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To,
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Sub: Request to grant Environment Clearance to Industries

Respected Sir,

Greetings from Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI)

Before the submission of CEPI score by GPCB to Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC) and CPCB, New Delhi, Hon'ble NGT was taking steps against the Industries by imposing heavy penalties as Environment Damage Compensation which was not bearable by Industries.

Under the leadership of Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry and after rigorous efforts, Hon'ble Supreme Court had given stay on 22/09/2020 on orders by Hon'ble NGT dtd. 10/7/2019, 23/8/2019 and 14/11/2019. Accordingly, two OMs issued by the MoEF&CC dtd. 31/10/2019 and 30/12/2019, have been kept in abeyance w.e.f 28/01/2021. Following this all the industrial estates of Gujarat are to be considered as out of Critically and Severely Polluted Areas.

In this regards we humbly request that now the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority should grant the Environment Clearance Certificate instead of sending it to MoEF&CC, New Delhi for approval. Moreover, applications sent to MoEF&CC should also be asked back from the Ministry for approvals.

Hope you will consider our above request and start granting the EC to Industries of Gujarat at the earliest which will help MSMEs to achieve the goal of Atmantrbhar Bharat.

With warm regards,

Natubhai Patel
President