

Government of Pakistan Trade Development Authority of Pakistan

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ASSISTANCE FOR MANDATORY CERTIFICATIONS

In the Trade Policy for 2004-05, the government encouraged setting up of certification laboratories in Pakistan and for their accreditation by subsidizing the cost from EDF. However, there are still many export products for which importers insist on certification reports from designated laboratories, the accreditation of which is not yet available to Pakistani laboratories.

In order to facilitate the exporters to meet the product certification requirements of foreign buyers, the Government of Pakistan in the Trade Policy 2005-06 has announced a scheme for extending assistance for Mandatory Certifications. Certification/testing from internationally accepted laboratories in respect of products presently being exported, as well as those with export potential, would be covered under the scheme. Approved cases would be reimbursed 75% of the laboratory certification/testing costs subject to a maximum of US \$ 2000 per certification/test report.

Exporters interested in availing the assistance may apply alongwith following details to Deputy Director, (Trade Policy) Trade Development Authority of Pakistan, Government of Pakistan, 5th floor, Finance & Trade Centre, Sharea Faisal, Karachi (Pakistan) Phone # 92-21-9201505, Fax # 92-21-9202717, Email: tdap@tdap.gov.pk, Website: www.tdap.gov.pk

- 1) Name of the organization.
- 2) Telephone, fax, e-mail and address of the organization.
- 3) Name of contact person along with telephone, fax and e-mail.
- 4) Scope of operations and product mix.
- 5) Detail of products / services exported alongwith value and markets (for the last three financial years separately).
- 6) Name, address, phone, fax and e-mail of the importer asking for certification.
- 7) Name, address, phone, fax, e-mail and contacts of the certification/testing laboratory.
- 8) Nature, purpose and details of the test alongwith statement of the result.
- 9) Total cost for the certification/testing and amount claimed as assistance.
- Paid bill in original alongwith a copy of the certification / test report duly verified by concerned trade association and Pakistan Embassy.
- Documentary evidence alongwith an undertaking to the effect that the test conducted was required by the foreign buyer / importer specifically from the given laboratory.

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