



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Industries (B)Department
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Sub: Industries department - Issuance of MSME Acknowledgment Certificate- Clarification-reg

The Kerala Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Facilitation Act 2019 has envisaged that any person who intends to start an enterprise other than those not included as 'Red Category' by the Kerala State Pollution Control Board may, furnish before the nodal agency a Self Certification to start such an enterprise in such form and in such manner, as may be prescribed and on receipt of a self certification completed in all respects, the nodal Agency shall, forthwith, issue an Acknowledgment Certificate, in the prescribed form, to the person who furnished the self certification under sub-section (1) of the said Act.

But, Government have noticed that in sometimes, MSME Acknowledgment Certificate is denied or cancelled because of enterprise is interpreted as a trading activity. In this circumstances, following clarification is issued for strict compliance.

" all manufacturing and service sector activities come under the scope of enterprises, as the MSME Development Act, 2006 of the central government includes both manufacturing and service activities under the scope of enterprises. Since some sort of value addition takes place in a chicken stall, like deskinning, cutting, and in some cases, refrigeration, etc., it cannot be construed as purely a retail activity and denied benefits like Acknowledgement Certificates".

The Director of Industries and Commerce is directed to ensure that the above mentioned clarification is strictly followed by the Nodal

Agency which issue Acknowledgement Certificates.

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