

Ease of Doing Business

U.P. Govt. reviewing redundant rules & regulations to reduce compliance burden on industries & enterprises

- *"The timeframe for providing Pollution NOC to the industries in the state should be reduced from 120 days to 30 to 45 days"*
- *"Principal Secretaries of related departments should regularly review the Nivesh Mitra dashboard for timely disposal of applications and complaints of industries"*

-Chief Secretary, Shri R. K. Tiwari

- *Process underway to reduce the number of other 1300 compliances related to enterprises*
- *Renewals of clearances to be removed or periodicity to be increased with self-certification*
- *The requirement of maintenance of registers and records by enterprises will be rationalized*
- *Manual records and registers etc. related to enterprises to be digitized or simplified*

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The Chief Secretary of Uttar Pradesh, Shri Rajendra Kumar Tiwari has directed the Forest and Environment Department to reduce the timeline for issuing pollution control board related No Objection Certificate (NoC) to industries to 30 – 45 days from 120 days relative to other states, so that the industrial units in the state can get NoC in a short time.

The Chief Secretary directed to issue a government order mandating all concerned departments to accept entrepreneurs' applications exclusively through single window portal, Nivesh Mitra. He said that Additional Chief Secretaries or Principal Secretaries concerned should conduct a monthly review of user feedback received on the Nivesh Mitra portal.

The Chief Secretary gave these directions at Lok Bhawan yesterday evening while chairing a review meeting of Infrastructure and Industrial Development department regarding improvement in ease of doing business under the Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP)-2020 recommended by the Department of Industrial Promotion and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Government of India **to reduce the burden of regulatory compliances on industries.**

In the meeting, **irrelevant and cumbersome rules and regulations** along with **those laws which have been replaced** and are related to various departments like Labour, Home (Fire Services), Urban Development, Excise, Basic Education, Forest & Environment and Law etc. **were discussed thoroughly** and **directions were issued to complete the exercise of repealing, merger or reduction in number of these compliances by 31st March 2021** after proper scrutiny as required to create the environment more conducive for industrialization.

Infrastructure and Industrial Development Commissioner (IIDC), Shri Alok Tandon informed that all concerned departments had been directed to ensure regular review of the Nivesh Mitra dashboard for timely disposal of applications and complaints of entrepreneurs.

Additional Chief Secretary, Infrastructure and Industrial Development, Shri Alok Kumar informed that in addition to the above mentioned compliances, action was being taken at departmental level to reduce the number of other 1300 compliances related to industries in various departments. **He said** that this would allow the relaxation in the laws and rules related to the establishment and operation of industries in the future and would speed up the creation of an investment-oriented environment.

It was decided in the meeting that more services should be integrated with the single window portal Nivesh Mitra and action should be taken to eliminate the need for renewal of various clearances required for operation of low risk industries or to increase the frequency and duration of such renewals. Presently, **176 online services of 25 departments** are being provided through Invest Mitra.

Additionally, the requirement of **maintenance of registers and records by enterprises will be rationalized** and **manual records and registers** etc. related to enterprises are **to be digitized or simplified**.

Among others, **the meeting was attended by** Additional Chief Secretary, Labour-Shri Suresh Chandra, Additional Chief Secretary, Basic Education-Mrs. Renuka Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary, Excise-Shri Sanjay Bhoosreddy along with senior officials of Pollution Control Board, Home and Law departments.
