



**National Accreditation Board for
Testing and Calibration Laboratories**
(A Constituent Board of Quality Council of India)



Subject: Introduction of Upfront Payment System for NABL Accreditation

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

Greetings from NABL, Quality Council of India (QCI)!

As part of our ongoing reforms and continuous efforts to transform the accreditation experience, NABL is introducing simpler, more efficient, and stakeholder-friendly processes, with a focus on enhancing Ease of Doing Business and reducing the administrative burden on laboratories.

Based on valuable feedback received from laboratories and other stakeholders regarding the existing invoicing process, which involves multiple invoices for assessment-related charges and the annual accreditation fee, NABL is pleased to introduce an Upfront Payment System to make the payment process more convenient, transparent, and streamlined.

Under the new system:

A single consolidated invoice for all applicable charges for the year will be raised once the scrutiny is complete.

The upfront payment will include **Assessment Charges (Honorarium), Overhead Charges, and the Annual Accreditation Fee** before the proposed date.

Note: The application fee shall be required to be paid at the time of application submission.

GST will be applicable at the prevailing rates.

This new system will be effective from 1st October 2026.

Travel, boarding, lodging and TA/DA expenses will continue to be invoiced separately after completion of the assessment. NABL is also working towards integrating these expenses into the upfront payment system in the near future.

This initiative is another step in NABL's ongoing process and digital transformation journey, aimed at reducing administrative burden, minimising multiple transactions and enabling laboratories to manage their payments through a simpler and more streamlined process.

We sincerely appreciate your continued trust, partnership, and support as we work together towards strengthening India's quality ecosystem and making accreditation more efficient and responsive to the needs of our stakeholders.

Sincerely,
NABL Team