

**POLICY FOR EVALUATION OF ALGORITHM AND SECURITY DEVICES
(OFFERED BY PRIVATE VENDORS).**

1. Competent Authority has granted the approval for evaluation of all types of Security devices (offered by private vendors) directly from National Telecommunication and Information Technology Security Board (NTISB). This will help private vendors to attain the Indigenous capabilities for production/ selling of Ciphering Equipment thus encouraging the civil Vendors to invest in Ciphering Technology. Evaluated equipment with requisite degree of Security Classification and Certification will be readily available in market for induction by Public as well as Private users.

2. **Processing of Case for Evaluation.** Steps required to be followed to process the case for evaluation from NTISB, Cabinet Division : -

Step-I. Vendor will initiate request to NTISB, Cabinet Division through an official letter signed by the CEO/ Head of the firm along with details of equipment (Required to be evaluated) on following mail address: -

**Assistant Secretary-1 (NTISB),
Room Number 1034, 1st Floor, Cabinet Block,
Cabinet Division, Islamabad.**

Official Email:- asntisb@cabinet.gov.pk

Ph # 051-9103543

Fax # 051-9051489

Step-II. NTISB will forward the request to its designated evaluation laboratories for acceptance / conformation of available time slot.

Step-III. After acceptance of request by evaluation laboratory, NTISB will coordinate for meeting of vendor with evaluation laboratory for handing over of equipment / documents.

Step-IV. Evaluation of Cryptographic and IT Security Equipment will be done on payment basis as per following rates in given time frame as mentioned against each:-

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| a. | Documents Evaluation (2x Weeks time) - | Rs. 0.2 Mn |
| b. | Algorithm Evaluation (2-3 Months time) - | Rs. 1 Mn |
| c. | Equipment Evaluation Include Algorithm -
(4-6 Months time) | Rs. 2 Mn |

Vendor to deposit required amount directly to concern evaluation laboratory as per agreed procedure/ timelines.

Step-V. After completion of Evaluation process, NTISB, Cabinet Division will grant “Certification/ NOC” to concerned Vendor/ OEM as per recommendations of evaluation laboratory.

Step-VI. Once evaluation of equipment is finalized and handed over to concern vendor, the same equipment (if required) with up-gradation will be accepted again for evaluation as a fresh case.