



# INTERNAL ASSESSORS TRAINING & IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL QUALITY ASSURANCE STANDARDS IN UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH

DATE: 19<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 Venue: Conference Hall, NHM Office, Leh



The National Quality Assurance Programme aims to enhance the quality of care provided in public health facilities. All States and Union Territories of India have embraced this standard and are at varying stages of its implementation. The Union Territory of Ladakh is actively applying the NQAS in its District Hospital, Community Health Center, Primary Health Center, and Health & Wellness Center (SC).

To enhance the knowledge and practices of healthcare personnel and officials in Ladakh, the National Health System Resource Center conducted a 2-day Internal Assessor Training for Medical Officers and paramedical Staff in collaboration with the UT's National Health Mission. This training took place from September 19th to September 20th, 2023.

The primary objective of the Internal Assessor training was to equip nominated officials of the UT to conduct Internal Assessments of their facilities. This initiative aimed to support the state and district QA teams in implementing the National Quality Assurance Standards across various levels of facilities and assist during state-level NQAS certification.

A total of 37 participants from Ladakh, including Block Medical Officers, Medical Officers, Specialists, Program Officers, and Paramedical staff, were nominated for the training. The training covered eight topics with three practical exercises for hands-on experience in applying specific quality tools.

The training commenced with an inaugural address by Dr. Mutop Dorjey, the Mission Director of NHM in Ladakh. He welcomed all the participants and provided an overview of the training's purpose and expectations. Dr. Dorzzi stressed the importance of participants taking a leading role in implementing NQAS in their respective facilities. He also briefed the participants on the current NQAS status in Ladakh and expressed hope for a significant improvement post-training.

A post-training evaluation was conducted in an open-book format to assess participants' competency. This evaluation included approximately 42 multiple-choice questions related to quality, patient safety, and the overall NQAS framework. Remarkably, 36 out of 37 participants (almost 97%) successfully cleared the post-evaluation exam. These individuals will now be enlisted as internal assessors within the existing pool of NQAS internal assessors in the UT.

The QA training programmes incorporate an internal evaluation mechanism, involving a Google feedback form shared with each participant via their WhatsApp group. Feedback received from the participants is then analyzed using a 5-point Likert scale. The overall rating for the training, based on participant feedback analysis, stood at an impressive 4.70 on the 5-point Likert scale.



## Agenda Internal Assessor Training & Implementation of NQAS in Ladakh

	Day 1-19th September 2023	
Time	Topic	Resource Person
8:45 AM - 09:15 AM	Registration	State
09:15 AM - <mark>09:30 AM</mark>	Inaugural & Welcome Address	State
09:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Key Concept of Quality & Quality Standard under NQAS-An Introduction	Dr. Chinmayee Swain, Sr Consultant-QPS, NHSRC
10.30 AM - 10:45AM	Tea Break	
10:45 AM – 01:00 PM	Measurement system and Assessment Protocols and Checklist	D <mark>r. Chinmayee Sw</mark> ain, Sr C <mark>onsultant-QPS, NH</mark> SRC
01:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Internal Assessment & Gap Analysis	Dr <mark>Ranjit Mandal, NH</mark> SRC
01:30 PM - 02:15 PM	Lunch	
02:15 PM - 03.30 PM	Case <mark>Study -1 (NQAS Sta</mark> ndard & Measurement System)	NHSRC & State Teams
03.30 PM-04:15 PM	Docume <mark>nts for apply</mark> ing in Odoo Portal	Dr Ranjit Mandal, NHSRC
04:15 PM – 04:30 PM	Tea Break	
04:30 PM - 05:30 PM	An Overview of th <mark>e Kayakalp</mark> Incentive Initiative	Dr. Chinmayee Swain, Sr Consultant-QPS, NHSRC
	Day 2-20 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	
09:00 AM - <mark>09:15 AM</mark>	Recap-Standard Identification exercise	NHSRC
09:15 AM - 10:30 AM	Standard G1-G3	Dr. Chinmayee Swain, Sr Consultant-QPS
10:45 AM - 11:00 AM	Tea Break	
11.00 AM – 11.45 AM	Standard G4-G6	Dr Ranjit Mandal, NHSRC
11:45 AM – 12:45 PM	Standard G7-G9	Dr. Chinmayee Swain, Sr Consultant-QPS, NHSRC
12:45 PM - 01:30 PM	Standard G 9-G10	Dr Ranjit Mandal, NHSRC

01:30 PM - 02:15 PM	Lunch Break	
02:15 PM - 03:30 PM	An Overview of Maternal Health &	Dr. Chinmayee Swain, Sr
	Child Health Initiatives under NQAS	Consultant-QPS, NHSRC
03:30 PM - 04:15 PM	Area of Concern H	Dr Ranjit Mandal, NHSRC
04:15 PM – 04:30 PM	Tea Break	
04:30 PM - 05:30 PM	Post-Training Evaluation	NHSRC



# **Brief of the sessions**

Topic	Brief
Key Concepts & Overview of the National Quality Assurance Programme  Dr Chinmayee Swain	The presentation encompassed essential Quality concepts, underscoring Quality's significance in healthcare. It also delved into the evolution of National Quality Assurance Standards and the framework for their effective implementation. The speaker provided insights into the diverse initiatives and schemes integral to the National Quality Assurance Programme, offering rationale and context. Additionally, the discussion covered all Areas of Concern, relevant standards, as well as departmental and thematic checklists.
Measurement System and Assessment Protocols and Checklist  Dr. Chinmayee Swain	The presentation encompassed an in-depth understanding of the Measurement system as stipulated by the National Quality Assurance standards. It provided a comprehensive description of the 8 Areas of Concern, along with the associated Standards, Measurable Elements, Checkpoints, and Means of Verification outlined within the NQAS framework. The discussion further elucidated the scoring system, emphasizing the three golden rules of scoring. Additionally, various assessment methods and departmental checklists at different levels of health facilities were discussed.
Internal Assessment & Gap Analysis Dr Ranjit Kumar Mandal	The session delved into the internal assessment framework and the methodology for classifying gaps, ensuring a structured internal assessment within the health facilities, followed by a comprehensive gap analysis. The topic outlined a systematic approach to action plans for closing identified gaps, emphasizing the prioritization of key actionable gaps. Additionally, the explanation of the District Hospital (DH) checklist for identifying gaps post-internal assessment was provided.
Procedures and Documentation for Certification application through the Odoo portal Dr. Ranjit Kumar Mandal	This session provided an in-depth exploration of the certification phases, thoroughly discussing each step of the entire process. It included an extensive overview of the prerequisites for both National and State Certifications under the NQAS, shedding light on the certification criteria, incentives, and awards associated with NQAS and LaQshya Certifications. Moreover, operational challenges in the diverse phases of the certification process were meticulously examined. The session also delved into the document requirements for different facility levels and featured a demonstration of the Odoo portal.

Overview of Kayakalp Incentive Initiatives  Dr. Chinmayee Swain	The session provided an overview of the Kayakalp Incentive Initiative and highlighted the recently introduced theme within Kayakalp. Significant attention was devoted to the newly added Eco-friendly theme, as well as other important concepts encompassed by Kayakalp. Additionally, the participants were informed about following the Kayakalp Activity Calendar, emphasizing its adherence.
Overview of LaQshya, MusQan	The session encompassed an orientation to the LaQshya
& Roll out of Quality Assurance under SUMAN	program, aiming to enhance intrapartum and immediate post-partum care during childbirth. Detailed discussions
Dr. Chinmayee Swain	were held on critical components outlined within the Labor, Delivery, and Recovery (LDR) concept, focusing on zoning in
	the operating theatre (OT), emphasizing the significance of Respectful Maternal Care, and elucidating the certification norms within LaQshya.
	Additionally, the Government of India has recently introduced quality initiatives for Child-friendly services
	(MusQan) in public health facilities, as well as SUMAN to ensure Basic service packages, BEmonC, and CEmonC facilities at these establishments.
	The speaker provided insights into the roadmap for NQAS certification of SUMAN Notified facilities.
Overview of Quality Management as per NQAS requirement	The session encompassed an extensive discussion on Standard G1 to G10, covering various aspects such as the quality team, PSS/ESS, EQAS, Process Mapping, and Quality tools. Additionally,
Dr Chinmayee Swain & Dr Ranjit Mandal	it highlighted the fundamental distinctions between Quality Methods and Quality Tools, delved into the Risk Management Framework, and stressed the significance of executing the Plan-Do-Check-Act cycle for enhancing and sustaining progress after the integration of interventions or process changes to achieve predetermined objectives. The session also provided practical insights into creating SMART Quality objectives for ongoing enhancement.
Overview of Standard H (Outcome Indicator)	The session discussed indicators associated with measuring Productivity, Efficiency, Safety & Clinical care, and Service Quality. We utilized the General Administration checklist of the District Hospital as a point of reference.
Dr Ranjit Kumar Mandal Post-Training Evaluation	District Hospital as a point of reference.  Following the training, a post-training evaluation of the participants was conducted. Based on this evaluation, eligible candidates will be selected and designated as Internal Assessors under the NQAS.

In addition to the aforementioned sessions, the training included practical exercises. For instance, Case Study -1 focused on NQAS Standard & Measurement System. Moreover, on Day 2 (20.09.2023), another exercise was carried out focusing on the Identification of Standards.

#### Feedback from the participants

#### A. The average score of feedback analysis is given below: -

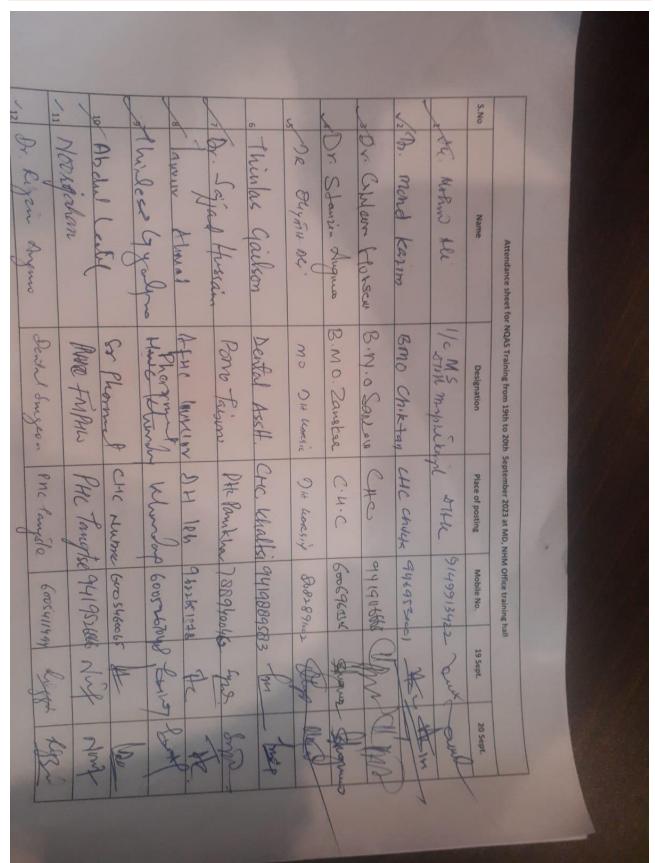
Feedback from participants was collected through Google form and the average score was 4.7 out of 5 on the Likert scale.

### B. Faculty-wise Feedback Analysis: -

Name	Average
Dr. Chinmayee Swain	4.70
<mark>D</mark> r Ranjit Kr Mandal	4.70



Annexure A
List of Participants



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# Annexure B NQAS INTERNAL ASSESSORS TRAINING: Union Territory of LADAKH

**List of Qualified Participants** 

C : 1	List	of Qualified Participants	
Serial No	Name	Designation	Certificate
1	Mr Asgar Ali	Designation Pharmacist DH Kargil	
2		Pharmacist H&WC (SC) Khardong	IA/2023/LA 2/01
3	Mr Thinless Gyalpo Mr Thinlas Gailson	Dental Assistant CHC Khaltse	IA/2023/LA 2/02
4			IA/2023/LA 2/03
<del>4</del> 5	Mohammed Ishaq	DPO NHM Kargil	IA/2023/LA 2/04
6	Mr Tanveer Ahmed	AFHC Counsellor	IA/2023/LA 2/05
7	Dr Norboo Angchuk	BMO Khaltse	IA/2023/LA 2/06
	Dr Jalil	BMO Kargil	IA/2023/LA 2/07
8	Mr Ghulam Murtaza	Dental Assistant	IA/2023/LA 2/08
9	Amina Khatoon	FMPHW PHC Chuchot	IA/2023/LA 2/09
10	Dr Sajjad Hussain	BMO Taisuru	IA/2023/LA 2/10
11	Dr Mohammed Imran	Dental Surgeon PHC Chuchot	IA/2023/LA 2/11
12	Dr Kunzang Chorol	Physiotherapist CHC Nubra	IA/2023/LA 2/12
13	Mr. Abdul Latif	Sr Pharmacist CHC NUBRA	IA/2023/LA 2/13
14	Dr Mohammed Kazim	BMO Chiktan	IA/2023/LA 2/14
15	Dr Rinchen Chosdol	BMO Leh	IA/2023/LA 2/15
16	Dr. Tsetan Dolkar	Pathologist SNM Leh	IA/2023/LA 2/16
17	Dr Tashi Tundup	BMO Nyoma	IA/ <mark>2023/L</mark> A 2/17
18	Dr Spalchen Gonbo	Consultant Pediatrician Khalt <mark>se</mark>	IA/2023/LA 2/18
19	Dr Chamba Laskit	BMO Nubra	IA/2023/LA 2/19
20	Dr Jigmet Wangchuk	Dy.MS SNM	IA/2023/LA 2/20
21	Dr Stanzin Angmo	Gynaecologist Consultant SNM LEH	IA/2023/LA 2/21
22	Dechan Dolkar	DPO NHM Leh	IA/2023/LA 2/22
23	Noorjahan	FMPHW PHC Tangtse	IA/2023/LA 2/23
24	Dr Oliyat Ali	MO DH Kargil	IA/2023/LA 2/24
25	Dr Stanzin Angmo	BMO Zanskar	IA/2023/LA 2/25
26	Dr <mark>Zahida Khatoon</mark>	BMO Shargole	IA/2023/LA 2/26
27	Dr Rin <mark>chen Angmo</mark>	State Consultant MCH	IA/202 <mark>3</mark> /LA 2/27
28	Dr Nasreen Fatima	MO Sankoo	IA/2023/LA 2/28
29	Hakima Banoo	State Consultant IEC	IA/2023/LA 2/29
30	Mr Abdul Rehman lone	OT Assitant CHC Drass	IA/2023/LA 2/30
31	Dr Ahsan Ali	MO CHC Drass	IA/2023/LA 2/31
32	Dr Tsering Chonzom	MO PHC Shargole	IA/2023/LA 2/32
33	Dr Ghulam Hussain	BMO Sankoo	IA/2023/LA 2/33
34	Dr Reyaz Ahmed	BMO Drass	IA/2023/LA 2/34
35	Dr Altaf Hussain	BMO Tangtse	IA/2023/LA 2/35
36	Dr Tsering Norphel	Consultant Pediatrician SNM LEH	IA/2023/LA 2/36