



# *IAMM-External Quality Assessment Scheme (New Delhi)*

## Brochure-2025

**IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI TRUST**

Under the aegis of IAMM

Institute of Clinical Microbiology &  
Immunology,

Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New  
Delhi-110 060 (INDIA)



Dear Participants,

*Season's greetings from IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI!*

Thank you all for your support to our NABL accredited EQAS program over the last years. Our aim is to validate the competency of the participating centers in India in the hope of ensuring standardized diagnostic capability.

We have been running IAMM EQAS **Microbiology** efficiently for the last ten years and successfully completed the second cycle of **Molecular Microbiology**, a new Tier of IAMM EQAS New Delhi in the year 2024.

The Tier-1 EQAS (Microbiology) includes smear reporting, culture identification and antibiotic susceptibility testing along with infectious disease serology testing.

The Tier-2 EQAS (Molecular Microbiology) includes testing for five parameters: Quantitative HBV, Quantitative HCV, Quantitative HIV-1, Quantitative CMV, and Qualitative MTB.

To enroll for the above mentioned programmes kindly visit our website [www.iammeqasdelhi.com](http://www.iammeqasdelhi.com) (Detailed procedure for enrollment is included on page number 3-4).

***Note: Those already registered with us and would like to continue (renewal) for the year 2025 need to renew their registrations for the year 2025. The registrations for the year 2025 begin from 1st January, 2025.***

We request all participants to register online via the link provided above. We encourage our participants to use on-line portal for payment. Wishing each of you a prosperous 2025!

With Best Wishes

Dr. Chand Wattal,  
Chairman,  
IAMM EQAS New Delhi

## Important Updates

- ❖ *Information sheet will no longer be provided with the QC packages. Instead, the **information sheet can be downloaded directly from the website by following the steps outlined below.** Also note that the question paper will not be accessible before downloading the information sheet.*
  - Log in using your DLH code and password.
  - Navigate to the **Dashboard**.
  - Click on the **Question paper/Result/Certificate/Result analysis and Learning** tab.
  - Locate the **Information Sheet** column.
  - Click on **Download** under the Information Sheet column for the 4th QC.
  - **Tick the checkbox** confirming, "I will read the information sheet carefully before proceeding to the questionnaire."
  - Click on **Download Information Sheet** and print it for your reference.
  - Proceed by clicking **Start Answering**.
  
- ❖ Tier-2 Molecular Microbiology EQAS will be dispatched in the month of March (First Round-5<sup>th</sup> QC) and October (Second Round-6<sup>th</sup> QC) for the year 2025 (3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle).
  
- ❖ Kindly select the **scope in the enrolment form very carefully as it has been updated. Participants will only be provided with the samples which are selected by them in the enrolment form.** Also, refrain from selecting the tests outside the scope of your lab/hospital.

## To Know Before you enroll!

1. Any laboratory that performs bacteriological/serological/molecular microbiology testing is eligible to participate in this program.
2. **Please use the official or designated email id for enrollment. All correspondence would be sent ONLY to that email id.**
3. There should be a designated contact person with whom we can correspond , should any query arise
4. **Please inform the IAMM EQAS office of any change in contact details immediately and update the same in your enrollment form.**

## Important Information

- **Participants are free to enroll in IAMM EQAS New Delhi at any point of year with the following conditions:** Participants should submit completed enrollment form along with the fees at least 15 days before the commencement of the next cycle. e.g., participants wishing to join from March, 2025, should complete the joining formalities by 15<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2025. If the request is received after that, then the participants' cycle will start from July, 2025.
- In no case will the PT items be sent again.
- Only soft copies of your reports need to be sent for evaluation.
- A participant must participate in at least one of the three challenges per year to be eligible for the annual participation certificate.

## Registration Procedure

### Existing Participants

Those already registered with us and would like to enroll for the 2025 cycle can **use the existing username and password** to enter the website and follow the steps mentioned below:

- Go to Website: [www.iammeqasdelhi.com](http://www.iammeqasdelhi.com)
- Login through User ID (Center code) & Password and click on “**submit**” button.
- Click on “Dash board”
- Click on **Renew Enrollment** - Enrollment form will get auto-filled with previous details. Kindly update the form if there are any changes in your details like Organization Name, Address, Contact no. with mail ID and EQAS scope. Once you complete the enrolment procedure with DD/ NEFT details, click on “**Submit renewal**”.

In case you have forgotten your password, click on forgot password and enter your user ID (Centre code) and your registered mail ID and then submit. A new password would then be generated automatically and sent on registered mail id.

- **NOTE: - Do not use the New Enrollment icon for renewal. If you go for the new enrollment, you will loose all past records of your performance.**

## Registration Procedure: New Participants

- Go to Website: [www.iammeqasdelhi.com](http://www.iammeqasdelhi.com)
- Click on the Enrollment form menu
- Click on the “New Enrollment” tab
- Fill the Enrollment form and submit
- After successful submission of Enrollment form, you will get an email on registered email id.
- In case of payment by demand draft, kindly attach a printout of the enrollment form, with demand draft and post it to Dr. Chand Wattal, Department of Clinical Microbiology (IAMM EQAS New Delhi), Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi – 110060. Ph: 011-42251153, Mob: 91 8766342349 (From 9 AM to 5 PM).
- After verification of payment, you will be sent a unique user id and password.
- You can use this user id and password to login to [www.iammeqasdelhi.com](http://www.iammeqasdelhi.com)

## Payment Procedure

- The payment can be made both online and offline.
- For **offline payment**, a **Demand Draft** drawn in favour of "IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI TRUST" payable at New Delhi (Kindly see the registration fees panel for exact amount) along with the enrollment form has to be sent to: **Dr. Chand Wattal, Chairperson, IAMM-EQAS New Delhi Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi 110060**
- For **Online payment**, money can be transferred via **NEFT** to the provided bank details

## Bank Details for Online Payment

- Account Beneficiary name : IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI TRUST
- Account Number : 91112010084978
- Name of the Bank : CANARA BANK
- Branch : Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, Delhi- 110060
- IFSC code : CNRB0019111
- Kindly let us know the transaction details (UTR. No.) through email: [iammeqas.dlh@sgrh.com](mailto:iammeqas.dlh@sgrh.com) , if you have made the payment by NEFT / RTGS / PFMS with centre code and organisation name. Otherwise we will not be able to trace your credited payment into our bank account for enrollment.
- After completion of registration and payment, login using you DLH code and password. Click on the “view/download invoice” tab on the dashboard and download your invoice.

## Panels and Registration Fees-2025

### Tier-1: Microbiology

S. No.	Component	No. of samples x Frequency per year	Cost of the Panel (Including 18% GST)
1.	Smear for staining and reporting	3 x 3	<b>INR 9,440/-</b>
2.	Bacteriology culture for organism identification and antimicrobial susceptibility testing	3 x 3	
3.	Bacterial and BBV Serology	8 x 3	

• *The **Microbiology** proficiency testing packages will be dispatched in the month of **March, July, and November**.*

• PT Scheme remains the same in each round: 3 Smears; 3 Bacterial Cultures; and 4 Lyophilized serum samples for bacterial and 4 for BBV serology.

### Tier-2: Molecular Microbiology

S. No.	Component	No. of samples x Frequency per year	Cost per component (Including 18% GST)
1.	Quantitative HCV	2 x 2	<b>10, 856/-</b>
2.	Quantitative HBV	2 x 2	<b>10, 856/-</b>
3.	Quantitative HIV-1	2 x 2	<b>10, 856/-</b>
4.	Quantitative CMV	2 x 2	<b>10, 856/-</b>
5.	Qualitative MTB Complex	2 x 2	<b>10, 856/-</b>

• *The **Molecular Microbiology** proficiency testing packages will be dispatched in the month of **March and October**.*

• *PT Scheme remains same in each round, with 2 samples for each analyte for which the participant registers.*

## Scope

### **Tier-1 EQAS: Microbiology**

**1. Smear:** Participants will be provided three slides (1.1, 1.2, and 1.3), which they will need to stain as per the question and report their findings and interpretations. This question analyses the proficiency of participating labs in following staining methods:

- Gram Staining
- Albert Staining
- ZN Staining
- Kinyoun Staining

**2. Culture Identification and antimicrobial susceptibility testing:** This includes Culture Identification (Manual/Automated) upto species level and antimicrobial susceptibility (Kirby Bauer/MIC method). Any three lyophilized bacterial cultures will be provided to the participants (2.1, 2.2, and 2.3).

**3. Serology:** The participants will be provided four serum specimens each for bacterial serology and blood borne viruses (BBV) serology.

#### **3.1 Scope for Bacterial Serology:**

- ASO
- CRP
- CMV IgG
- CMV IgM
- Dengue Serology (IgM)
- Dengue Serology (NS1 Antigen)
- Herpes Serology IgM
- Herpes Serology IgG
- Hepatitis A Serology
- Hepatitis B Serology (Anti-HBc)
- Hepatitis B Serology (Anti-HBs antibody)
- Hepatitis B Serology (HBeAg)
- Hepatitis E Serology
- Salmonella Serology (IgM)
- RA Factor
- Syphilis Serology (RPR)
- Rubella IgM
- Rubella IgG

#### **3.2 Scope for BBV Serology:**

- Hepatitis B Serology
- Hepatitis C Serology
- HIV Serology

## Scope

### **Tier-2 EQAS: Molecular Microbiology**

**For Molecular Microbiology, the participants will be provided two samples for each diagnostic test they register for.**

- Quantitative CMV
- Quantitative HBV
- Quantitative HCV
- Quantitative HIV-1
- Qualitative MTB Complex

## Contact Information

**For any queries contact us at:**

**08766342349/011-4225-1153 or [iammeqas.dlh@sgrh.com](mailto:iammeqas.dlh@sgrh.com)**

With Best Wishes

Dr. Chand Wattal  
Chairman  
IAMM EQAS NEW DELHI