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Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
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Sub: Amendment in guidelines regarding criteria of establishment of industries.

Respected Sir,

Greetings from the Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry (GCCI).

As per the existing guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of India, the industries which are Red, Orange and Green categories have to maintain a distance of minimum 500 mtrs. from lakes and water bodies, roads and highways, temples, mosques and other religious places, residential building, ecological zones etc.

Due to these guidelines, the industrial growth is throttled and it has become difficult to set up new industries. We understand that the distance of 500 mtrs is required in the case of Red category industries in view of the potential hazard due to the nature of the industry. However, in case of Orange and Green category units, keeping the same criteria of minimum 500 mtrs. distance does not seem reasonable.

We therefore recommend as below:

1. The minimum distance criteria of 500 mtrs may be kept unchanged for Red category industries.
2. The minimum distance criteria should be reduced to 300 mtrs, in case of Orange category industries.
3. The minimum distance criteria should either be removed or should be reduced to maximum 100 mtrs. in case of Green category industries.

The above provision is against the principle Ease of Doing Business promoted by our Hon'ble Prime Minister. It is rather detrimental to industrialization and economic growth of the nation, as it greatly restricts establishment of any kind of industry, even though it is a potential safe and majorly non-polluting industry. This provision therefore needs to be modified as suggested above with reasonable differentiation in the criteria applicable for different industry categories i.e. Red, Orange and Green.



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We request you to make the above recommended amendments in the guidelines and instruct the Central Pollution Control Board and State Pollution Control Board accordingly in the interest of overall economic growth of the nation.

We await your positive decision in the matter.

With warm regards,

Hemant Shah
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