



CREDIBILITY ALLIANCE
Improving Governance Building Trust



ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

Wish to save accreditation cost?

We are happy to announce a new initiative by **Credibility Alliance** - a special **Accreditation Drive with the help of a grant from Canadian High Commission** to be implemented in the year 2010. Under this initiative, **Credibility Alliance** gives a **waiver of accreditation fees** to small and medium NGOs. **This is a saving of Rs9600 for small level NGOs and Rs14600 for medium level NGOs!**

Eligible organisations **do not have to contribute towards**

- Credibility Alliance costs and
- Assessor charges and outstation travel

Organisations only need to arrange for the local travel and lodging/boarding of the Credibility Alliance's assessors.

WHO CAN AVAIL

- Small / medium level voluntary organisation. (Organisation with annual receipts up to Rs 25 Lakhs is termed as small and above Rs 25 lakhs upto Rs 1 Crore is termed as medium)
- Organisation complying with minimum or desirable norms set by Credibility Alliance.
- This drive is limited to the grant received by Credibility Alliance. Applications will be accepted on first come first served basis.

BENEFITS OF ACCREDITATION:

1. Strengthens governance in your organisation;
2. Enhances transparency and accountability of your organisation;
3. Gets preference from the donor community;
4. Recognises as organisation committed to ensuring accountability, good governance and transparency, as the social sector now mandates;
5. Accesses to various capacity building agencies;
6. Opportunities to influence the policies and procedures of grant-making agencies including the government by belonging to a collective; and
7. Broadens networking opportunities with Credibility Alliance members, CSR wings and donor organisations, through ongoing activities and platforms CA is to launch.

IMPORTANT DATES IN 2010

- **31st January** - Application for Accreditation with filled assessment form & the required documents
- **15th February** - Completion of Desk Review
- **28th February** - Completion of Assessors' visit
- **31st March** - Completion of the Accreditation process

Accreditation Form:

STEP 1: Please go through the Credibility Alliance website at <http://www.credall.org.in/norms/norms.htm> and check whether you are complying with all the minimum norms;

STEP 2: If you have complied with the minimum norms, fill in the word document of the **Accreditation Assessment Form-Step II** available at http://www.credall.org.in/downloads_resources/downloads_resources.htm or write at accreditation@credall.org.in.

In case you have a problem complying with the norms or filling the form, please inform immediately at accreditation@credall.org.in. We will send a Credibility Alliance representative to your NGO to help you fill up the form;

STEP 3: Send in soft copies of the form to accreditation@credall.org.in;

STEP 4: Once we approve the soft copies, send in hard copies of the form along with all relevant documents;

STEP5: Your form and documents will undergo desk review to know if you are eligible for Credibility Alliance accreditation.

During self-assessment and desk review, you will also know if you are not complying with any of the Credibility Alliance norms. We will provide all help needed to comply with the norms;

STEP 6: A team of independent assessors will visit your organisation. They will spend 2-3 days to verify the documents, meet and interview the board, staff and run the necessary checks. They will submit their report back to Credibility Alliance;

STEP 7: Depending on the feedback you get from Credibility Alliance, you may have to take necessary steps. For example, if you are not including financial disclosures in your Annual Report, you need to do it in the upcoming Annual Report; and

STEP 8: After you have complied all the necessary norms, the Central Accreditation Committee of Credibility Alliance will decide and certify your organisation as accredited.

For more clarifications, please write to ed@credall.org.in or accreditation@credall.org.in or call at 022 23894046/47.

Please Note: Organisations already or in the accreditation process need not apply again.