



## Clarifications Version 3 of the Scheme

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### **Accreditation Scheme for EIA Consultant Organisations – Version 3: Clarifications -**

Further to clarifications issued on Oct 3, 2017, the following additional clarification to the Scheme will become effective immediately.

Sl. No.	Clarifications
1.	<p><b>Clause 5.1.4 Functional area associate (FAA) (page 10) of the Scheme - Clarifications on status of FAA –</b></p> <p><b>a. FAA Tenure:</b> The tenure of a candidate as FAA shall be valid for maximum up to three (3) years. However, after the stipulated tenure a candidate can continue as a TM with intimation and get approved as an independent FAE in future. If s/he not gets approved as FAE may apply again after 3 months specifying their improvement in FA.</p> <p><b>b. FAA with Cat. A ACOs dealing only in Cat. A projects:</b> In such organisations, the FAA will be permitted to be involved in Cat. A projects under guidance of an approved Cat. A FAE (but cannot be considered as Cat. A FAE). The tenure of FAA will be for 3 years.</p> <p><b>c. Maximum number of FAAs, a Mentor or FAE can guide:</b> An approved FAE (Cat. A or B) or a Mentor can guide maximum up to 3 FAAs for 2 FAs. (Clarification to Clause 5.1.4 (page 10) and Clause A 3. (Page 49) of the Scheme)</p>
2.	<p><b>Clause 12.0: Code of Conduct (sub-clause 12.2: Undertaking by consultant organization - page 28) and Annexure I, IA, IB &amp; VII of the Scheme:</b></p> <p>The following paragraph on plagiarism is incorporated – “It is certified that no unethical practice like ‘copy and paste’, and used external data / text without proper acknowledgement, while preparing this EIA report”.</p>
3.	<p><b>Assessment of out stationed/indisposition candidate at the time of office assessment:</b> - Depending upon situation of the case online assessment (using SKYPE or other) can be considered.</p> <p>However, approved expert should report to NABET office through ACO on his/her return / recovery.</p>

#### **Abbreviations:**

ACO:	Accredited Consultant Organization
Cat.:	Category
EC:	EIA Coordinator
EIA:	Environmental Impact Assessment
FA:	Functional Area
FAE:	Functional Area Expert

IA: Initial Accreditation  
NABET: National Accreditation Board for Education and Training  
QCI: Quality Council of India  
TM: Team Member

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