

Web-based Single window clearance facility extended to entire Uttar Pradesh

- ***‘Nivesh Mitra’- Advanced online system of single window clearances for entrepreneurs mandatory for all enterprises sans Micro***
- ***e-submission of application forms & fee; vigorous online monitoring enabled at all levels***

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Latest in the series of measures to improve ‘doing business’ environment in Uttar Pradesh, unique seamless online facility- ‘Nivesh Mitra’ has been extended to all districts and kinds of enterprises in Uttar Pradesh.

The government order issued to this effect names thirty districts which were outside the purview of Nivesh Mitra earlier, but now the facility has been extended to all seventy-five districts and made **mandatory for setting up all kinds of large, medium and small scale enterprises in Uttar Pradesh**. However, keeping in view the practical difficulties, **micro enterprises have been provided with an option to either apply through Nivesh Mitra or manually.**

Industry-friendly web-based single window clearance system aims to impart transparency, speed and ease to the process of setting up of enterprises in the State. It ensures **time-bound issuance of required clearances, approvals and no objection certificates (NOCs)** to entrepreneurs for setting up units. **Stipulated fee for different procedures can now be paid through netbanking.**

“It is a unique information technology based facility, envisaged to mitigate hitherto obvious barriers in facilitating investment by ensuring convenience to business and responsiveness from government with minimal human intervention,” stated Infrastructure & Industrial Development Commissioner (IIDC) and **Executive Director of Udyog Bandhu, Anil K Gupta.**

Special Secretary, Infrastructure Development & Joint Executive Director, Udyog Bandhu, Kaushal Raj Sharma informed that for efficient execution of Nivesh Mitra project, authorized officers of departments concerned have been directed to ensure installation of required infrastructure in all districts as it has been made mandatory to apply through Nivesh Mitra to set up enterprises excluding micro scale units.

“All the concerned Nodal officers of departments have been trained on operational aspects of working on Nivesh Mitra by the implementing nodal agency Udyog Bandhu in newly included 30 districts,” **Mr Sharma said.**

To use the time and money saving facility, entrepreneurs simply need to visit portal – **‘www.udyogbandhu.com’** on internet and apply online through this interactive software. To help the applicants and investors, user manuals, flowcharts and tutorials are also available online.

It is noteworthy that at present twelve departmental services are available through Nivesh Mitra. These departments include- Industries, Power, Factories, Fire Safety, Electrical Safety, Pollution control, Forest, Excise, Commercial tax, Food, Labour and Drugs.
