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Government of India  
Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology  
STQC Directorate  
IT & e-Gov Division

**Date:** 18.12.2025

**To,**

- All STQC Testing Laboratories
- All CCTV Camera Manufacturers / Applicants
- Other Stakeholders concerned with CCTV Certification

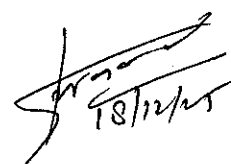
**Subject: Streamlining of Test & Evaluation Procedure for CCTV Cameras under BIS CRO and STQC IoTSCS PPO Schemes – reg.**

Sir/Madam,

1. I am directed to convey the following instructions for strict compliance by all STQC Testing Laboratories and concerned stakeholders involved in the testing, evaluation and certification of CCTV Cameras under the BIS Compulsory Registration Order (CRO) and the STQC IoT System Certification Scheme (IoTSCS PPO).
2. It is clarified that **validation of Test Reports is not a requirement under the BIS CRO Scheme**. However, where **PPO certification under the STQC IoTSCS Scheme is sought for the same CCTV model**, validation of the Test Report is mandatory as per the approved Scheme Criteria.
3. It has been observed that CRO Test Reports, prepared and uploaded without Validator involvement, are subsequently relied upon by applicants for seeking IoTSCS PPO certification. Validation carried out at a later stage may result in observations requiring clarification, modification or additional testing, thereby leading to:
  - inconsistency between the CRO Test Report already uploaded on the BIS LIMS Portal and the validated PPO Test Report; and
  - avoidable questions regarding the adequacy of earlier testing conducted without Validator involvement.
4. It has further been observed that in several cases, applicants insist on completing CRO testing first and apply for IoTSCS PPO certification at a later stage, apparently to defer or avoid validation requirements applicable under the PPO Scheme. Such practices lead to procedural ambiguity, rework and delay in certification.
5. In order to ensure uniformity, transparency and procedural consistency, the following instructions are hereby issued:

**(i) Declaration / Undertaking by Applicant:**

For all ongoing and new applications received under the BIS CRO Scheme for CCTV Cameras, the concerned STQC Testing Laboratory shall obtain an **Undertaking** from the applicant, in the prescribed format, clearly declaring



whether they intend to opt for certification under the STQC IoTSCS PPO Scheme for the same model(s).

**(ii) Handling of Concealment / Non-disclosure:**

In cases where it is subsequently established that the applicant had concealed or misrepresented their intent to apply for IoTSCS PPO certification at the time of CRO testing, the laboratory shall process the PPO application strictly as per IoTSCS Scheme Criteria, including fresh validation and any additional testing deemed necessary. Any inconsistency arising due to such non-disclosure shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

**(iii) Cases Where PPO Is Intended:**

Where the applicant declares intent to seek IoTSCS PPO certification, submission of the Undertaking shall not be required. Instead, the applicant shall be advised to submit the PPO application concurrently. In such cases, the concerned laboratory shall internally request the Certification Body for appointment of a Validator.

**(iv) Validator Involvement for IoTSCS Evaluations:**

During evaluation of CCTV Cameras under the IoTSCS PPO Scheme, involvement of the Validator is mandatory at appropriate stages, including prior to release of the First Cycle Test Report. Timely coordination with the Validator shall be ensured by the laboratory.

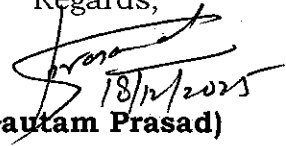
**(v) Upload of CRO Test Reports:**

In cases where a CCTV model tested under the CRO Scheme is also intended to be considered for PPO certification, the laboratory shall ensure that the overall evaluation approach does not lead to inconsistency between CRO and PPO test outcomes.

6. All STQC Testing Laboratories and concerned stakeholders are requested to strictly adhere to the above instructions to ensure uniformity, transparency and credibility of the certification process.
7. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority and shall come into force with immediate effect.

**Encl.:** Undertaking Format (as applicable)

Regards,

  
(Gautam Prasad)

Head (IT & e-Gov)

STQC Directorate

MeitY, Government of India

**UNDERTAKING (DECLARATION-CUM-CONSENT)**

We, **M/s** \_\_\_\_\_, having our registered office at \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under:

1. That we have applied for testing of CCTV Camera model(s) under the **BIS Compulsory Registration Order (CRO) Scheme**, issued under the Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirements for Compulsory Registration) Order by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, through an STQC Testing Laboratory, with details as under:

- o Name of Manufacturer : \_\_\_\_\_
- o CCTV Camera Model Number(s) : \_\_\_\_\_
- o BIS LIMS / Application Reference No. : \_\_\_\_\_

2. That we hereby clearly declare our intent regarding certification of the above model(s) under the **STQC IoT System Certification Scheme (IoTSCS-PPO)**, as indicated below:

☐ **Option A – PPO NOT Intended**

We confirm that we are applying for testing **solely under the BIS CRO Scheme** and **do not intend** to apply for evaluation or certification under the STQC IoTSCS PPO Scheme for the above-mentioned model(s).

☐ **Option B – PPO Intended**

We confirm that we **intend to apply** for certification of the above-mentioned model(s) under the **STQC IoTSCS PPO Scheme**, and agree to submit the PPO application concurrently or as advised by STQC.

3. That we understand and acknowledge that **validation of Test Reports is not a requirement under the BIS CRO Scheme**. However, where **IoTSCS PPO certification is intended**, validation of the Test Report and related evaluation activities, including involvement of a designated Validator, are mandatory as per the approved IoTSCS Scheme Criteria.
4. That in case **Option B (PPO Intended)** is selected, we hereby **give our consent** for:
  - o appointment of a Validator by the STQC Certification Body; and
  - o conduct of validation, review, and any additional testing or clarification as required under the IoTSCS PPO Scheme.
5. That in case **Option A (PPO Not Intended)** is selected:

- we understand that requests for IoTSCS PPO certification at a later stage **may not be considered without fresh validation and/or additional testing**, strictly as per the IoTSCS Scheme Criteria; and
  - we further acknowledge that opting out of the IoTSCS PPO Scheme at this stage **may affect eligibility** in future procurements, tenders, or projects where PPO certification is prescribed as a prerequisite.
6. That we acknowledge that **any concealment, misrepresentation, or suppression of intent** regarding PPO certification at the time of CRO testing may result in:
- re-evaluation and re-validation of the product,
  - additional testing, cost, and time implications, and
  - non-reliance on the earlier CRO Test Report, for which we shall be solely responsible.
7. That we agree to comply with all applicable technical and regulatory requirements under the BIS CRO Scheme and the STQC IoTSCS PPO Scheme, as applicable, and shall submit all relevant technical documents, declarations, or information as required by STQC.
8. That the contents of this Undertaking are true, correct, and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief, and that this Undertaking is executed voluntarily and shall be binding on us.

**For M/s** \_\_\_\_\_

Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Authorized Signatory : \_\_\_\_\_

Designation : \_\_\_\_\_

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