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Industries(B)Department
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Sub: Industries Department –Avoid of delayed payments for MSMEs –
Instructions issued -Reg.

Ref: D.O.No.16/08/2021-P&G/Policy (Pt-I) dated 22/03/2021 from the
Secretary, Ministry of MSME, GoI.

Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) play a vital role in the economic development of our nation. Government Departments/Organisations/PSUs procure goods and services from the MSMEs. It is imperative that the Government should release the payments to MSMEs on time. This was also one of the announcements made by the Union Government as part of Atma Nirbhar Bharat package. Further as per the provisions of MSME Development Act, 2006, MSE dues have to be released within 45 days.

But now, Union Government have brought to the attention of State Governments that they have received several representations from MSEs as well as the MSME Associations regarding the delay in payment from State Government departments /PSUs etc and also regarding delay in disposal of cases pending with the MSEFCs. **(Details of cases which have been filed by MSMEs, as State-wise, are available online at portal <http://samadhaan.msme.gov.in>).** Government of India also pointed out that regular meetings of MSEFC can go a long way in resolving the issues of MSE payments. Delay in payments causes severe concern to all MSMEs as most of them have not much financial soundness.

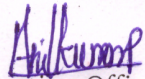
In the above circumstances, the Director of Industries & Commerce, Micro, Small Enterprises Facilitation Council and all Public Sector Undertakings in the State are directed to take immediate resolution in all such pending cases.

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY**

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The Chairman, RIAB
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