



Department of Food & Public Distribution
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Government of India

For Information of

Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM)/ Vendors/ Suppliers of Devices
such as Point of Sale (PoS), Mobile / Tablet Devices & Terminals

To obtain STQC certification of devices for Automation of FPSs
under the program of computerization of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)

Government of India intends to automate the Fair Price Shops (FPSs) across the country under computerization of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) program, which involves use of devices such as Point of Sale (PoS) devices, Mobile/ Tablet devices/terminals, etc. for authentication of beneficiaries, recording of sales to beneficiaries at the FPS and uploading of transaction data in the designated server. The Government of India has signed a MoU with STQC (a Directorate under Deity, Govt. of India), for providing certification of devices with respect to the technical specifications which have been finalized and available on the PDS portal <http://pdsportal.nic.in/>.

All OEMs/ Vendors/ Suppliers dealing with such devices/terminals, who intend to participate in various bids/tenders to be floated by States/UTs for procurement/installation/ deployment of such devices at FPSs, shall have to obtain certification of their device models from STQC, for being technically eligible for supply of the devices at the FPSs. The details regarding STQC certification and its schedule of charges are available at STQC website <http://stqc.gov.in/>. All related queries may be sent to nandwani@deity.gov.in.

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