## **IMPORTANT INITIATIVES BY BIS**

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## INTRODUCTION

- Established in 1947 as ISI- Declared National Standards Body by BIS Act, 2016.
- Mandated to formulate Standards, design and implement Conformity Assessment schemes and set up & manage Laboratory Operations.
- □ Protection of Consumer Interests by Surveillance and Enforcement.
- □ Operates through Five Regional and 41 Branch Offices.

## **SOME IMPORTANT STATISTICS**

	Total (upto 31 March 2021)
Number of Standards in force	21013
of which product standards	10,240
Number of harmonized standards	6608
Number of operative licences (Domestic)	37873
Number of BIS Labs	08
Number of private Labs recognized by BIS	267
Number of Government Labs empaneled by BIS	258
Number of Registered Jewellers	34647
Number of Assaying & Hallmarking Centres	945
Number of operative licences under CRS	16655
Number of operative licences under FMCS	1008
Number of operative licences under MSCS	1261

#### **STANDARD FORMULATION - INITIATIVES**

- □ Process of review of standards automated.
- □ Scheme of One Nation, One Standard launched.
- □ Standardization cells in Ministries and Industry Associations.
- □ MoUs signed with institutes of eminence.
- Indian Standards available free of cost on standardization portal of e-BIS.

#### **CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT- INITIATIVES**

- □ Automation of entire process of certification.
- Strict timelines for disposal of applications and real-time monitoring of compliance.
- □ Introduction of system of automatic renewal of licenses.
- Reduction in minimum marking fee for micro industry and start ups and women entrepreneurs.
- □ More than 80% products brought under Simplified procedure.
- System of consultation with applicants at the stage of scrutiny to avoid delay in processing.

## REDUCTION IN MINIMUM MARKING FEE FOR MSME

- □ For a start-up, micro scale enterprise and a women entrepreneur enterprise, applying for the licence, concession of 50% in the annual minimum marking fee
- □ For an existing licence operated by a **micro scale enterprise**, an additional concession of 10% on annual minimum marking fee
- □ For an existing licence operated by a **women entrepreneur** micro, small & medium scale enterprise, an additional concession of 10 % on annual minimum marking fee

#### **CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT- INITIATIVES**

- □ Engagement of 5 NABCB accredited agencies for Factory Surveillance.
- □ Engagement of 2 agencies for Market Surveillance.
- Development of mobile app based surveillance for greater speed and transparency.
- Integration of ICEGATE of Customs with Foreign Manufacturers module of e-BIS for surveillance of imported goods.
- Module for regular feeding of production and consignee details introduced in Manak Online.

## **LABORATORY OPERATIONS - INITIATIVES**

- Development of LIMS and its integration with Manak Online and CRS.
- □ Automation of Laboratory Recognition Scheme.
- Integration of accreditation and recognition processes of NABL and BIS.
- □ Renovation of BIS Lab infrastructure.
- Plan for expansion and upgradation of testing facilities based on scientific gap analysis.
- Guidelines issued for setting up of cluster based laboratories and satellite laboratories.

#### **STANDARD PROMOTION - INITIATIVES**

- □ Webinar with leading PSUs to promote the use of Indian Standards.
- Ministries requested to enforce public procurement guidelines regarding use of Indian Standards and Certification by BIS.
- □ Formation of Standards Clubs.
- □ Around 600 products identified for formulation of QCOs.
- □ BIS educational videos under the title "BIS-Talks".

## **OTHER INITIATIVES**

- □ Revision of all the standards formulated upto the year 2000-01.
- Module for automation of the workflow of Assaying and Hallmarking Centres in progress.
- Certificate course on Hallmarking and certificate course on Quality Control successfully launched.
- Seminars/workshops on newly developed/revised standards across the country in collaboration with Industry Associations and Ministries.
- **□** Consumer Engagement and Training portals developed.

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