

ICAT's Procedure for Approval of AAT Products under PLI-Auto Scheme of MHI

Reference: This procedure is intended for applications to be submitted by various approved applicants under Production Linked Incentive (**PLI**) Scheme of MHI notified vide S.O. 3946(E), dated, 23rd September 2021, S.O. 3947(E), dated 23rd September 2021 & S.O. 4632 (E), dated 9th November 2021 for Automobile and Auto Component Industry in India (PLI-Auto).

1. The Approved Applicants (*list as per scheme portal <https://pliauto.in/guide/guidelines>*) to submit applications along with requisite documents specified in SOP issued by MHI at portal <https://pliauto.in> , using User-ID and Password.
2. Applicant to select AAT Product (*AAT vehicle or AAT component*) from list available on the portal.
3. Applicant to select Test Agency (TA) as **ICAT** in application at PLI-Auto Portal.
4. The applicant to ensure that all the documents including Excel files mentioned at Annexure-VIII of SOP issued by MHI are uploaded along with the application.
5. ICAT will send the **Checklist of submission of Documents by the Applicant**. The applicant to send the duly filled, signed and stamped checklist to ICAT for review & preliminary verification of submitted documents. ICAT may have online/physical meeting with applicant for any clarifications (*if needed*) before final action of TA on application.
6. ICAT may return the application in case there are major discrepancies or deficiencies of documents. E-mail communication will be sent to applicant by ICAT stating details of reasons of returning application.
7. In case application is accepted, ICAT will send formal quotations to applicant. Applicant to register the docket online through IOCS portal ([ICAT - IOCS](#)) to enable ICAT for issuance of Proforma Invoice (PI).

8. Applicant to acknowledge the PI and submit the advance payments online as per NEFT/Net banking details provided in PI or quotation.
9. Testing of AAT Vehicles (BEVs) is required to be done as per Performance Criteria notified in FAME India Scheme-Phase II. The AAT Components to be tested as per stipulated PLI-Auto Test Standard/Protocol.
10. Subsequent to satisfactory completion of documents verification & Desk Appraisal, ICAT will plan and conduct Field Visits {Plant Inspection Visits **(PIVs)**} as per SOP issued by MHI.
11. After successful completion of PIVs and receipt of all clarifications/documents/data, ICAT will issue the PLI-Auto Certificate *(having reference of PLI-Auto Eligibility Assessment Report)* to the applicant.
12. ICAT will conduct Techno-Commercial Audits **(TCAs)** within six (06) months from the date of application to verify whether the applied AAT product continues to comply with the requirements of PLI Auto Scheme Notification/Guidelines/ FAQs till the validity of initial PLI-Auto certificate.
13. In case of any clarifications *(if any)*, Mr. Pramod Chawla (pramod.chawla@icat.in) OR Mr. Harpreet S. Madaan (harpreet.singh@icat.in) OR Mr. Amit Karwal (amit.karwal@icat.in) may be contacted.
