

HALAL INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED, CHENNAI

QUALITY PROCEDURE

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PROCEDURE FOR APPEALS HANDLING

1. PURPOSE

To ensure that all appeals received on the services and decisions of HIPL-CD are redressed in timely manner.

2. SCOPE

This covers all appeals received on decisions taken by HIPL-CD in the certification process.

3. RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 Appeals Committee is responsible for handling appeals and satisfactorily resolving them.
- 3.2 DCO He is responsible for providing secretariat for the appeals committee.

4. PROCEDURE

4.1 Appeals committee

- 4.1.1 HIPL-CD has constituted a complaints committee with the following composition to oversee complaint handling process:
- 1. CEO as Chairman of the Committee
- 2. Head Operation- HIPL-CD
- 3. Islamic Affair Expert based on Nature of Complaint (if required)
- 4. Halal audit team who has done audit
- 5. DCO, Member Secretary of the Committee.

4.2 Appeal handling process

- **4.2.1** HIPL-CD receives, evaluates and makes decisions on appeals. HIPL-CD shall record and track appeals and actions undertaken to resolve them.
- **4.2.2** Upon receipt of an appeal, HIPL-CD confirms whether the appeal relates to certification activities for which it is responsible, and if so, shall deal with it.
- **4.2.3** HIPL-CD acknowledges receipt of a formal appeal.
- **4.2.4** HIPL-CD is responsible for gathering and verifying all necessary information (to the extent possible) to progress the appeal to a decision.



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- **4.2.5** The decision resolving the appeal shall be made by, or reviewed and approved by, appeals committee represented by person(s) not involved in the certification activities related to the appeal.
- **4.2.6** To ensure that there is no conflict of interest, personnel who have provided consultancy for, or been employed by a client, including those acting in a managerial capacity, shall not be used by HIPL-CD to review the resolution of appeal for that client within two years following the end of the consultancy or employment.
- **4.2.7** HIPL-CD gives formal notice of the outcome and end of the appeals process to the appellant.
- 4.2.8 HIPL-CD takes any needed subsequent action to resolve the appeal.

5. REFERENCES

HIPL-CD -PR7.13-01 Procedure for Handling Complaint

HIPL-CD -GL7.13-01 Guidelines for Appointment and Operation of Appeals Committee

HIPL-CD -PR7.13-02-FM-01 Format of Letter of acknowledging Appeal

HIPL-CD -PR7.13-02-FM-02 Format for Appeals Status Register

HIPL-CD -PR7.13-02-FM-03 Appeals Processing Form

HIPL-CD -PR7.13-02-FM-04 Format of letter informing the decision