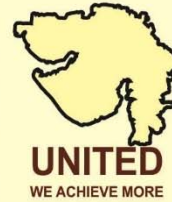


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Sub: Suggestions for recovery of trade and industry post lockdown due to COVID-19

Respected Madam,

Greetings from GCCI Regional Council. The Regional Council of Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry is a consortium of leading Chambers of Commerce in the state of Gujarat. The Regional Council of GCCI represents the voice of the entire trade and industry fraternity of the state and works with the objective of creating a conducive business environment in the state through joint efforts.

Madam, we highly appreciate the timely initiatives taken by the Government for keeping the impact of COVID-19 pandemic under control. We also appreciate the relief measures announced from time to time by your Ministry in view of the current situation. You would agree that trade and industry fraternity is passing through very challenging times due to this pandemic. The situation is so serious that if timely and adequate support is not provided, a large section of trade and industry, especially the small traders and industrial units, may not be able to survive.

Madam, we have compiled key suggestions related to post-lockdown support which should be provided to the business fraternity and have sent the same to your Ministry for your kind consideration and necessary positive intervention which are contained in the Annexure. Some of them are directly related to your Ministry while some are related to Finance for the units but may be endorsed by your Ministry to the concerned Ministry.

You may have received various suggestions on similar issues and all may have some merits requiring a debate on the same. If a Video Conference is arranged to discuss the same the Ministry may quickly conclude the decisions/actions for Financial help for revival of Trade & Industry, particularly for MASE and small Traders.

We request you to kindly arrange for a Video Conference as early as possible.

With Regards,

Sincerely,

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Chairman-GCCI Regional Council

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