

Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry



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Shri Nitin Gadkari
Hon'ble Minister of MSMEs
Government of India
New Delhi.

Durgesh V. Buch
President

Sub: High pendency of cases related to delayed payments to MSMEs due to non-conduct of meeting of Facilitation Council

Natubhai Patel
Sr. Vice President

Sir,

Bhargav Thakkar
Vice President

Greetings from Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI).

Sanjeev Chhajer
Secretary

As you are kindly aware, Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) is the apex trade and industry body for the progressive state of Gujarat in India. It is located in Ahmedabad, Gujarat and represents the interest of trade and industry across the State. GCCI is a 70-year-old organization which enjoys membership strength of more than 6000 direct and around 2,00,000 indirect members.

Dilip M. Padhya
Secretary (R)

We would like to draw your kind attention to a serious issue being faced by the MSMEs of the state of Gujarat, with a request for your urgent intervention to resolve the matter at the earliest.

Pathik S. Patwari
Treasurer

Sir, as you are aware, under Section 18 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 an MSME unit can make a reference to the Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Council for settlement of any dispute regarding any amount due to the unit. Further, as per Section 20 and 21, the State Government is responsible for setting up one or more such Facilitation Councils in the State through notification and is also responsible for appointing members and organizing meetings of the Council regularly to initiate and conduct proceedings for such payment/dues related cases under the Act.

However, we would like to inform you that the meeting of the Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Council has not been conducted since almost a year in our State. This has resulted in a huge pendency of delayed payment related cases of the MSMEs and they are unable to get their pending dues which has put their very existence under threat.

Sir, Gujarat is a manufacturing hub with one of the largest numbers of operating MSMEs in the country. It is therefore an urgent necessity to ensure that the MSMEs do not have to suffer due to no fault of theirs. We therefore request you to kindly intervene in the matter so that the MSMEs get timely justice and are prevented from the threat of extinction due to non-payment or delayed payment made against goods or services timely and satisfactorily provided by them.

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We look forward to your positive intervention in the matter.

With Regards,

Sincerely,

Durgesh Buch

President

C.C. to:

1. Hon'ble Prime Minister's Office, South Block, Raisina Hill, New Delhi.

2. Dr. Rahul Gupta, IAS, Industries Commissioner, Govt. of Gujarat.

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