

FAQ QRC

What is a QRC?

Please refer to NSDC NOS Protocol document on page number 29.

QRC or the **Qualifications Registration Committee** will be an apex body for finalization of Occupational Standards (OS) proposed by any SSC and work with NSDC for its registration as a National Standard.

What is the role of QRC?

- To check the appropriateness level of Qualification Pack as per level descriptor and classify it as Low/High/Appropriate. In case it feels that Qualification Pack level descriptor needs a re-consideration by the proposing SSC, it will send it back for re-consideration.
- To ensure the Occupational Standard is compliant with NOS format and nomenclature protocol defined by NSDC.
- To examine the draft Occupational Standard with the universe of existing NOS, and decide whether the draft Occupational Standard is unique, or similar/common to any existing NOS.
- During the process, it will interact with Occupational Standard proposing SSC and the SSC of whose NOS finds a commonality with proposing SSC Occupational Standard and set the necessary linkages.
- Post completion of the above mentioned points, QRC will accord a provisional approval to the Occupational Standard.
- Thereafter the NOS will be opened for public viewing for one month. During this period, it will monitor the responses SSC is giving to the public.
- Post public viewing and incorporation of any feedbacks, QRC will work with NSDC to register/ promulgate the NOS as a national standard.

How will QRC be formed?

- QRC will be a 9 member team
 - QRC will draw four of its members from NSDC funded SSCs who have had a Governing Council Meeting in the past and a have CEO

in place. Considering its importance, only CEOs would be eligible to be members of QRC.

- One member in QRC will be co-opted from the SSC whose OS are under review. This person also has to be the CEO of the proposing SSC. The engagement of the sixth member will be only for the period while his/her SSC's OS is under QRC process. Post the process his/her QRC engagement will automatically terminate.
- One member of QRC will be nominated representative of NSDC from its Standards and QA team and
- One Government Nominee each from concerned Government Ministries:
 - MHRD – Ministry of Human Resource and Development
 - MoLE – Ministry of Labour and Employment
 - MSME – Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- The SSC members of QRC team will be formed by an election process in which all SSCs will choose the members for a period of 1 calendar year.
- The elected members and NSDC representative will choose a Chairperson of the Committee, for the duration of one calendar year. The tenure of the QRC will begin the day the QRC members convene their first meeting and elect their Chairperson.
- Secretarial support to QRC would be provided by NSDC

How will QRC Operate?

- QRC Meeting would progress as per QRC Process Flow attached.
- Every Meeting will be minuted and actionable progressed by QRC Secretariat.
- Following will be the operations flow:
 - NSDC would receive draft Occupational Standard from SSCs as per NOS Protocol.
 - After due diligence on the Occupational Standard, NSDC would intimate the same to QRC Members, and Chairperson QRC would convene a Meeting of QRC.
 - QRC team drawn from SSC and NSDC member will do a thorough examination to see if the draft Occupational Standard submitted

by the SSC is as per the stipulated protocol. It will interact with the proposing SSC and get the necessary corrections done, if required.

- Post that, the Chairman QRC will invite a complete quorum meeting along the Government nominees to ratify the same. During this meeting, the proposing SSC will present their OS to the quorum and seek a provisional approval.
- Post presentation, if the quorum is in agreement that the draft is in line with the stated requirements and meets the national requirements, a provisional approval will be accorded.
- Once the larger quorum ratifies the Occupational Standard with provisional approval, it will be loaded on public websites for a month for the public to view and comment.
- Once the public opinion has been taken into account and incorporated wherever required by SSC under intimation to QRC, the provisionally approved Occupational Standard will be classified as the National Occupational Standard and will be uploaded on the National Site for Occupational Standards.