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“Procedures for exPort of food Products from India: mandate and role of eIC”

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INDIA'S TRADE PERFORMANCE

India's Merchandise Trade (Value in US \$ Billion)



Source: DGCI&S

Merchandise Exports touched US \$ 302.8 billion and rebounded with a growth of 9.78% in 2017-18 vis-a-vis 2016-17.

India's Services Trade (Value in US \$ Billion)



Source: DGCI&S

In 2017-18 (Apr-Feb) Services Exports contributed US \$ 175.3 billion and Imports remained at US \$ 105.7 billion, leaving a surplus of US \$ 69.7 billion.

INDIA'S TRADE PERFORMANCE

Total Exports & Imports (Merchandise + Services) (Value in US \$ Billion)



Source: RBI and DGCI&S

Total* Exports rebounded with a growth of 8.9% in 2017-18. Total* Imports registered a positive growth of 17.8% in 2017-18
 * Services figure are till April to February, 2018

Growth (%) in Total Exports & Imports (Merchandise and Services)



Source: RBI and DGCI&S

Trade Perspectives and Requirements

International

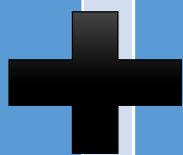
Regional

National

International Trade-Changing the Focus and Adding More and More Stringent Requirements



Consumer
Safety



Food Safety



Biosecurity

Codex Principles of National Food Control System: Food Safety Indicators for Evaluation

1 • Protection of Consumers

2 • The Whole Food Chain Approach

3 • Transparency

4 • Roles and Responsibilities

5 • Consistency and Impartiality

6 • Risk based, Science based and Evidence based Decision Making

7 • Cooperation and Coordination between Multiple Competent Authorities

8 • Preventive Measures

9 • Self Assessment and Review Procedures

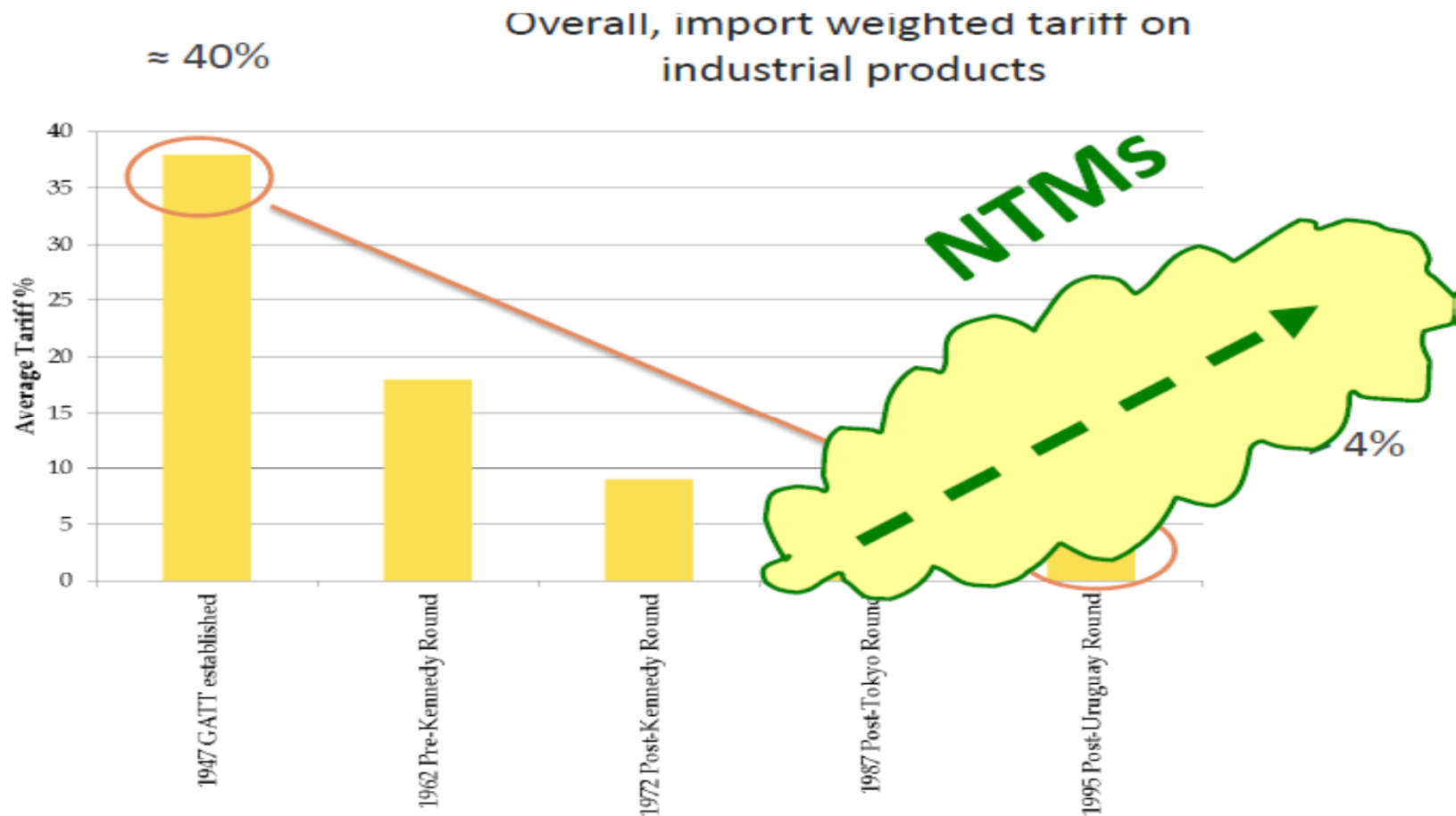
0 • Recognition of other Systems

1 • Legal Foundation

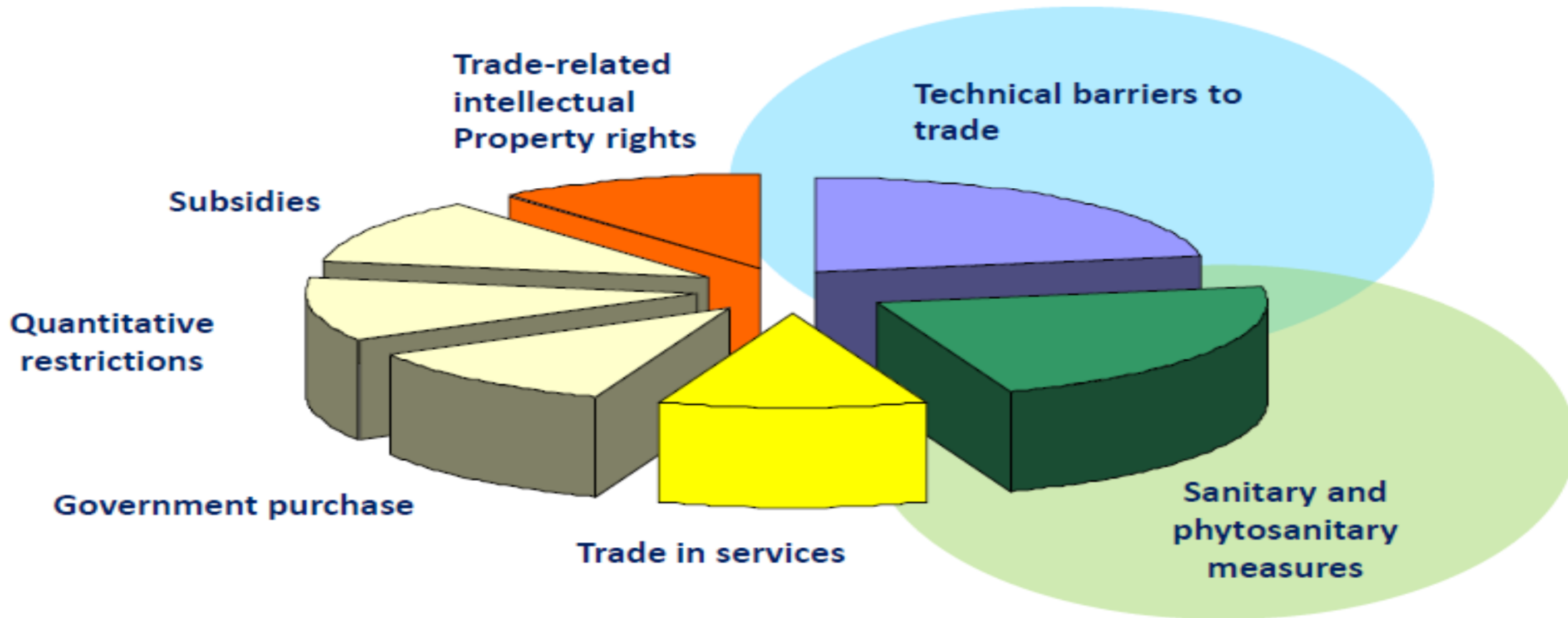
2 • Harmonization

3 • Resources

Standards as Non tariff measures



Non tariff measures

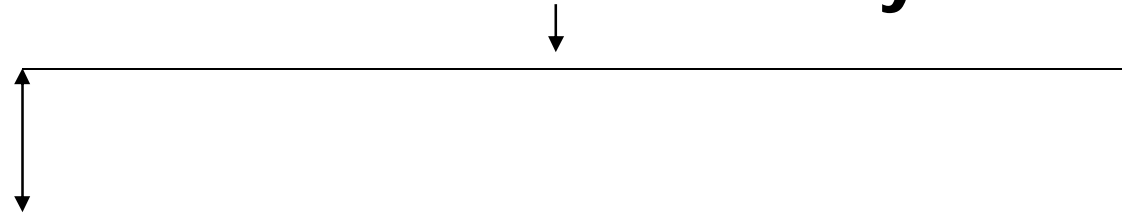


Policy and Governance: Export of Food Products

- **Law of Land: Mandatory Certification**
- **Certificate for Export (CFE)**
- **MRA:MOU with Trade Partners (Competent Authority)**
- **Health Certificate (HC)**
- **Analysis Test Report (Demonstrating Compliance)**
- **Catch Certificate**
- **National Residues Control Program(NRCP)**
- **Animal Disease Monitoring Control Program**

Food Control System of India

National Food Control System



Domestic + Imports

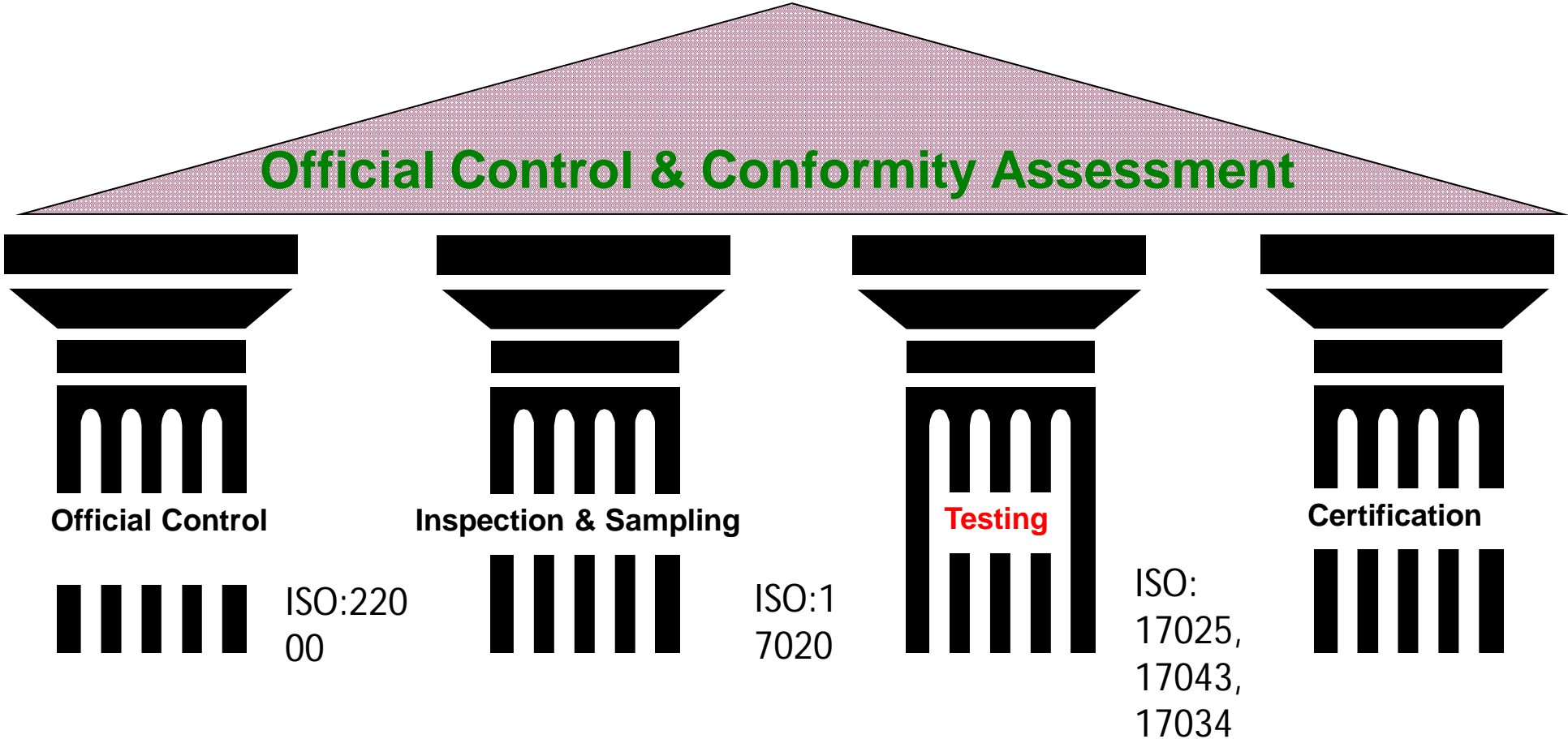
Exports

Food Safety & Standards Authority of India

Export Inspection Council of India



Use of Accreditation



Other Measures: Trade Restriction & Market Access

- Origin of Country
- Authenticity of Food
- Rules of origin
- Conformity Assessment
- Unfair Trade Practice issue
- Consumer Deceptive Practice
- Trade Agreements
- Private Standards



Regulatory Compliance Issues (Sampling + Analytical Challenges)

Sampling

1. Heterogeneity/Homogeneity
2. Sample Transportation
3. Sample Information
4. Sample conditions on receipt
5. Technical Competence of Sampler
6. Accreditation

Analysis

1. Representative of Lot
2. Sample Integrity
3. Reporting of Results
4. Fit for Purpose
5. Fit for Analysis

1. Regulatory Compliance

Increasing Challenges for compliance in export Trade

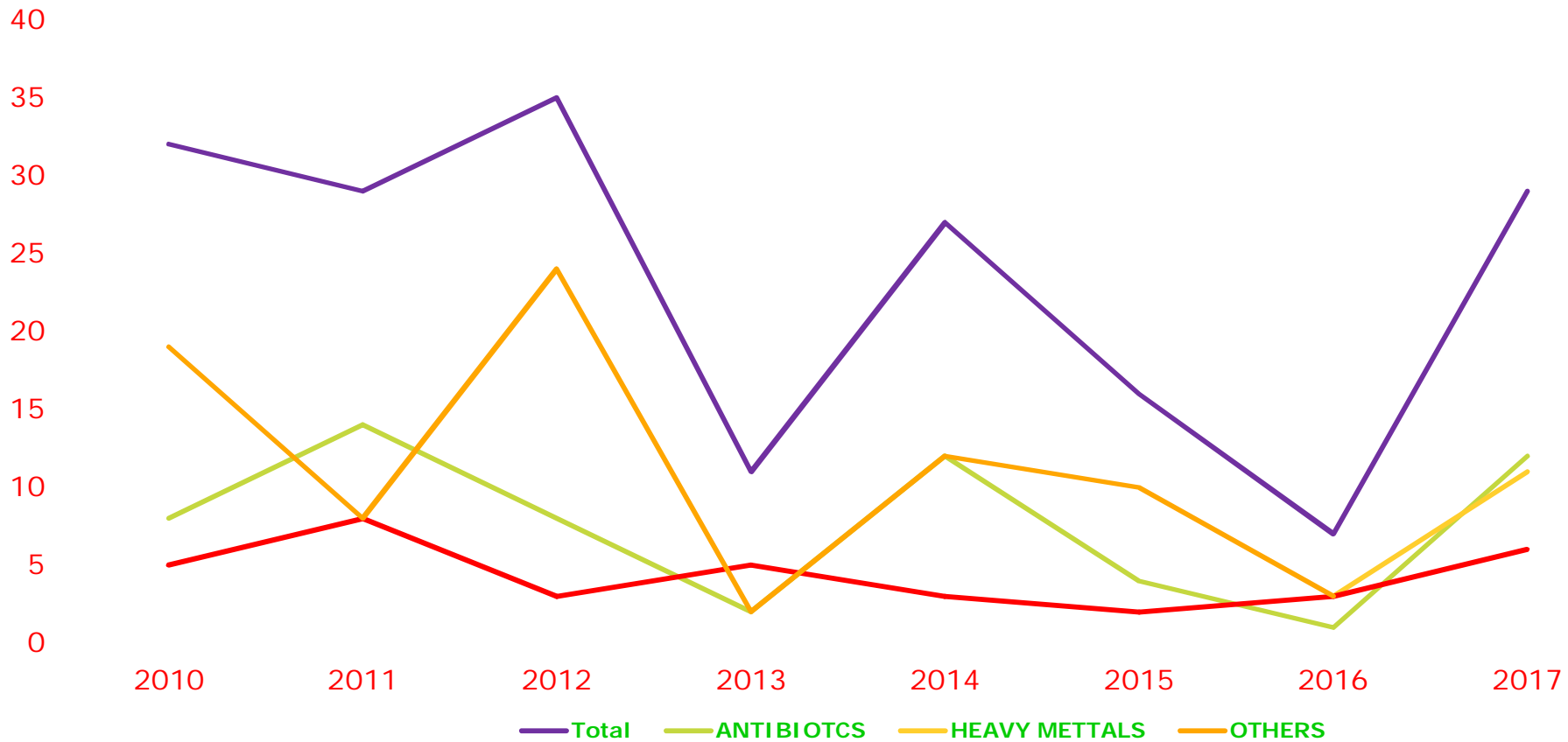
- Compliance to standards of importing countries (Dynamic in Nature)
- Changing regulatory requirements
- Credible export certification system
- Official Control on Primary Production (Huge Numbers)
- Maintaining Traceability
- Capacity building (Infrastructure and human resources)

Increasing Standards : Trade Restriction & Market Access

- Default MRL (Antibiotics)
- Detection below MRPL (Prohibited Antibiotics)
- Stringent Limit (Micro)
- Stringent ML (Heavy Metal)
- Dioxins & PCBs
- Residual Radio Active Matter
- **Free from Viral Disease**
- Aquaculture Shrimps
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- Sea Food
- Sea Caught Material
- Animal Feed/Guar Gum
- Fisheries products
- **Aquaculture Shrimps Based on**

Even System Equivalence Exist : Unwarranted Control Measures (Increased Frequency and Delisting of Units)

RASFF Complaints for Fishery Products : Case study



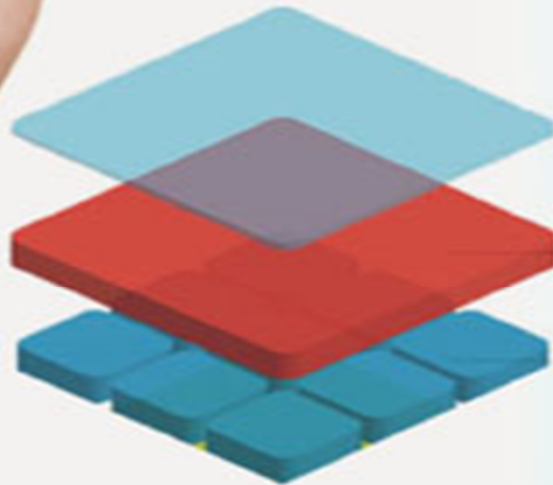
Export (Quality Control & Inspection) Act, 1963
EIC is a Competent Authority for Export Certification

- ▶ Tech Competent for Q.C, Insp. & Certification
- ▶ Powers to obtain information from exporter
- ▶ Powers to enter and inspect
- ▶ Power to take legal Action
- ▶ Powers to search
- ▶ Powers to seize commodities / conveyances
- ▶ Delegation of powers
- ▶ Powers to make Rules



Three Tier Surveillance

- **Monitoring Visits**
- **Supervisory Visit**
- **Corporate Audit**



Use of International standards by EIC

- ▶ **Inspection** : Required Accreditation as per ISO:17020 (Inspection Agencies)
- ▶ **Testing**: Required Accreditation as per ISO: 17025 (Testing and Calibration Labs)
- ▶ **Certification**: Required Accredited Certification as per ISO: 22000/HACCP, 9001, 14001 etc. (Industry)

Recognition & Demand of Accreditation

National Level



Food Safety and Standards
Authority of India



Commodity Boards, BIS, DCI
Other National Regulators

International Level



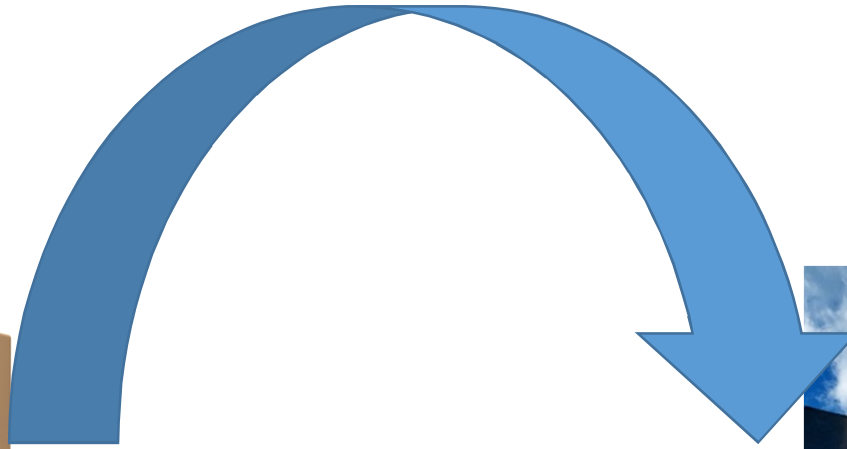
TBT and SPS Agreements
Trade Dispute Settlement
Market Access (NTMs/NTBs)



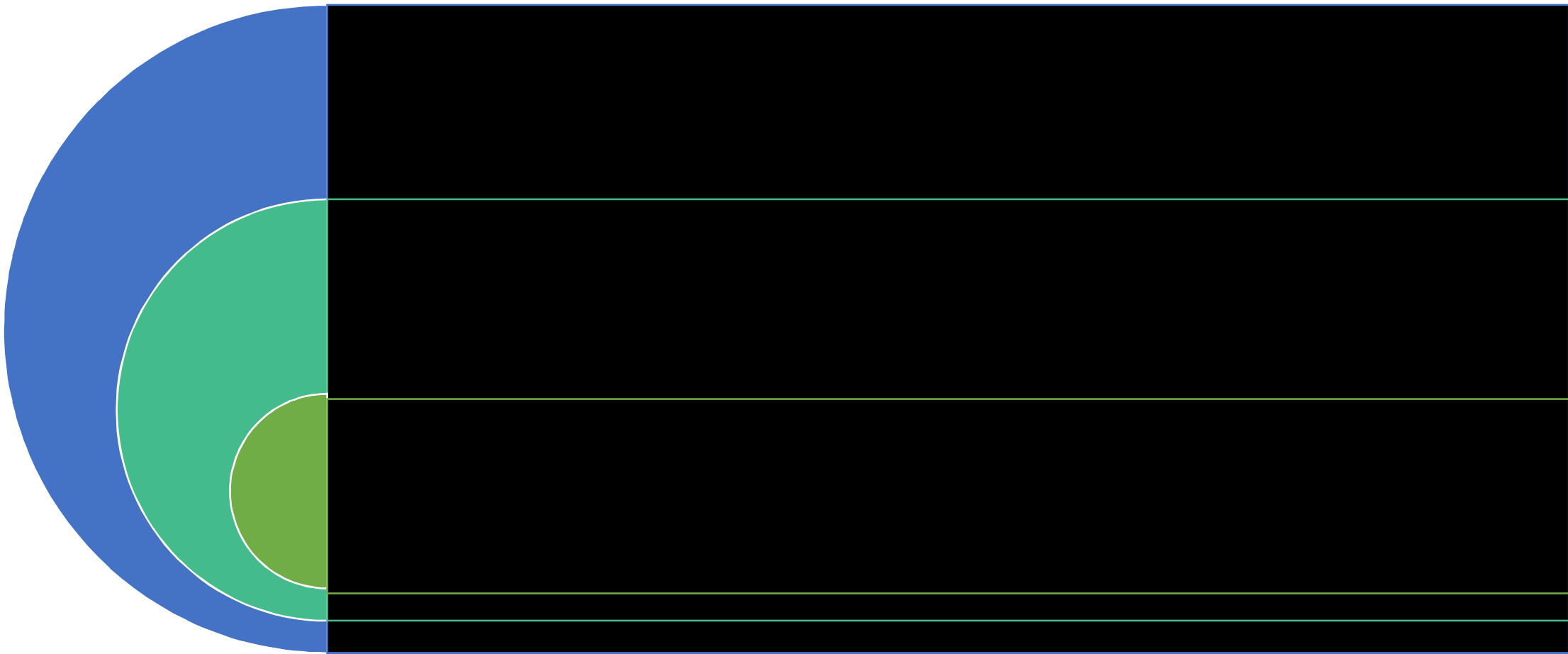
TRANSFORMATION IN ROLE OF EIC

- Regulator

Regulator cum Facilitator



TRADE FACILITATION INITIATIVES OF EIC



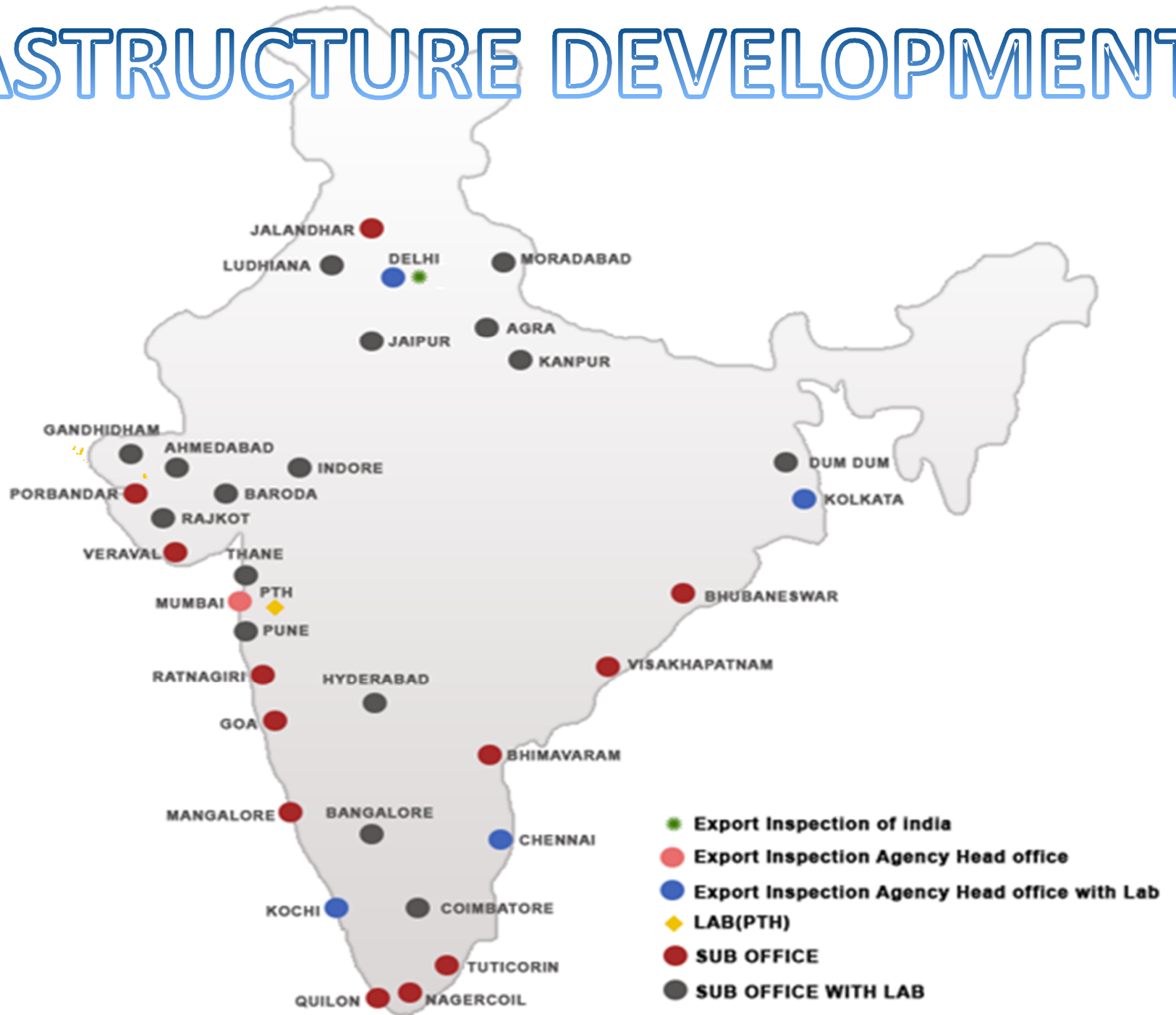
Digital initiatives of EIC on 3rd April 2018



1Lab 1 Assessment



INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT







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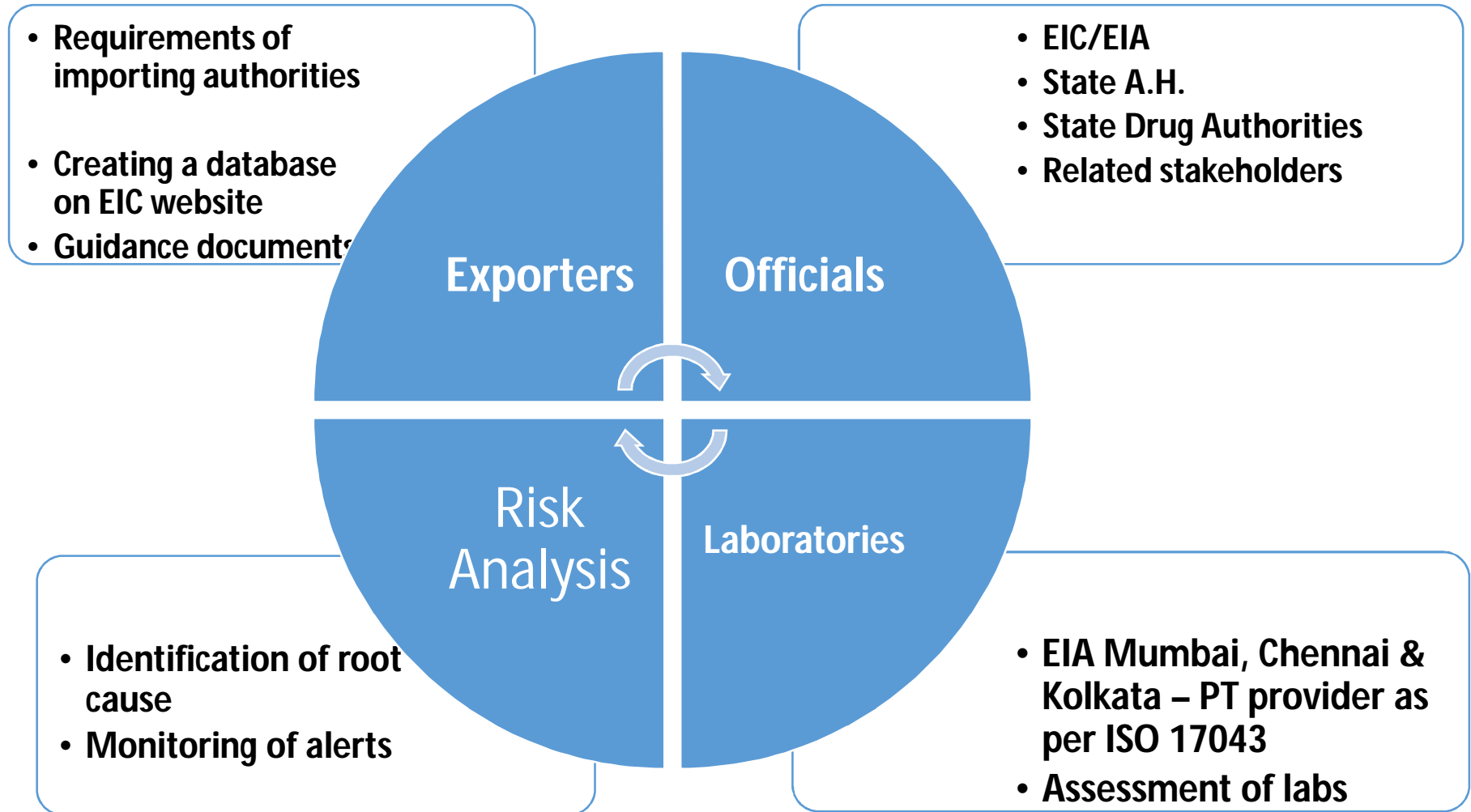
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