

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can refer the cases to Central Forensic Science Laboratory CBI?

Any law enforcement agency of the Central and State government in India can refer the case in writing to CFSL CBI. In addition, courts can also refer cases to CFSL CBI. Priority will be given to CBI, NIA and Court directed cases.

Any fee to be paid to avail the services of Central Forensic Science Laboratory CBI?

No fee is required to be paid.

How long CFSL CBI will take to report cases?

There is no fixed time limit to complete the cases, as it is depending on the nature and the complexity of the issues required to be probed, voluminous nature of the case and the pendency of cases.

How cases are received and reported in CFSL CBI?

A written request by a competent authority addressed to Director CFSL CBI New Delhi for a forensic examination along with the exhibits are sent by a messenger.

Case file is opened against the request and internally forwarded to the head of the division concerned and the case is assigned to any reporting officer of the division. Case is then reported by the officer assigned.

How cases are reported in CFSL CBI?

The case is reported by an officer of the rank of Group A Gazetted Officer i.e. Senior Scientific Officer Grade II & above, with the assistance of a team of experienced Senior Scientific Assistant and Laboratory Assistant. Before finalizing and forwarding the case report to the forwarding authority, the report is being duly recommended by the Head of Division and finally submitted for approval of Director, CFSL. The reporting officer has to depose before the court as and when summoned by the Hon'ble courts.

The reporting officer is the custodian of the crime exhibits as well as the case file, till the case is reported. After reporting the case, exhibits are handed over to the forwarding authority and case file is sent to CASE SECTION, which maintains the entire records of cases received, reported and closed.

The universally vetted methods of analysis are being adopted in the laboratory followed by cross validation & random quality checking process.

Who is the competent authority to seek the forensic support?

The officer of the rank of Superintendent of Police and above only can request for the forensic services. In case of Metropolitan Cities, Assistant Commissioner of Police and above can request, in writing.

CFSL CBI is accredited by any institution/agency?

CFSL CBI is accredited by National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration of Laboratories NABL.

CFSL CBI is notified under section 79 A of IT Act?

No. As on date (29.02.2020) CFSL CBI is not notified under section 79 A of IT Act 2000.

How to get a copy of the forensic report of CFSL CBI New Delhi?

Forensic reports are submitted only to the forwarding authority of the case and the copy of same cannot be provided as it is exempted under section 8 (1) (h) of the RTI Act 2005.

Who are all decorated the chair of Director CFSL CBI New Delhi?

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| 1. Late Dr. HL Bami | 1968-1982 |
| 2. Shri. VN Seghal | 1982-1996 |
| 3. Dr. SR Singh | 1996-2007 |
| 4. Dr. Bibha Rani Ray | 2007-2010 |
| 5. Dr. Rajinder Singh | 2010-2016 |
| 6. Shri. N Ravi (in charge) | 2016-2018 |
| 7. Shri. NB Bardhan | 2018 onwards |