

**IMPORTANT EVENT, SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS AND MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS UNDERTAKEN DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2017:**

- 1.1 Hon'ble Minister of State (I/c) for MSME launched the Public Procurement Policy Monitoring Portal 'MSME Sambandh' in order to monitor the effective implementation of the Public Procurement Policy for MSEs by CPSEs. The portal will serve as a bridge between the MSEs and CPSEs as it contains necessary information relating to requirement of the CPSEs and the details of procurement made by them from MSEs. The portal will help to ensure effective monitoring of the procurement from MSEs on real time basis.
- 1.2 The Ministry of MSME celebrated the Swachhata Pakhwada in a befitting manner. Hon'ble Minister of State (I/c) for MSME distributed Swachhata Awards at the end of Swachhata Pakhwada organised by this Ministry from 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017. Industrial Clusters, Industry Associations and MSME Offices were felicitated for their contribution to Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan. Secretary (Drinking Water and Sanitation) along with other dignitaries and senior officials/staff from the Ministry were also present.
- 1.3 National Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Hub of this Ministry organised a series of State Conclaves at Bengaluru and Lucknow on 14.12.2017, Coimbatore on 18.12.2017, Faridabad on 21.12.2017, Kolkata on 23.12.2017, Agra on 22.12.2017 and Agartala on 29.12.2017 to take cognizance of various endeavours undertaken by the Central and State Government to boost entrepreneurship and to ensure higher participation of SC-ST Entrepreneurs in the supply chain of CPSEs.
- 1.4 A delegation led by H.E. Mr. Richard Maru, Minister for National Planning and Monitoring of the Republic of Papua New Guinea met Hon'ble Minister of State (I/c) for MSME in New Delhi on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 to discuss the issues relating to bilateral cooperation in MSME sector.
- 1.5 A delegation led by Dr. Guann Jyh Lee, Deputy Director General, Bureau of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Taiwan met Ministry officials on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 in New Delhi to discuss the modalities of cooperation between the MSMEs of both countries.

- 1.6 Hon'ble Minister of State (I/c) for MSME inaugurated NTSC-Advanced Training Centre of NSIC at New Delhi on 13.12.2017 which will offer various types of advanced training courses on technology for the youth.
- 1.7 Joint Secretary, Ministry of MSME and CMD, NSIC addressed the Korean and Indian SMEs on the opportunities of cooperation in MSME sector between the two countries at the "India Korea Technology Exchange Conference" organized by NSIC along with SBC, South Korea at New Delhi on 05-12-2017. During the event, NSIC organized one to one meetings for nine Korean enterprises with around 70 Indian SMEs who were willing to have business or technical alliances in their respective fields.
- 1.8 Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), MSME inaugurated a workshop '**Khadi Manthan**' at Management Development Institute (MDI), Gurgaon from 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 to chart out a new roadmap for development of Khadi.

## 2. ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 2.1 **MSE- Cluster Development Programme:** 9 Common Facility Centres were commissioned upto the month of December, 2017. Also, a cumulative total of 11 new/upgraded Industrial States were made functional upto the month of December, 2017.
- 2.2 Under the Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, the cumulative expenditure is Rs. 255.20 crore upto December, 2017 during the year 2017-18.
- 2.3 Under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), margin money subsidy of Rs. 720.73 crore has been disbursed by the banks upto 31.12.2017 which will facilitate setting up of 26,072 micro enterprises creating employment of around 2 lakh persons.
- 2.4 Various institutes and organizations under the Ministry of MSME viz. NSIC, KVIC, NI-MSME and Office of DC(MSME) imparted skill training programme to 24,724 persons during December, 2017.
- 2.5 NSIC provided Common Facility Services to 361 micro and small enterprises during this month. NSIC participated in 1 International Exhibition held Abroad, 7 Domestic Exhibitions in India, 1 Buyer Seller Meet/ Vendor Development Programme and 1 Marketing Campaign.
- 2.6 Ministry utilized Rs. 5421.27 Crore upto December, 2017 which comes to 83.64% of the total BE 2017-18.