**Introduction on Standard Requirements**

1. **Standard Requirement :**

* Chapter 4.4 of Section 4A Certification Process- Group Certification provided requirements on the internal inspections
* Internal inspection to be carried out at the member farmer level to assess the adequacy and compliance of applicable Control Points and Compliance Criteria Checklists (Section 111: FR: 01 Annexure 3A) .
* ALL Farm Base, Crops Base and Agro Bio Diversity plus.
* Other applicable modules like Fruits &Vegetables, Combinable Crops, Spices, Tea or Coffee.
* Inspection to be carried by qualified internal inspector of the group, who are qualified as per the Inspectors Qualification Matrix.
* Internal inspector shall be independent of the area being inspected
* Any non-conformancesraised during the internal inspection to be closed by the member farmer or producer group before scheduling Groups internal audit.
* The inspection report is to be made available to the Group’s internal auditor and also to the certification body auditors during external audit.

1. **Internal Inspector Qualifications:**

* Chapter 5 of Section 4 A, provides requirements on the qualification of inspectors. It is most important to see that whether internal inspectors meet the qualification requirements before he is approved for carrying out of Internal Inspections.
* Details of qualifications and experience are provide under Document Title

“Inspectors Qualification Matrix”