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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR SECRETARIAT : COMMERCE & INDUSTRIES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Imphal, the 13th May, 2013

No. 48/3/2010-COM & IND: Whereas, the industrial environment in the State and other neighbouring States has undergone several changes since the issue of "The Industrial Policy of Manipur, 1996", on 27th November, 1996;

- 2. Whereas, it is considered necessary to replace the above mentioned policy of 1996 by a new one to provide for a progressive industrial policy for the State of Manipur;
- 3. Now, the Governor of Manipur is pleased to formulate and adopt an industrial policy namely, "The Industrial & Investment Policy of Manipur, 2013" as per annexure to the notification.
- 4. The industrial & investment Policy of Manipur, 2013 shall come into force with effect from 1st April, 2013. The "Industrial Policy of Manipur, 1996 stands withdrawn with effect from 1st April, 2013.

By orders & in the name of Governor,

O. NABAKISHORE SINGH, Principal Secretary to the Government of Manipur.

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THE INDUSTRIAL AND INVESTMENT POLICY OF MANIPUR, 2013

(IIPM, 2013).

Preamble:

The Government of Manipur aims to drive industrial growth by attracting private investments and provide an investment climate with better regulation by removing barriers to competition and growth. The investment climate is central to growth and outcomes for betterment of the society.

The State Government has introduced this Policy with various components being offered such as, incentives, improved infrastructure facilities, supply of quality power, and credit flow from Bank and Financial institutions, better market linkages and to boost investor confidence.

The policy is to provide an investor friendly environment for rapid industrial development in Manipur, to generate more employment opportunities and to have significant increase in the State Domestic Product, to explore and enhance the resource base of the State. The Policy is prepared keeping in mind the National Manufacturing Policy, 2011, the Look East Policy of the Government of India, the North East Industrial and Investment Promotion Policy-2007, Transport Subsidy Scheme, 1971(As amended from time to time), various schemes and Policy of the Government of India and shall remain in force up to 31st March, 2017 or before replacement by new Policy.

1:State Profile:

1.1: State Economy:

The annual average growth rate of the State was highest in 2009-10 with 7.6% and it was 2% which in 2006-07. The rates have been decreased to 6.1% and 6.2% (P) during 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively. The per capita income however increased from Rs. 20,786 in 2004-05 to Rs. 36,085 (P) in 2011-12. Agriculture is the main occupation of the population. The number of MSME/units as on 31/3/2012 is 9,265 with an investment of Rs.80.57 crores and production value of Rs.321.97 crores providing direct employment to 50,264 Workers. Besides, there are large numbers of unregistered industrial units. The literacy rate of the State was 79.85 % as against the national average of 77.04 as per Census 2011.

The sectoral growth for 11th Five Year Plan shows that an Agricultural Service Sector crossed growth rate of 8% while that of industry was 3.4% only. The proposed target for 12th Plan (2012 -17) are 4%, 9.6% and 10% for agriculture, service and industry respectively.

The Economy of the State is characterised by high unemployment (6 lakhs in October, 2012), poverty (60%), low capital formation, inadequate infrastructure facility, communication bottlenecks, etc.

There are 12 Nationalised Banks with 53 branches operating in the State besides 28 Manipur Rural Bank branches, and other branches of Manipur Co-operative Banks, and Imphal Urban Co-operative Bank. The credit deposit ratio was around 37% in 2010-11 which is far lower than the National Level of 58%. The most bank branches are concentrated in Imphal West District.

The Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of the State for 2009-10 at current prices was estimated to be Rs.8,638 crores against Rs.7,649 crores for the year 2008-09 registering an increase of 12.93 percent. At constant(2004-05) prices, GSDP in 2009-10 is estimated at Rs.6,789 crores as against Rs.6,234 crores in the previous year showing an increase of 9.05 percent. The average annual exponential growth rates between 2004-05 to 2009-10 were work out to be 10.41 percent and 5.62 percent for current and constant prices respectively.

The Net State Domestic Product (NSDP) at current prices for the 2009-10 was at Rs.7,693 crores as compared to Rs.6,819 crores for 2008-09 registering an increase of 12.83 percent over the previous year. Per capita income at current prices was worked out to be Rs.28,276 in 2009-10 as compared to Rs.25,539 in 2008-09 indicating an increase of 10.72 percent. The Net State Domestic Product (NSDP) at constant (2004-05) prices for the year 2009-10 was estimated at Rs.22,295 which was higher than that of the preceding year by about 7.03 percent.

1.2:The Linkages: Manipur is connected with other parts of the country by road and air. The Asian highways AH1 and AH 2 pass through this State. The national highways No.2, 37 and 202 connects with the other parts of the country through Dimapur, Silchar and Jessamii respectively. The Imphal airport links with other parts of the country by 12 to 13 flights a day. The up-gradation of the airport is under active progress. The rail connectivity is likely to [reach Imphal by 2016.

- 2: Vision: The Government of Manipur desire Manipur to be a preferred destination for industrial and trade activities and achieving to the aspiration of the people of Manipur, thereby affording to -
 - (i) All round economic development and to improve living standards.
 - (ii) To create employment opportunities, skill development and self employment opportunities.
 - (iii) Optimal utilisation of both natural and physical resources.
- Mission: The State Government shall act as the facilitator and catalyst for emerging opportunities in the industries and trade sector in advantageous areas of Handloom and Handicraft, manufacturing and service enterprises across Micro, Small scale, Medium and Large scale units and for internal and international trade and commerce.

The present Policy is to facilitate and provide an investor-friendly environment, provision for institutional support, credit flow and attractive incentive packages for optimum utilisation of existing resources to generate employment avenues for the people of Manipur. The Policy also aims at providing access to industrial infrastructure, development of market linkages, use of locally available raw materials, ensuring adequate credit flow from bank and financial institutions, support from universities and technological institutions.

4: The objective of the Industrial Policy

The following are the objectives :-

- (a) Develop adequate infrastructures to ensure planned and accelerated industrial development.
- (b) Promote maximum capital investment in the State for economic activities resulting in employment opportunities, improving standard of living of people at large and all-round development of the State.
- (c) Strive for balanced development of all the districts.

- (d) Promote export of items in which the State has comparative advantages over other States, based on raw materials and human skills.
- (e) Take steps to promote handicrafts so as to preserve rich cultural heritage, traditions and customs of the State.
- (f) Promote modernisation and technology up-gradation of existing industrial units.
- (g) Encourage quality control, standardisation and competitiveness of local products.
- (h) Promote eco-friendly industries.

Strategy:

The State Government in pursuit of the outlined objective has decided to adopt a new industrial strategy as detailed below:-

- (a) Take effective steps to promote industrial culture and create a secured environment for entrepreneurs.
- (b) Expedite completion of the on-going industrial infrastructure development projects within a time frame.
- (c) Accord priority to credit flow to all Enterprises by Commercial, Co-operative, Rural Banks, State Financial Corporation and Financial Institutions.
- (d) Establish mechanisms to provide support and linkages for marketing.
- (e) Develop Industrial Parks, Industrial Estates, Industrial areas, Special Economic Zones to provide integrated infrastructure to manufacturing units.
- (f) The State Govt, shall establish a "Land Bank" for industrial use.
- (g) Develop specific Handicraft Villages with common facility centers for the promotion of handicraft based on available local resources and skills.
- (h) Provide necessary infrastructures for export and import. Take effective steps for establishment of Cold chains and Warehousing facilities.
 - (i) Create Enterprises Facilitation Committees with mandate to provide Single Window Clearance to all proposals from investors for establishing Manufacturing and Service Industries.
- (j) Create an Industrial Infrastructures Development Authority of the State.
- (k) Strengthen the State Financial Corporation.

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