

ACCESS OF DRDO TEST FACILITIES TO INDUSTRY

1. Introduction.

DRDO is developing critical Defence technologies and systems to cater the need of Indian Armed Forces and other agencies of Govt. The labs of DRDO have state-of-art infrastructure including 'Test Facilities'. It has been decided to provide access to these 'Test Facilities' on payment basis to Indian Private industries engaged in Defence manufacturing (including under 'Make in India' initiative).

2. Test Facilities of DRDO.

2.1 Proof & Field Firing Ranges

The access to 'Proof & Field Firing Ranges' of DRDO to Indian industries will be provided as per the SOP of Department of Defence Production under 'Test Facilities for Private Sector'. (Weblink:).

2.2 Special Purpose Test Facilities

The access to 'Special Purpose Test Facilities' of DRDO to Indian industries will be provided as per the SOP of respective DRDO Lab. Interested industries may approach through DRDO website www.drdo.gov.in under outreach.

3. List of Equipment.

The Zone wise list of test facilities is available on DRDO website at weblink <https://www.drdo.gov.in/test-facilities>.

4. Central Agency

Directorate of Industry Interface and Technology Management (DIITM), DRDO HQ will be the central agency at corporate level for industry interface.

5. Nodal Agency.

Each lab will nominate a nodal officer for dealing with enquiries from industries for testing. Lab will provide quarterly report to DIITM on testing carried out for industries. Industries are required to contact the concerned lab for testing.

6. Registration of private entities for use of test facilities.

Each lab may provide Test Facility to vendor already in their approved vendor list. For new private entities, registration is to be undertaken based on the credential /

track record of the entity. For the purposes of registration of vendor, the following information is to be sought along with documentary proof:-

- (a) Company Profile
- (b) IT returns for last 3 years.
- (c) Audited balance sheet / P&L statement for last 3 years.
- (d) PAN/TIN.
- (e) Verification will be carried out by the concerned DRDO lab.
- (f) Udyog Aadhar (if available)
- (g) Any other document if needed by the lab.

7. Steps for availing test facilities.

The following steps is to be followed for provisioning/availing test facilities to private industry:-

- (a) A registered private entity shall submit the end user certificate along with non disclosure declaration (to be provided by the concerned Lab) form with the test facility request.
- (b) Items meant for Indian defence applications including under "Make in India" initiative only are to be entertained for testing.
- (c) The request needs to be submitted to the concerned Lab by the private entity. The request should clearly indicate test specification for example weight and dimension of test specimen, test requirements, copy of test parameters, procedure & test set up which is to be followed for testing, etc. The private entity must also give the preferred date & time slot for testing well in advance.
- (d) The concerned Lab will examine the requirement and will ascertain whether the test can be undertaken. The slot availability along with quote will be communicated to the industry, in case the said test could be carried out by the lab.
- (e) The private entity will place a Service request including acceptance of payment as per the quote and handover the job at DRDO lab premises to carry out the test(s).
- (f) The test(s) will be carried out by DRDO personnel only.
- (g) The test results along with the job will be handed over to private entity.
- (h) Wherever there is requirement of Govt authorized QA/certification agency rep, the same is to be allowed.

- (j) Provision of interface structure for mounting of test sample on the system for vibration, acceleration etc is responsibility of the vendor. Special cables, if any required for connecting the system during the testing will also be responsibility of the vendor.

8. General Terms and Conditions.

- (a) The test services to private entities will be made available only in case of spare capacity, over and above meeting the internal needs.
- (b) All transportations of the job (including loading/unloading) from DRDO Lab premises is the responsibility of the private entity.
- (c) Personnel from private entities are required to produce proof of identity/ authorization letter.
- (d) Security checks will be done by security staff before moving the job to / from DRDO lab premises.
- (e) The testing charges are fixed and are generally on hourly basis.
- (f) The testing charges are applicable for standard test procedures. In case of additional tests, the additional charges will be suitably applicable depending on the job specifications and test required.
- (g) For cancellation of allotted slot, 25% of the testing charges will be forfeited.
- (h) DRDO will not be responsible for loss/damage to the job or equipment / instrument while carrying out the test(s).
- (i) If any damage occurs to equipment/property/personnel resulting from the testing of the job of private entity, the private entity should bear the expenses in repair/replacement of the facility. All necessary insurance coverage of the job will be the responsibility of the private entity.
- (j) The test results provided by the DRDO lab are final and no requests for revision of the test results shall be entertained.