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Sub. : To allow Third Party Certification instead of departmental inspections under Labour Laws (The Factories Act 1948) for medium risk industries.

The Department of Industrial promotion and policy has given suggestions for Ease of Doing Business for year 2017. As per one of the suggestion from DIPP, Directorate has decided to prepare a policy for Third Party Certification instead of Departmental inspection under The Factories Act 1948 of medium risk factories.

Accordingly, the factories registered under Factories Act, 1948 are categorized as below:-

1) High Risk Factories:

- (i) Major Accident Hazards (MAH) as per Maharashtra Factories (Control of Industrial Major Accidents Hazards) Rules, 2003.
- (ii) Factories classified under Sec. 2(cb) of the Factories Act, 1948.
- (iii) Factories classified under Sec. 87 of the Factories Act, 1948.
- (iv) Other than "hazardous factories" having more than 150 workers.
(Exp : Hazardous Factory – As define under rule 2(o) of Maharashtra Factories Rules, 1963)
- (v) Factories classified under Sec. 85 of the Factories Act, 1948 (Except- Saw Mills and Power Looms)

2) Medium Risk Factories:

- (i) Other than hazardous factories having less than 150 workers.

3) Low Risk Factories:

- (i) Power Looms and Saw mill factories.

This directorate has empanelled Director General Factory Advise Service and Labour Institute (DGFASLI), Government of India, Sion, Mumbai as Third Party Certification agency. The occupier should communicate to this department for their willingness to opt for this scheme of Third Party Certification for next year. Accordingly it will be decided to exempt factory categorized under medium risk factories from departmental inspection for next calendar year and the Occupier shall obtained Third Party Certification from Director General Factory Advise Service and Labour Institute, Sion, Mumbai in the next calendar year.

The Third Party Certification report shall be submitted by the Occupier of the factory from a receipt of certification report within 15 days. If DGFASLI observed any violation, this directorate will initiate action against the Occupier/Manager. The individual factory management shall have to bear the expenses incurred towards inspection by this identified institute.



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