

LEGALITY, ADMINISTRATION, AND STRUCTURE

QMS Compliance

Producer Group Compliance with Section 4A Certification Process for group certification: IndG.A.P Certification

IndG.A.P Clause No.	Standard Requirement	Guidance for Implementation. It may change from entity to entity/ its operational activities
QM 3.1	LEGALITY, ADMINISTRATION, AND STRUCTURE	
QM 3.1.1	Any organization formed under any statute or Act or local government regulation, where registration number is allotted to the organization for the legal identity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Producer group (FPO or etc.) implementing IndG.A.P to be legal entity with registration no from the State or Central Government Example: Incorporation/Registration certificate from Registrar of Companies or co-operative societies or registered under partnership Act
a)	Is there documentation available, which clearly demonstrates that the applicant is or belongs to a legal entity and has the responsibility over the production handling and ownership of the produce and also responsible for the compliance with the IndG.A.P Standard.	<p>Example</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration/incorporation certificate as mentioned above Management Resolution that it has the responsibility over the production handling and ownership of the produce and responsible for compliance with IndG.A.P standard
b)	Has the legal entity been granted the legal right to carry out agricultural production and/or trading, and be able to legally contract with and represent the producer members/production sites?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Example Objects clause in Memorandum of Association in case of a company or bylaws in the case of society or Partnership Deed in case of partnership must contain the text that it has legal right to carry on agricultural production and/or

		trading and represent the producer members/production sites
c)	The legal entity shall enter into contractual relationship with IndG.A.P through the signature of the IndG.A.P sub license and Certification agreement in its latest available version in QCI website with QCI approved CB or it shall explicitly acknowledge the receipt and inclusion of the IndG.A.P sub license and certification agreement with the signature of the service contract/agreement with CB and the CB shall handover a copy of the IndG.A.P sub license and certification agreement to the QMS management. The legal entity becomes the sole holder of the IndG.A.P certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Producer Group shall enter Sub license and certification agreement with approved Certification Body accredited for IndG.A.P scheme.
d)	Does the legal entity not operate more than one QMS per crop and per country?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Producer Group is not operating under more than one Quality Management System per Crop and Per Country