

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

- 1.1 A Video Conference was held on 13.09.2017 under the chairpersonship of Secretary (MSME) with the Principal Secretaries of Industries/ MSME of all the States/ UTs to discuss various issues relating to MSME Sector. States have been requested to formulate Action Plans for MSME Pakhwada – Activities at Block, district and State level.
- 1.2 Hon'ble Vice President of India, Shri Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the National SC/ST Hub Confluence on 20.09.2017 at Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra to discuss and understand the role of Associations and business incubators in supporting the MSEs in India, especially the ones owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs and how they can act as change agents in creating entrepreneurial ecosystem. The program was also graced by Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C) of MSME and Hon'ble Minister of State of Finance.
- 1.3 The Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Youth Affairs and Sports, MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh awarded the Certificate of Appreciation to this Ministry based on our performance in the Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) on 04.09.2017 under Group B for the quarter ending January to March, 2017.
- 1.4 A Conclave was held on 12.09.2017 at Scope Complex under the chairpersonship of Secretary (MSME) with 20 Ministries and over 50 CPSEs to review the status of procurement under the Procurement Policy from MSMEs with emphasis on SC/ST MSEs.
- 1.5 A six member delegation from Asian and Pacific Center for Transfer of Technology (APCTT's), National Focal Point of the Islamic Republic of Iran led by Dr. Behzad Soltani, President and Chairman of the Board Innovation and Prosperity Fund (IPF) along with other officials met me on 12.09.2017 in Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi and discussed bilateral issues related to MSME Sector.
- 1.6 During the first half of 2017-18 i.e. upto 30.09.2017, this Ministry incurred a total expenditure of Rs. 4125.65 crores as against the total Budget allocation of Rs. 6481.96 Crores, thereby utilising around 64% of the budgeted amount.

- 1.7 NSIC successfully set up a Vocational Training Centre and Incubation Centre at Banjul, Gambia and handed over to Ministry of Trade, Industries, Regional Integration and Employment, Government of Gambia on 12.09.2017.
- 1.8 NSIC signed an MoU with Alliance of Indian MSMEs (AIM) on 31.08.2017 to further facilitate MSMEs in terms of Technology Upgradation, Marketing and Credit through NSIC package of Services.
- 1.9 Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), MSME Shri Giriraj Singh inaugurated the Swachh Abhiyan Pakhwada from 15 September – 5 October, 2017 at Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), Mumbai on 15.09.2017. Chairman, KVIC and all officers/officials of KVIC participated in the programme. He also chaired a meeting on 16.9.2017 to review the implementation of KVI programmes and discussed issues related to KVIC.
- 1.10 Action has been initiated by Central Coir Research Institute (CCRI) for obtaining the patents on the technologies viz. fully automatic Power Loom to weave Coir Geo textiles, an ecofriendly method for production of urea less organic biocomposted Coir pith – “Coir Krishi Mithra” and Production of Coir fibre reinforced injection moulded chairs and application of Trade Mark for Coir Krishi Mithra.

2. **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- 2.1 Under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), being implemented by KVIC, 2,23,796 applications were received till 30.09.2017 for the year 2017-18 under the scheme. Out of the said applications and the pending cases of 2016-17 already sanctioned by the banks, Margin money subsidy of Rs. 429.69 crore was disbursed by the banks upto 30.09.2017 which will facilitate setting up of 15,753 micro enterprises.
- 2.2 Various institutes and organizations under the Ministry of MSME viz. NSIC, KVIC, NI-MSME and Office of DC(MSME) imparted skill training programme to 24,248 persons during September, 2017.
- 2.3 Under the Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, the cumulative expenditure is Rs. 255.20 crore upto September, 2017 during the year 2017-18.
- 2.4 NSIC provided Common Facility Services to 484 micro and small enterprises during this month. NSIC participated in **3** International Exhibitions held Abroad, **6** Domestic Exhibitions in India, **3** Buyer Seller Meet/ Vendor Development Programme and **2** Marketing Campaigns.