GUIDELINES FOR AFFILIATION FOR ANIMAL HEALTH JOB ROLES WITH AGRICULTURE SKILL COUNCIL OF INDIA (ASCI)

These guidelines are prepared for Training Providers (TP) /Organizations desirous to undertake training for Qualification Packs (QPs) related to Animal Health / Care job roles. Attention is also drawn to 'Prevention of Cruelty of Animals Act, 1960'.

Background

Animal Health is a sensitive subject and keeping in view the focus it deserves, it has been mandated that entities seeking affiliation with ASCI, for undertaking training in job roles pertaining to 'Animal Health', under any scheme, need to have permission / NOC from the respective Animal Husbandry department of the state to commence the training activity.

While the Qualifications prepared by ASCI lay down the process to acquire the skills, any regulatory / statuary clearances, wherever required, are to be obtained from the appropriate authority by individuals or organizations.

No Objection Certificate (NOC)

For obtaining permission to organize training in roles that fall under Animal Health, the appropriate authority is the state Animal Husbandry Department under the State Agriculture Department / Central Government. The applicant organization is to obtain a 'No Objection Certificate' from the appropriate authority before applying for affiliation with ASCI in the undermentioned Job Roles developed, to date, by ASCI:

- 1. Animal Health Worker (Approx. Training Duration 45 Days)
- 2. Artificial Insemination Technician (Approx. Training Duration 75 days)
- 3. Veterinary Clinical Assistant (Approx. Training Duration 2 Years)
- 4. Veterinary Field Assistant. (Approx. Training Duration 2 Years)

Central / State schemes which may be public funded or schemes launched by any other organizations as non-public funded may include in their schemes , Qualification Packs (QPs) available in the National Qualification Register (NQR), which are in the Public Domain. However, to launch training in a role which is within the state purview, a recommendation letter / No Objection Certificate (NOC) would be required from an appropriate authority, in case the applicant entity is a Non Govt / Private Organization and requests to be associated with ASCI.

Where the scheme is public funded, the clearance may be obtained by the scheme implementing authority or individually by the Training Providers (TP) from the appropriate authority. For all other type of trainings under any scheme or plan, it will be the responsibility of the applicant organization to obtain the required permission.

It is clarified that it is NOT the responsibility of ASCI to approach the state authorities to provide such clearances.

If any organisation even if earlier affiliated for an Animal Health Job Role and now seeking renewal / extension / converting conditionally affiliated to full affiliation, the requirement of NOC from the State / Central government department handling Animal Husbandry is now MANDATORY, whenever the entity desires to be associated with ASCI.

Where the government training organization (ie; under the jurisdiction of Central / State Government Departments or a part of the Central/ State Govt Universities) is already providing training in Animal Health roles / government approved entity is engaged in Animal Health / Care occupations, having earlier obtained such approvals, that entity will not be required to furnish an NOC or obtain further clearances.

In case of any entity approaching for the first time, the NOC will only set the process of evaluating their request for affiliation. It is not binding on ASCI to recommend affiliation to applicant organization only on the basis of submitting the NOC. Recommendation letter will be provided only when the entity, in addition, fulfils NCVET / SSC affiliation conditions.

There is no standard format prepared by ASCI regarding the 'NOC' / recommendation letter, however, the NOC required for affiliating any organization should be on a Central / State government department letterhead / a document that is easily identified as being issued by an appropriate Central / State government department dealing with Animal Health and clearly mentioning the name of the applicant organization and that the named organization has the permission to undertake training in the Animal Health segment within the state.

Specific Job Role / Roles and training numbers against the recommended job roles should be mentioned in the letter to avoid any ambiguity.

Training of Trainer (TOT)

Any TP / organization which desire to get their faculty certified on the Animal Health Job Roles may approach ASCI with the support document which indicates that the TP / organization have the required permission to undertake training in specific Animal Health job roles. Individuals who fulfil the education qualifications and experience to be certified as trainers can also apply for TOT certification.

DISCLAIMER

Agriculture Skill Council of India (ASCI) or its representatives do not coerce any organization to apply for affiliation with ASCI under any false assurances. It may be noted that ASCI has a Zero tolerance policy for any acts of fraud, misrepresentation, falsification and fabrication of information.

Application / request for affiliation with ASCI are purely voluntary and choice of the applicant entity. It is not binding on ASCI to accept all requests or provide 'recommendation' letter to any / all applicants requesting for association with ASCI.

Request for affiliation with ASCI will be considered / processed for those entities that fulfil the minimum conditions for affiliation as approved by NCVET and SSC.