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Sub: Acceptance of laboratory tested material & verification of authenticity of test certificate

In one of the case, during vigilance check, it was observed that NABL accredited labs test certificates submitted by the material supplier were found to be fake.

Had the authenticity of the test certificate been done at the time of acceptance of material, it could have been detected that the test certificates were fake. But, in this case, authenticities of test certificates were not verified by the consignee at the time of acceptance of material.

When, vigilance department contacted the NABL lab for the authenticity of test certificates, it were learnt that test certificates supplied by the firm were fake.

As applicable, effective testing of material to be ensured by specifying proper grade, specification, standards, sampling procedure etc during the material to be procured and samples to be tested.

Also, it is essentially rational and logical to verify the authenticity of test certificate by contacting issuing laboratory/ authority by E-mail/ telephonically/ by other written correspondence etc. It is important that the records of such verification of authenticity of test certificate must be recorded and proper records to be maintained in file.

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