

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**  
**DIRECTOR GENERAL QUALITY ASSURANCE**

**INVITATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THIRD PARTY QUALITY ASSURANCE FUNCTION OF DEFENCE STORES**

1. The Defence sector under “Make in India” initiative of the Government has enhanced the involvement of Indian Industry in the manufacturing sector of Defence products. To meet the increased work load, Directorate General of Quality Assurance (DGQA), the main QA organization needs to augment its QA function by outsourcing certain QA activities to eligible Third Party Inspection Agencies (TPI). Accordingly a scheme has been formulated, guidelines prepared and product list for outsourcing identified and published in the DGQA website (**[www.dgqadefence.gov.in](http://www.dgqadefence.gov.in)**)
2. DGQA invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from experienced consultant Indian firms for carrying out Third party quality assurance function of Defence stores manufactured by Pvt Industry within India.
3. **Eligibility Criteria**
  - (a) Agency should fulfill the Mandatory Provisions as per clause 2.1.1 of Guidelines for Outsourcing of Quality Assurance functions of Defence Store manufactured by Private Industries to TPI agency and available on DGQA website and desirable to have Preferred Criteria as per clause 2.1.2.
  - (b) Once registered, if considered necessary the TPI agency will be given structured training (minimum 96 h) in specific areas of Defence product inspection in existing facilities of DGQA
4. **Scope**
  - (a) Capability and Capacity assessment of Defence manufacturing firms
  - (b) Input material check
  - (c) Process audit during manufacturing
  - (d) Surveillance & quality audit
  - (e) Quality control: Ascertain adequacy of jigs & fixtures and calibration
  - (f) Conduct proof testing of armament stores
  - (g) Product audit/ final acceptance inspection
  - (h) Clearance of store conforming to specifications

(j) Defect investigation in consultation with OEM and arriving at root cause

5. **Place & date of submission**

The TPI agencies fulfilling the above criteria are invited to submit their EOI and provide detailed information with relevant supporting documents duly authenticated as per the application form TPI-001(DGQA) (available on DGQA website) within 30 days of issue of this notice in soft copy in PDF and two hard copies. The envelopes shall be addresses as under-

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6. **Registration fee**: Registration fee (Non refundable) will be paid as under:-

(a) Registration fee of Rs 25,000/- in form of DD in favour of PCDA, HQ, New Delhi.

(b) Deposit GST (as applicable) under reverse charge directly with GST authorities and proof be submitted along with the application.

7. **Evaluation Criteria**: The response to this EoI will be evaluated by a team of officers of DGQA based on the assessment parameters given at Para 3 to verify the requisite capability and capacity for conduct of TPI of a given range of products.

8. **Registration**: TPI agency found capable by the evaluation team will be registered with DGQA and Registration Certificate issued. Registration of TPI agency is a pre requisite for TPI agency to qualify to participate in Rate Contract for inspection of Defence store.

9. **Validity of Registration**- Initially for a period of five years. On satisfactory performance and on request renewable for cycle of five years.

10. This EoI is being invited with no financial commitment on part of the Govt of India/MoD. Govt of India reserves the right to withdraw or change or vary any part thereof at any stage. MoD, Govt of India also reserves the right to disqualify any company should it be so necessary at any stage on grounds of national security or otherwise without assigning any reason.