



Features of BIS Management Systems Certification Scheme (BIS MSCS)

1.0. The salient features of BIS MSCS are described in the following few points:

- Bureau of Indian Standards has been operating Management Systems Certification Scheme since 1991 under [BIS Act, 1986 and Rules & Regulations](#) framed there under.
- Initially, BIS started the scheme with Quality Management System Certification (IS/ISO 9001) and over the years it has gradually expanded its activities to various other Management Systems.
- NABCB, QCI has accredited Quality Management System Certification Schemes and Environmental Management System Certification Schemes of BIS.
- The Management Systems Certification Department at HQS New Delhi is the policy making department which also coordinates the Systems Certification activities from the country in a uniform and impartial manner as per ISO/IEC 17021.
- The Management Systems Certification activities is decentralized to its five regional offices: the central region located in Delhi, the eastern region located in Kolkata, the northern region located in Chandigarh, the southern region located in Chennai and the western region located in Mumbai. The Deputy Director General (Region) is the granting, renewing and cancellation authority of the licence and this activity is coordinated by the Management Systems



Certification Officer of the region.

name of BIS is included in the directory.

➤ BIS is the only organization in India which operates Management Systems Certification Scheme under an Act of Parliament.

➤ BIS has large resources of auditors and experts throughout the country leading to more economic operation of certifications scheme.

➤ BIS is the National Standards Body (NSB) of India and represents the country in the international forum on standardization including International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and International Electro-technical Commission (IEC).

➤ BIS has a wide network of regional offices and branch offices for providing timely and efficient and economical service.

➤ BIS is a non-profit organization and hence certification services are very cost effective.

➤ Being member of ISO, BIS takes part in the deliberations of the Technical Committee such as ISO/TC 176 and ISO/TC 207 responsible for formulation of ISO 9000 series of standards and 14000 series.

2.0. Various Management Systems under MSCS are given below:

➤ Quality Management System – IS/ISO 9001;

➤ Environmental Management System – IS/ISO 14001;

➤ Food Safety Management System – IS/ISO 22000;

➤ Energy Management System – IS/ISO 50001;

➤ ISO is not operating any certification scheme. However, it has compiled a directory of certification bodies world over and as expected, the



- Occupational Health & Safety Management System – IS 18001;
 - Service Quality Management System – IS 15700;
 - Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP)-IS 15000;
 - Integrated Management Systems;
 - Medical Device Management System- IS/ISO 13485;
 - Social Accountability at Workplace – IS/ISO 16001;
 - Integrated Milk Certification Scheme – IS/ISO....;
 - Road Traffic Management System – IS/ISO 39001;
 - Adventure Tourism Management System – IS/ISO.... and
- QMS Certification for RMC – IS/ISO.....

Note:

Advantage of these certifications can be taken from BIS website (www.bis.gov.in)