Panel Discussion – Driving manufacturing in Himachal Pradesh

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Himachal Pradesh State organized a Panel Discussion on “Driving the Growth of Manufacturing in the State of Himachal Pradesh” on Friday, 25 May 2012 at Shimla. The Panel Discussion was chaired by Mr. Arun Maira, Member Planning Commission, Government of India. He made a detailed presentation on the National Manufacturing Pan prepared by the Planning Commission for inclusion and implementation in the 12th Five Year Plan. Mr Maira emphasized on Geographical Cluster, Micro Clusters, Cluster Stimulating Cells, easing up of Business Regulatory Framework and also to go for a Regulatory Impact Analysis for sustainable and inclusive growth of the state.

Panelists Views

- **Mr. C.N. Dhar**, Chairman, CII HP State Council- CII will work closely with the Government to facilitate the growth of manufacturing sector in the state.
- **Mr. Rajender Guleria**, Past Chairman, CII HP State Council- Planning Commission should focus more on the implementation aspect.
- **Mr. Ashok Tandon**, Past Chairman, CII HP State Council- To supplement the skill development initiatives in the country, there is a need to have independent monitoring agency for the ITIs under PPP mode.
- **Mr. Jitender Verma**, Director, Center for Sustainable Development – Entrepreneurship Development programs should be introduced to provide employment opportunities in the undeveloped areas.
- **Mr. Bharat Khera**, Managing Director, HPSIDC- There is a need to work towards improvement of industrial infrastructure, skills and connectivity to facilitate the industrial growth of the state.
- **Mr. Sunil Taneja**, Past Chairman, CII HP State Council- Export industry is required to be encouraged for the sake of employment as well as earning foreign exchange to the country.

- **Dr. Nagin Nanda**, Secretary, Environment & Scientific Technologies, Government of HP - There is a need for robust consultative process for environmental clearances. Also the industry should look forward to green technology and green procurement process.

- **Dr. P.C Kapoor**, Principal Secretary, Industries, Labour & Employment Government of Himachal Pradesh – Labour Welfare is based on the growth of the industry and the regulator or the Government has to be very facilitative to encourage this mutual growth and welfare.

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