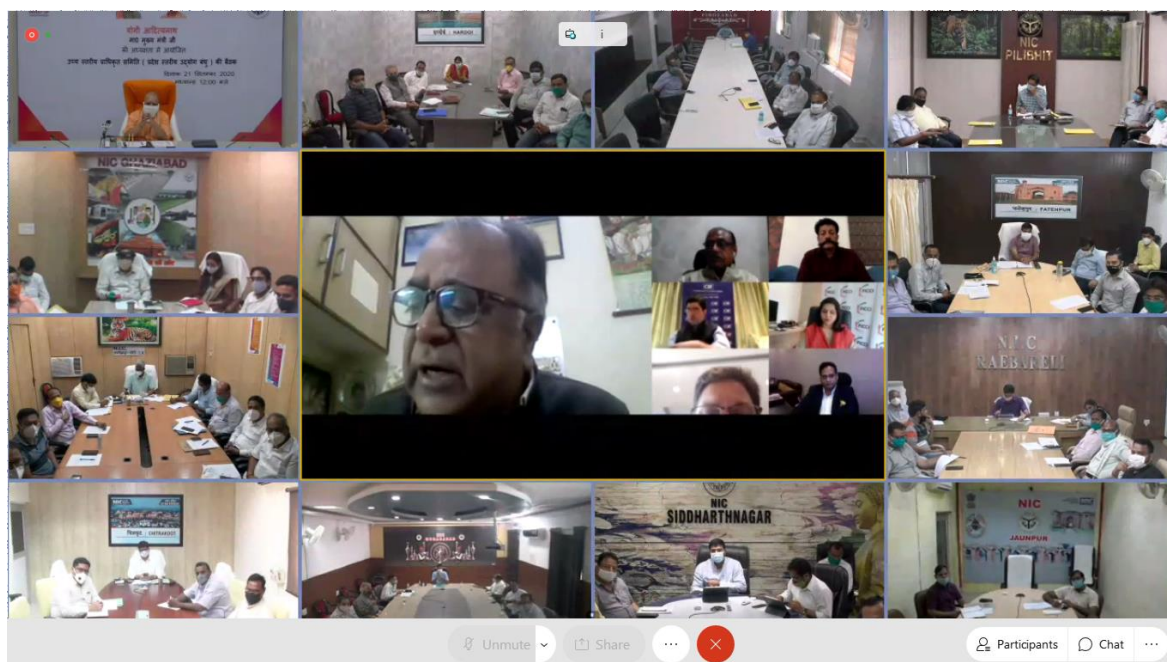


Virtual High-Level State Udyog Bandhu Meeting with Hon'ble Chief Minister, UP

A High-Level State Udyog Bandhu Meeting of Invest UP (erstwhile Udyog Bandhu) was organized under chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister, UP on 21.09.2020.

In this meeting total no. of 14 members from different industries joined. Out of which, President-IIA Shri Pankaj Kumar, Shri Manoj Kumar Chapter Chairman–Ghaziabad, IIA Meerut Chapter Chairman and Ms. Jyotsna Shahi, Deputy Director from Indian Industries Association also joined. Shri Siddharth Nath Singh, Hon'ble Minister, Khadi & Gramodyog, Silk, Textile, MSME, Export Promotion, NRI, & Investment Promotion, Government of Uttar Pradesh; Mr Alok Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary – Industrial development, GoUP and Mr Alok Tandon, IIDC, GoUP were also there to grace the meeting.

In the meeting, **Shri Pankaj Kumar-President IIA stated** that the younger generation of entrepreneurs wanted speedy implementation and requested for the leasehold to be converted to free hold for the benefit of the industries. He stressed on the rationalisation of UPSIDC maintenance charges vis-à-vis the facilities and Agricultural land conversion mechanism. He also stressed on the white paper on the 6 regions of the state. He stressed on harnessing the solar power and emphasised on open access facilities for the industry. Water extraction, Fire NOC and pollution control was pain areas for the industry he said and was vocal for rationalisation of archaic laws. Indian Industries Association (IIA) appreciated the bold steps taken in the current scenario by Chief Minister. With those commendable steps to promote industrialization in the state, it will encourage the MSMEs of the country and entrepreneurs will be encouraged to invest and move for new investment.



Mr Manoj Kumar IIA Chapter Chairman, Ghaziabad – Ghaziabad stated that the stamp duty BG has not been refunded and said that industry is closed during Diwali to control

pollution, hence they requested for PNG for industrial use. He also highlighted the UPSIDA land amalgamation issues and exorbitant power bills for weavers.

IIA – Meerut Chapter said that industrial land bank was not available in Meerut and UPSIDA has not developed any new area in the last 3 years. GO is awaited for the private industrial park minimum land requirement reduction from 150 acres to 30 acres. He also stressed on the development charges in the total area rather than the constructed area. Private industrial areas has not been transferred to Nagar Nigam hence no maintenance is taking place. He requested for separate funds for maintenance of industrial area. He requested to develop sports goods city on the textile mills land and also requested for air connectivity from Meerut to Prayagraj, Lucknow and Kanpur. Effluent treatment plant for garbage treatment is also required he said.

Shri Yogi Aditanath, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Uttar Pradesh in his address said that the UP Government has taken remarkable steps a result of which is 10 points jump in Ease of Doing Business ranking of the State. Hon'ble Chief Minister has laid out a vision to make state a One Trillion Dollar Economy. Towards furthering the momentum of Industrialization in the state, under Ease of doing Business. Further he added that the new Industrial Investment and Employment Promotion policy (2017) complemented by more than 20 sectoral policies, will help in promoting investments for job creation.

He also shared that Government of India recently acclaimed the One District One Product Scheme of Government of Uttar Pradesh and working on extending this scheme to pan India basis. The arrangement of dedicated Nodal Officers provided by Government of Uttar Pradesh for investors and robust MoU Tracking Portal is proving to be the confidence booster for the investors. Policies like UP Electronics Mftg Policy 2020 and UP Startup Policy 2020 has also been launched during this period. Even, the State Government is working on Data Centre policy and New Food Processing policy which will be launched soon. He also informed that the recently launched MSME Act gives a new arrangement for all land related clearances in first 72 hours and no undue inspection of MSME units would be done in first 1000 days of establishment of the units.



Shri Siddharth Nath Singh, Hon'ble Minister, Khadi & Gramodyog, Silk, Textile, MSME, Export Promotion, NRI, & Investment Promotion, Government of Uttar Pradesh highlighted the MSME act, various labour reforms put in and also the accelerated policy. The bulk drug park and the medical devices park of the government of Uttar Pradesh was also highlighted by him.

Mr Alok Tandon, IIDC, GoUP, Infrastructure and Industrial Development Commissioner summed up the session and proposed the vote of thanks. He also thanked Hon'ble Finance Minister, MSME Minister, Energy Minister, Labour Minister and heads of departments of Government of Uttar Pradesh. He also thanked the representatives of industry associations and said that their valuable suggestions would be considered favourably as well as the State Government would be keen to engage all of them in future endeavours related to industrial development of the State.