

Procedural simplification mooted for enterprises in Uttar Pradesh

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Taking serious note of longstanding demand of entrepreneurs, business houses and industrial associations, government of Uttar Pradesh has started the process for simplification and rationalization of procedural formalities to set up enterprises in the State. In a high level meeting chaired by Infrastructure and Industrial Development Commissioner (IIDC), Anil K Gupta, departments concerned were directed to start the process immediately and revert back in a week's time with a shortlist of forms required. Regarding applications pending beyond timeline, strong directions have been issued to departments to process them within two weeks. It was informed that Chief Secretary would also be reviewing the issues concerned in future.

IIDC, Anil K Gupta has given directions to the 'Nivesh Mitra' nodal officers from twelve departments to study all possibilities of minimizing number of procedural forms required to be submitted by entrepreneurs to set up new industrial units as well as existing units for expansion, etc. Delegation of power to approve clearances was also considered. It may be noted that Nivesh Mitra is a web-based single window clearance system for entrepreneurs and functional in 45 districts of Uttar Pradesh. Nivesh Mitra provides services for 12 departments with facility of online submission of 35 forms, status monitoring by entrepreneur as well as senior government officials alongwith online payment of application fees.

IIDC, Anil K Gupta said, "State government is keen to improve the ease of doing business in Uttar Pradesh leading to industrial development and hence, it is imperative to simplify procedures to that end." He added that government is actively working on e-Biz Mission Mode Project of Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India as a one-stop-shop single window clearance system to prospective investors to further build a congenial environment for industrial and infrastructure development.

Special Secretary, Industrial Development and Joint Director, Udyog Bandhu, Kaushal Raj Sharma informed that since October last year around 16,841 applications pertaining to different departments were received from entrepreneurs through Nivesh Mitra, of which 1,562 were pending beyond timeline specified. He said that departments concerned had been directed to clear pending applications within 15 days otherwise strict action would be taken as Chief Secretary himself would be reviewing the matters related to process of clearances, approvals and No Objection Certificates (NoCs) required for setting up enterprises.