

Dated 23rd April, 2020

Sh. Jogaram ji
Collector & District Magistrate
Jaipur

Dear Sir,

We have been represented by our members whose units are located in **SEZ Phase I & II and Export Promotion Industrial Park (EPIP) at Sitapura, Jaipur**, that they are not able to start manufacturing activities owing to the order dated 19th April, 2020, issued by your office. The units are closed down since 23rd March, 2020, after the announcement of Lock Down, by the Govt. Though as per the orders of Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India dated 15th April, 2020 and Order issued by Home Department, Govt. of Rajasthan the manufacturing units located in Industrial Area and SEZ are allowed to operate from 20th April, 2020 subject to the conditions as prescribed in both the orders.

Since many units of these three zones have to fulfil their export orders and the ordered goods were in the midst of the manufacturing when the lock down was announced, they are to be exported now else the orders may be cancelled by the foreign buyers. This may result into heavy loss to the Exporting units as these are customised goods and no other buyer will purchase them. The units though have paid the wages of their workers for the month of March, 2020 but shall not be able to bear the burden of wages of the month of April, 2020 if the manufacturing does not starts immediately as they are already under heavy financial stress. Also the foreign buyers will switch over to the competitor Countries like China and Thailand for their supplies who have already commenced their operations post lock down.

It may please be noted that the above mentioned **zones are secured by boundary wall all around the zones with a single entry gate at each zone**. The units located there are going to follow all conditions laid down in the orders issued by the Union Ministry of Home affairs and Home Department of State Govt. in the light of pandemic Covid-19. The workers of the units reside mostly in the area around Sitapura, like Sanganer, Pratap Nagar, Shivdaspura, etc. and the units are going to engage the buses, either owned by themselves or the hired ones whose details shall also be shared with the concerned authority.

As the manufacturing units located in the Ramchndrapura and Prahaldapura Industrial areas are working since the beginning of this week, which is not very far from the sitapura industrial area. Also their operation will be a case study for the City Administration to understand on how industry is responding to the call for following SOP to conduct their operations.

In the interest of Country's exports, you are therefore requested to allow the units of SEZ Phase I & II and EPIP, all located in Sitapura to start their operations from the week starting from 27th April 2020.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully
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