CALF, National Dairy Development Board Initiates 'Proficiency Testing (PT)' Service

CALF, the multi-disciplinary laboratory of NDDB, has recently set up a state-of-the-art facility to provide Proficiency Testing services under FSSAI-NRL (National Reference Laboratory) and is ready to offer Proficiency Testing services in Chemical and Microbiological testing of Food and Feed. CALF has been accredited by NABL (National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories) to be a Proficiency testing provider, vide certificate no.: PC-1051 as per ISO/IEC 17043:2010 "Conformity Assessment – General Requirements for Proficiency Testing".

The scope of accreditation covers several product categories like milk & milk products, nutritional foods (Infant milk substitute, cereal-based complimentary foods, dietary supplements, malted milk foods & nutraceutical foods), cattle feed & poultry feed, premixes, fats & oils, etc. CALF will provide Proficiency Testing services to different food and feed testing laboratories across India including dairy cooperatives.

Proficiency Testing is a very important QC tool for every testing laboratory and helps them in evaluating competency. It gives confidence in the laboratory equipment, methods and staff, and also assures that laboratory is delivering the quality results. Further, Proficiency Testing is mandatory for testing laboratories to obtain and maintain NABL accreditation.

