verify Accredited Certification Bodies, Inspection Bodies, and Validation & Verification Bodies.



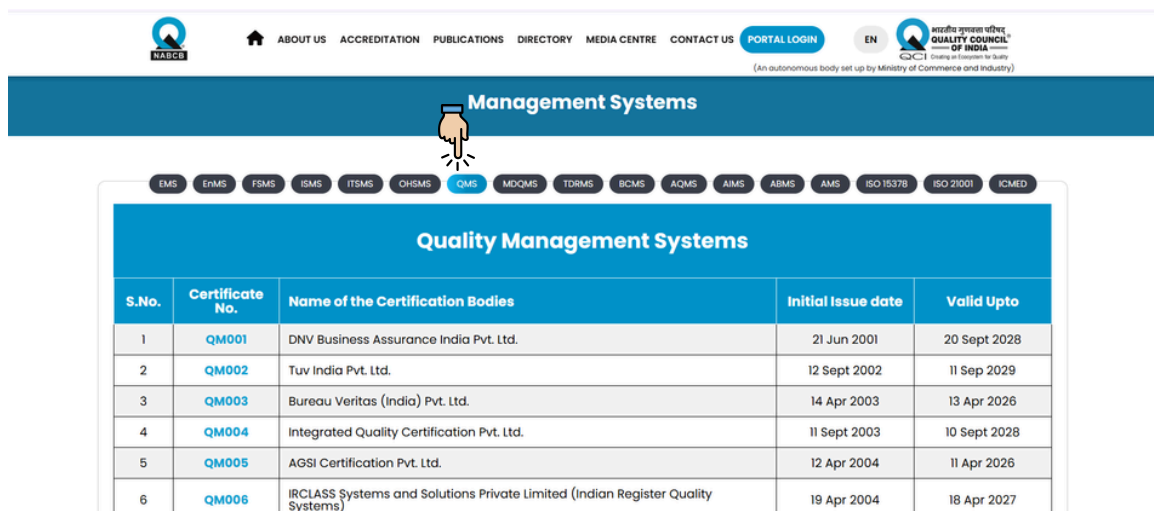
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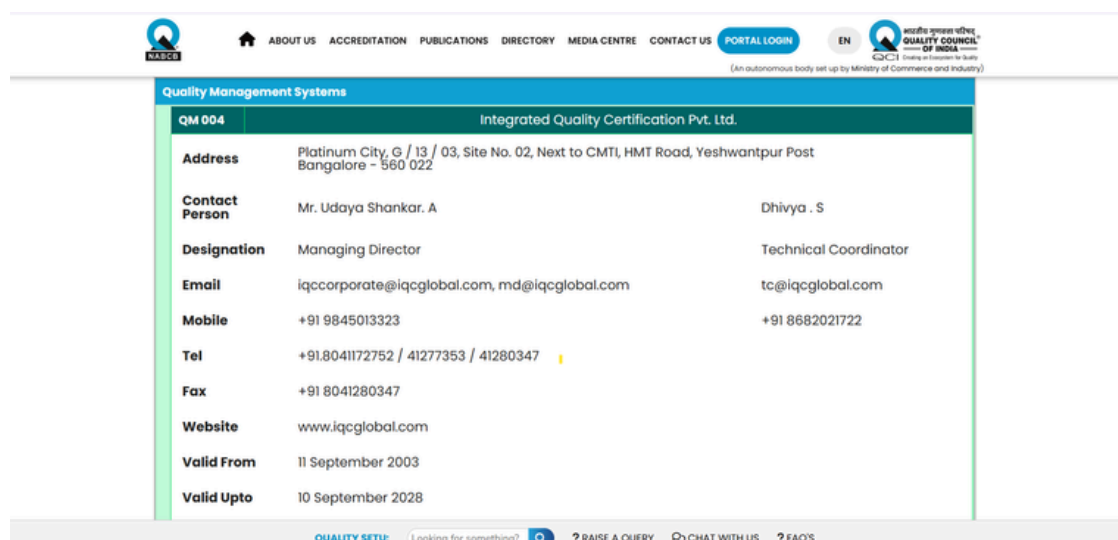
Click on Accredited Bodies



Select the Accredited Body(Management Systems)

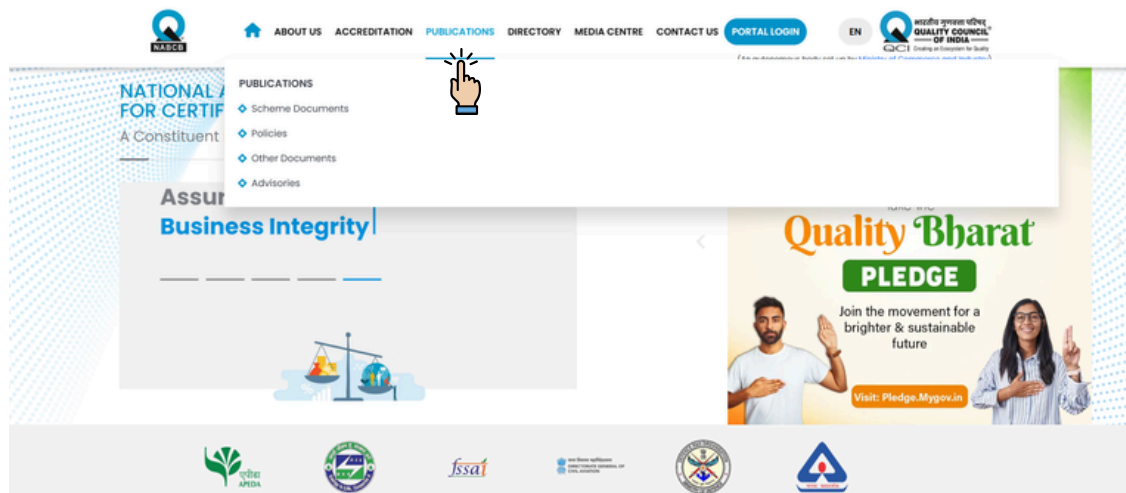


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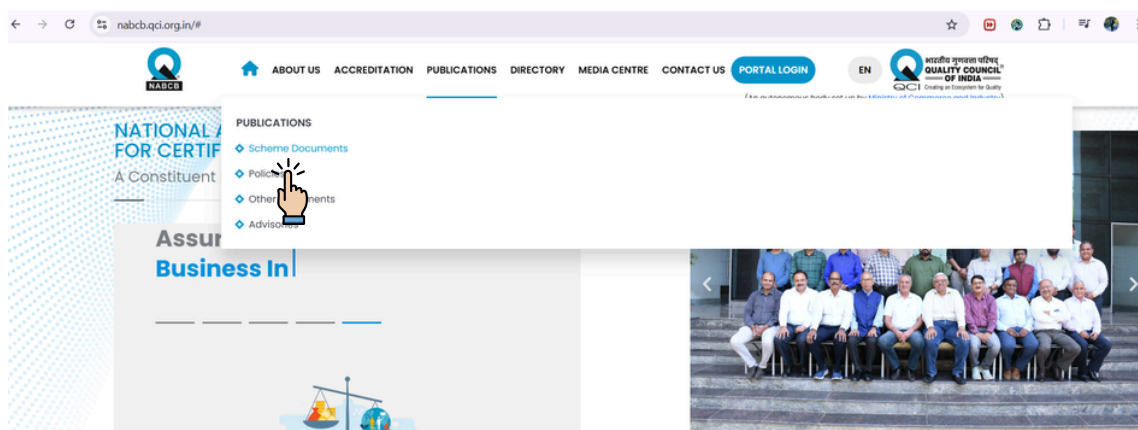


You are on Certificate (Integrated Quality Certifications)

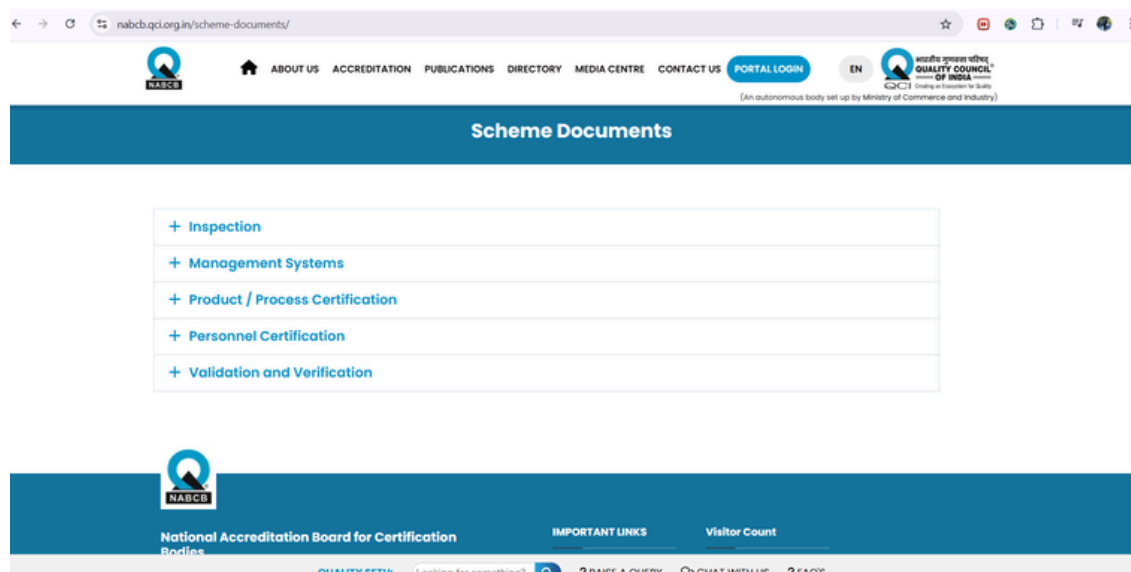
How to Access Scheme Document on the NABCB website:



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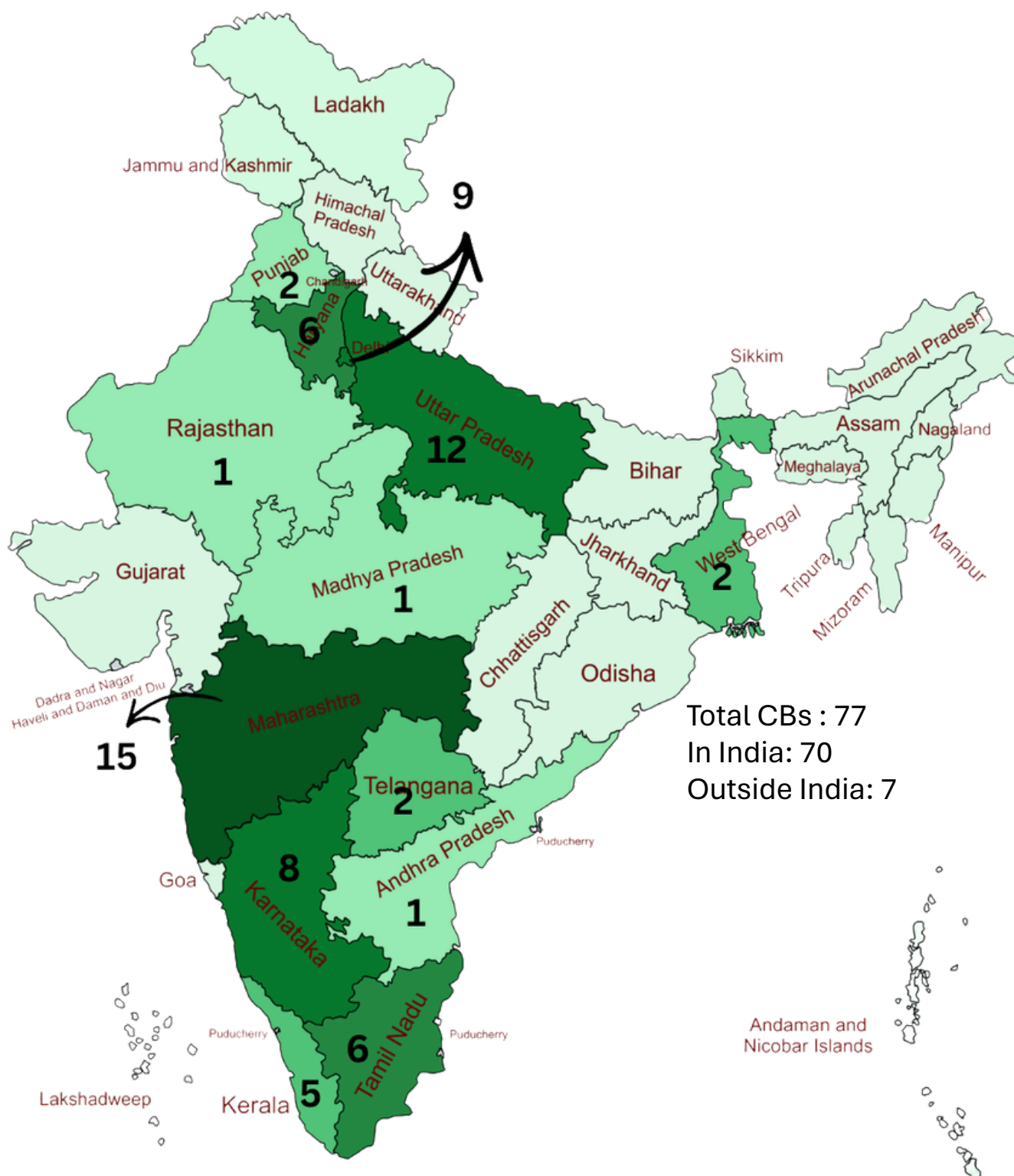


Here you can access scheme documents of any Conformity Assessment

Accredited Certification Bodies Across India

Geographical Presence of NABCB-Accredited Certification Bodies

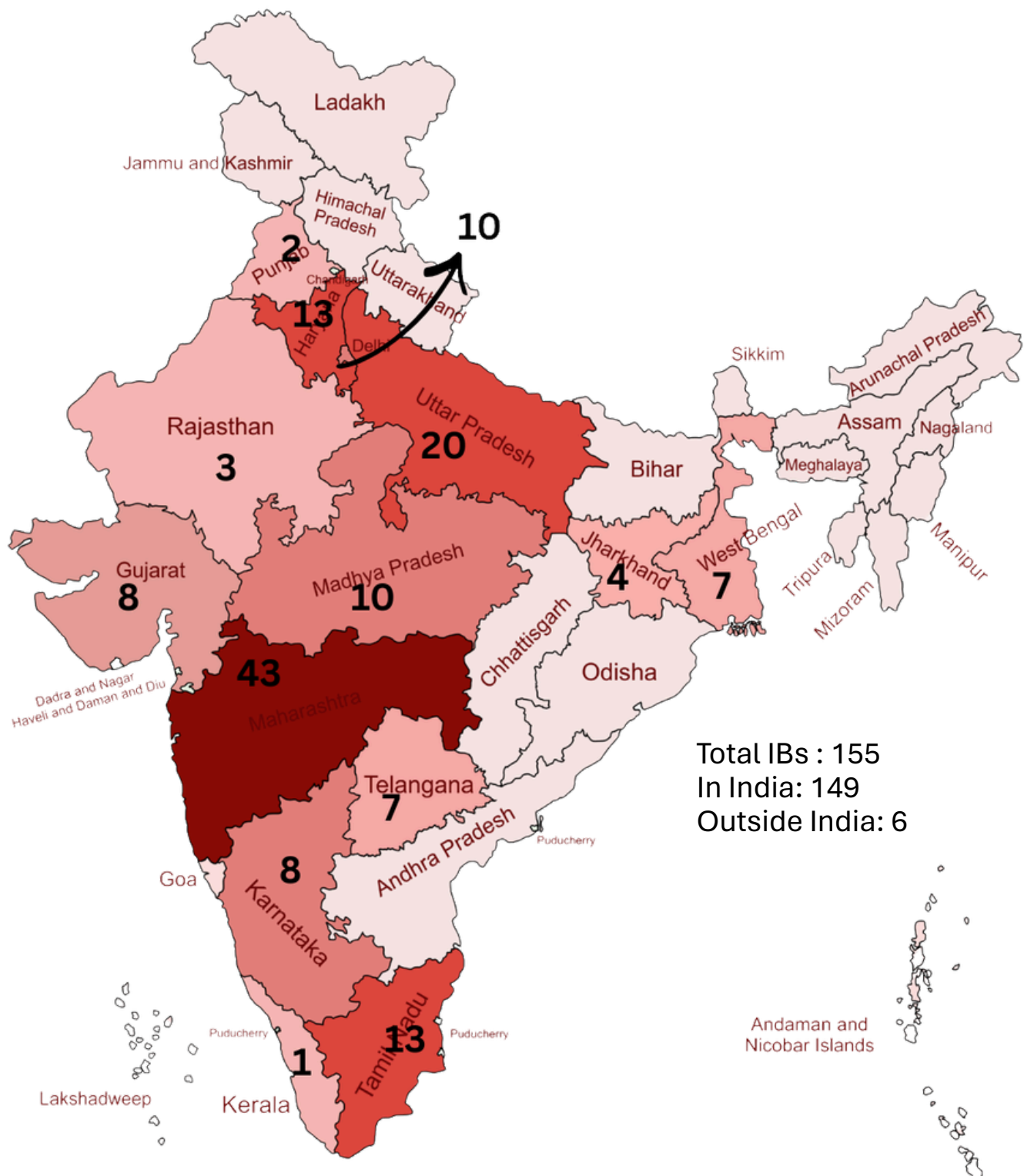
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Accredited Inspection Bodies Across India

Geographical Presence of NABCB-Accredited Inspection Bodies

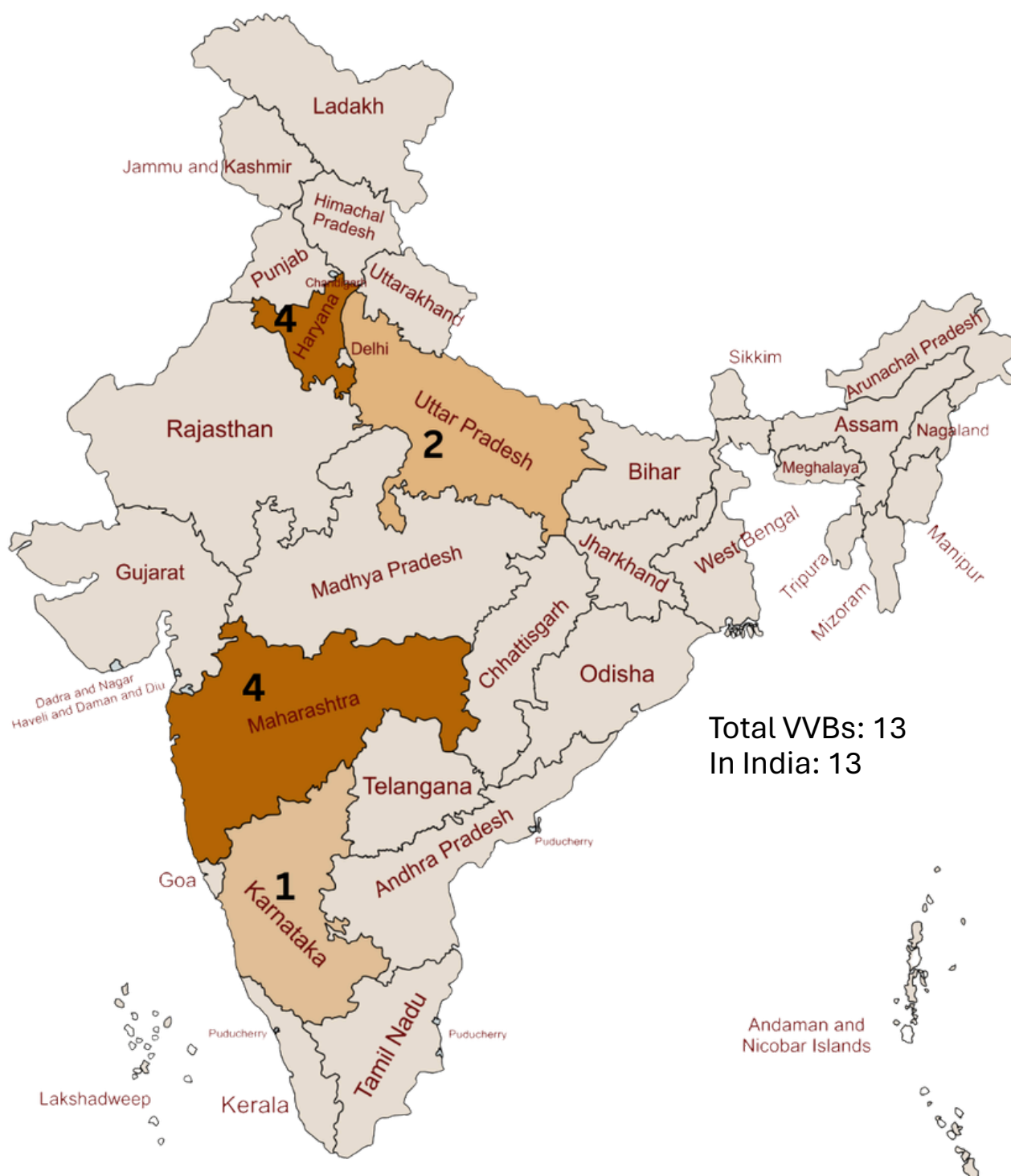
The map below presents the state-wise presence of NABCB-Accredited Inspection Bodies (IBs) across India, highlighting their distribution and operational reach.



Accredited Validation & Verification Bodies Across India

Geographical Presence of NABCB-Accredited Validation & Verification Bodies (VVBs)

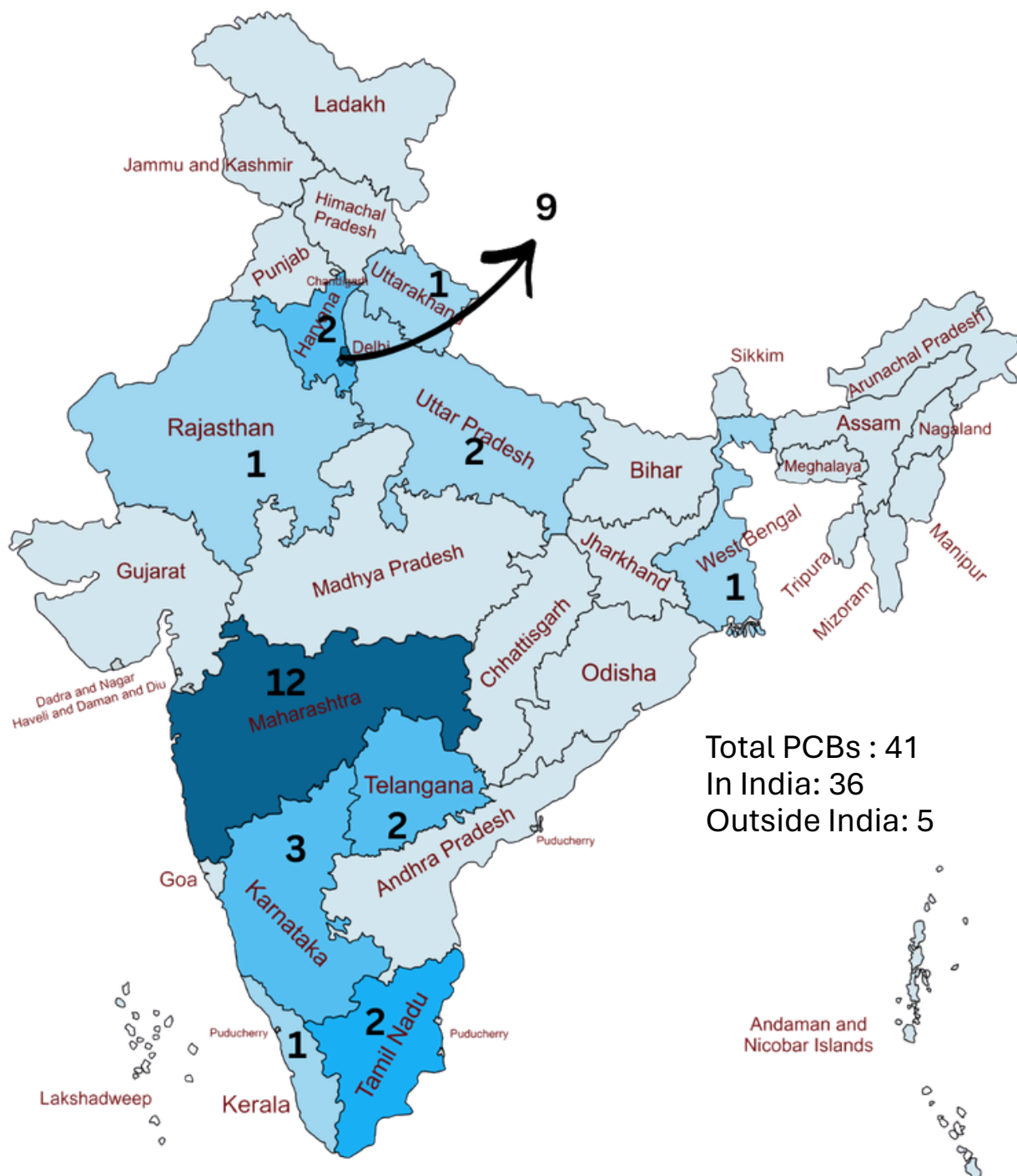
The map below displays the state-wise presence of NABCB-Accredited Validation and Verification Bodies (VVBs) across India.



Accredited Product Certification Bodies Across India

Geographical Presence of NABCB-Accredited Product Certification Bodies (PCB)

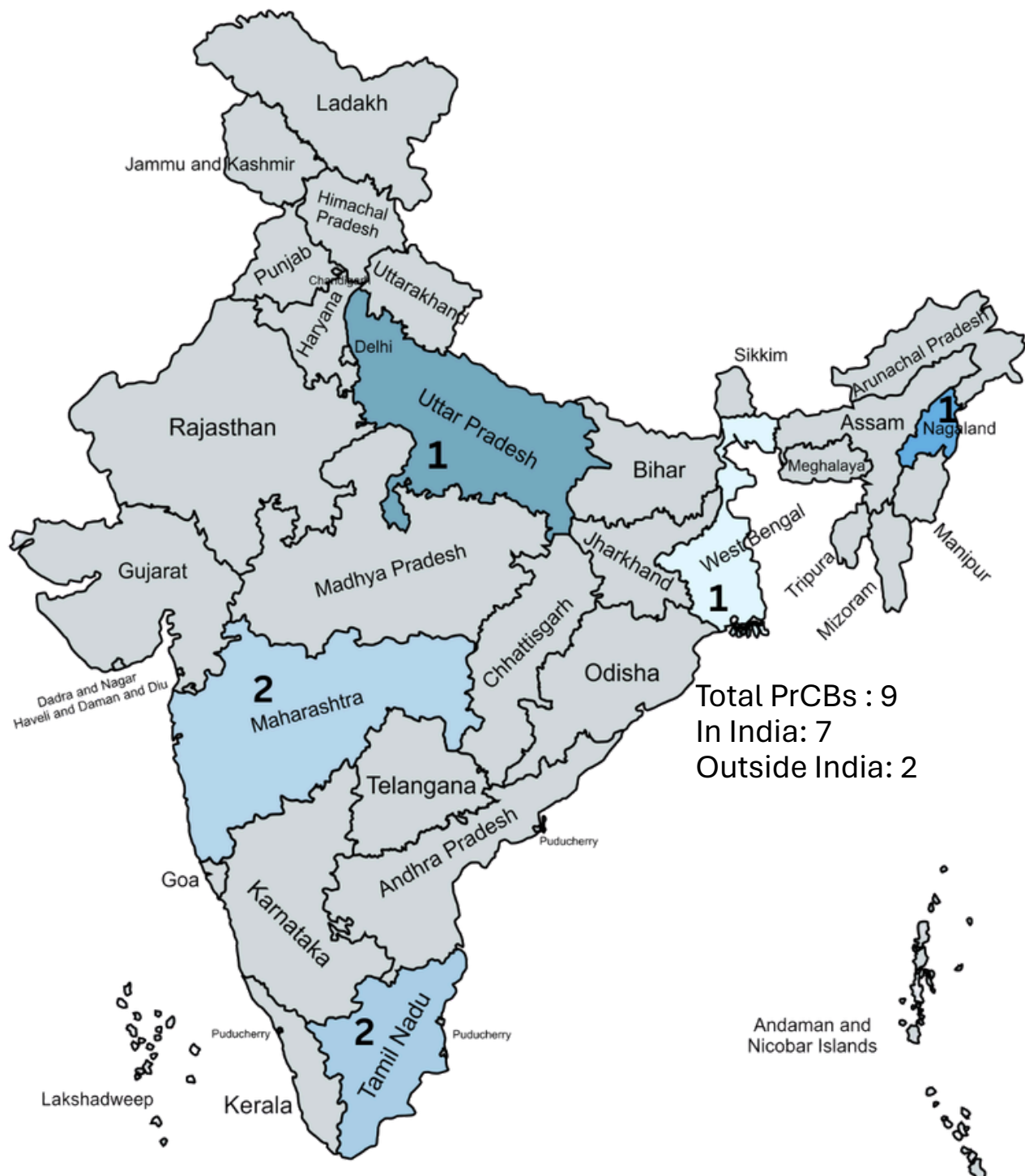
The map below displays the state-wise presence of NABCB-Accredited Product Certification Bodies (PCB) across India.



Accredited Personnel Certification Bodies Across India

Geographical Presence of NABCB-Accredited Personnel Certification Bodies (PrCB)

The map below displays the state-wise presence of NABCB-Accredited Personnel Certification Bodies (PrCB) across India.



Scheme in Spotlight: Key Accreditation Opportunities

FSSC 22000 Scheme

The FSSC 22000 Scheme represents the latest evolution of the globally recognized Food Safety Management System (FSMS) certification scheme. Certification Bodies accredited by NABCB under the FSSC 22000 Scheme have the opportunity to support organizations in meeting the updated scheme requirements while delivering internationally recognized food safety certification.

NABCB provides accreditation to Certification Bodies for the FSSC 22000 Scheme under ISO/IEC 17021-1 and the applicable FSSC Scheme Requirements. As the food industry continues to strengthen its focus on food safety, regulatory compliance, and supply chain assurance, accreditation for FSSC 22000 enables Certification Bodies to expand their accredited certification services across sectors including food manufacturing, feed production, packaging, storage and distribution, transport, catering, retail, and wholesale.

For More Information visit: <https://www.fssc.com/fssc-22000/>





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