NABL’s accreditation scheme for Medical Laboratories is purely voluntary. Accreditation granted by NABL is based on the demonstration of competence by the laboratories to carry out specific tests in accordance with International standard, ISO 15189:2012. It is clarified that the laboratories are required to follow qualifications norms for authorized signatory mentioned in Table 1 of NABL 112, Issue No.3, amended on 16.10.2012.

It is pertinent to mention that in addition to the requirements laid down by NABL for accreditation, it is the laboratory’s responsibility to abide by the National/regional/state/local regulatory requirements/Acts/Rules as applicable and effective from time to time. It is informed to the NABL accredited laboratories that the compliance of above requirement will be verified by NABL in the next on-site assessment of laboratory.