

## **Procedures for transfer of the Operators during Suspension/Termination of a Certification Body under NPOP**

- 1) After the decision of NAB for suspension/termination of any CB, all the CBs and the trading partner countries with India has equivalence and conformity assessment arrangements will be informed accordingly by APEDA
- 2) The information will also be hosted on APEDA website for information to all operators
- 3) The suspended CB account will be closed in the Tracenet immediately
- 4) The operators of the suspended CB are required to apply for No Objection Certificate on Tracenet for transfer to another CB within 15 days
- 5) The new CB will forward the request to APEDA officially of their acceptance of the transferred projects within 7 days
- 6) Following this process, the operators in the suspended CB account will be given a NOC by APEDA for transfer to another CB of their choice (only once). Within 7 days
- 7) The new CB will be able to register the operator (NOC No. provided by APEDA) after inspection (within one month)
- 8) Resulting the transfer of the entire data of the operator to enable the new CB to go for inspection and verification before continuation of certification (inspection to be completed within one month)
- 9) The process of transfer is given below for different types of the operators

### **In case of Grower Group**

- The new Certification Body will physically verify the ICS location and existence of farmers practising organic farming before the approval of NOC on Tracenet.

### **In case of Processor**

- The new Certification Body will verify the stock ready for Processing & Processed by visiting the processing unit before issuance of any Certificate on Tracenet

### **In case of Trader**

- After acceptance of NOC, the certification Body will do the physical verification of the stock and submit their report to APEDA before issuance of any certificate

### **In case of export consignment ready for shipment**

- The new Certification Body after accepting the NOC of the operator will verify the ready consignment for export before issuance of Provisional Transaction Certificate (PTC)