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**Extract from the National Education Act B.E. 2542 (1999)
and Ministerial Regulation on Educational Quality Assurance B.E. 2561 (2018)**

(Relevant Sections Only for Governance Evidence)

1. Legal Basis

Educational Quality Assurance (QA) is mandated by the National Education Act B.E. 2542 (1999) and its amendments, as well as the Ministerial Regulation on Educational Quality Assurance B.E. 2561 (2018).

2. Establishment of Internal and External Quality Assurance Systems

Educational institutions at all levels are required by law to establish and implement both Internal and External Quality Assurance systems in accordance with ministerial regulations.

Internal Quality Assurance must be integrated as an integral and continuous part of educational administration and management processes.

3. Duties and Responsibilities

- The Ministry: Responsible for promoting and overseeing all levels and types of education, defining policies, plans, and standards, and monitoring educational management.
- Parent Organizations / Governing Bodies: Responsible for establishing educational standards aligned with national policies, supporting institutions, analyzing Self-Assessment Reports (SAR), and coordinating external quality assessment.
- Educational Institutions: Required to establish an internal QA system, define institutional standards, formulate and implement educational development plans, conduct internal audits, and submit an annual SAR to the parent organization. Findings from both internal and external assessments must be used for continuous improvement.

Source: National Education Act B.E. 2542 (1999) and Ministerial Regulation on Educational Quality Assurance B.E. 2561 (2018), Government Gazette, Kingdom of Thailand.