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To,
The Editor

Sir,

Given below is the press note on meeting of IIA Delegation with Chief Secretary for publication / broadcasting in your prestigious News paper / Channel.

Press Note

- **Manufacturers of Disposable Crockery Manufacturers and Traders will not be harassed- Assures Chief Secretary**
- **Udyog Bandhu Institution will be strengthened and made effective- said Chief secretary U.P**
- **Making Industrial land available for setting up Industries in U.P is Government Priority- Chief Secretary U.P**

Indian Industries Association Delegation lead by its National President Mr Sunil Vaish met Chief Secretary Uttar Pradesh Mr Rajiv Kumar in his office to discuss important issues / proposals related to industrial development in the state. IIA Delegation comprised of Ex- Presidents Mr Sanjay Kaul, Mr V.K.Agarwal, Mr Tarun Kheterpal, Mr Anil Gupta, Mr G.C.Chaturvedi & Mr manish Goel . General Secretary IIA Mr K.K.Agrawal was also present in the delegation.

National President IIA and IIA delegation submitted following views and proposals to the Chief Secretary:

1. To review the van on production and sale of Plastic Crockery

In an Order of Chief Secretary dated 15th August 2017, van has been imposed on the production and sale of Plastic Crockery which is in contradiction with the earlier order of the Principal Secretary , Environment dated 17th February 2016. President IIA requested Chief Secretary to review its order dated 15th August 2017 to save large number of industries from extinction. Chief Secretary , assured to look into the matter and assured that Palstic Crockery manufacturers and Traders will not be harassed.

2. Improving Ease of doing business

Recognised as central to global competitiveness and to economic growth, lack of it affects managerially deficient MSMEs even more profoundly. There is crying need for putting in place a comprehensive grievance redressal and feedback mechanism at national level, elaborately backed by IT backbone. Any entrepreneur anywhere should be able to register his complaint against any government office. Once on the portal it will go through a clearly defined process in time bound manner and remain live on the system until it is disposed off either way.



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In the meantime, UP has had an institution- Udyog Bandhu which as on date is more or less dysfunctional at all levels.

IIA and its predecessor NAYE can vouch that until such time as Hon'ble CMs attended Udyog Bandhu meetings on a periodic basis and addressed concerns of the industry, this forum remained particularly effective and helpful to Industries including MSMEs in getting their pending issues sorted out. Perhaps the leadership of the CMs used to send right signals in the entire administration far and near that industries had to be supported by one and all. In the light of the above experience, President IIA said that we are of strong belief that this one measure of the Hon'ble Chief Minister Chairing State Level Udyog Bandhu meeting once in 3 Months on select issues of policy and enterprises will go a long way in creating immense visibility for the state as a serious contender for industrial development. Alongside it will improve ease of doing business as no other step will.

Chief Secretary assured IIA Delegation that he will look into it and take suitable actions to strengthen the Udyog Bandhu as well as to make it effective.

3. Non availability of land for setting up new industries in U.P

IIA Delegation appraised Chief Secretary that developed land for setting up new industries is not readily available in U.P as on date. The new Industrial Policy has proposed several options to develop land for setting up industries. Obviously the results will take quite a few years to materialise. As such President IIA proposed that Lease Hold Industrial land be allowed to be converted to Free Hold with a stipulation that there will be no change in land use. There are a number of enterprises which hold land in excess of their current requirement and at the same time face financial crunch to run their businesses. Many of them will sell a part of their land, raise cash and smoothly run their business as a result. This measure will make available quite a few plots for setting up of new units and ease scarcity in the short term. It may not be out of place to mention here that residential plots in the past have been converted to freehold, streamlining the process to a large extent. Chief Secretary assured IIA delegation to look into this proposal favourably.

4. Make in U.P

President IIA asked State Government that the "Make in U.P" mission should be implemented on the lines of "Make in India" .Likewise preference may be given in public procurement from Industries within the state over goods from outside U.P. Relevant Government Order released by Government of India in June this year was given the Chief Secretary. Chief Secretary looked at the Government of India G.O carefully and assured IIA delegation to study the proposal of IIA for suitable action in the State.

5. Delay in payments for supplies from Micro & Small Industries to Govt. Departments and State PSU's

President IIA and the members of IIA delegation informed Chief Secretary that Government Departments and State PSU's are one of the biggest purchaser of Goods manufactured by Micro and Small Industries . Invariably, the payments for the goods / supplies made by Micro and Small Industries to Government Department and State PSU's are delayed which results in financial crises in MSI's. Micro and Small Industries hesitates in going to MSE Facilitation Council for the recovery of the delayed payments due the fear of loosing further orders from the department / PSU.



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President IIA therefore proposed that Government of Uttar Pradesh as a policy should ensure that the payments for the goods supplied by MSIs to Government Departments / State PSU's are not delayed beyond 45 days from the date of receipt of the supplies failing which the penal interest as stated in the MSMED Act 2006 should be paid by the department and the Officers responsible for the delay should be held responsible. On this issue also Chief Secretaries response was positive.

6. MSME Udyami Mahasammelan of Uttar Pradesh

IIA has been organising MSME Udyami Mahasammelan once every year with Hon,ble Chief Minister as the Chief Guest on the occasion. President IIA submitted that this year this Mahasammelan is proposed to be held in December 2017, as such State Government should take active part in it.

In the end , it was decided that such meeting with the Chief Secretary and all Departmental Heads related to Industries will be held regularly with the objective to create congenial industrial atmosphere in the state and to resolve the issues & problems of the Industry .

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