

**UT ADMINISTRATION OF
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY (INDUSTRIES), DNH & DD,
SECRETARIAT, DAMAN, VIDYUT BHAWAN, KACHIGAM, DAMAN.**

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ORDER

The Govt. of India has set up a task force under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary for improving the Ease of Doing Business (EODB) in India through Compliance Reduction and Deregulations. As a Phase II of Compliance Reduction & Deregulation exercise, the DPIIT has identified 23 priority areas / 5 optional priority areas in 9 sections where the business reforms must be carried out in our Union Territory. Dr. Surendrakumar Bagde IAS, Director General, National Centre for Good Governance and Task Force member will be visiting UT of DNH&DD on 27/01/2026 to review the steps taken by UT towards achieving the EODB objectives.

In view of the above, it has been decided to appoint officers for different sections, based on the broader classification of the priority areas and prepare an action plan cum proposal for implementation of the same. The Officer in charge shall prepare road map in respect of the sections assigned to him as per the detailed docket circulated to all concerned officers.

The following officers are appointed as the Nodal officers for the different sections based on the broader classification of the priority areas:

PA/ OPA	Priority Areas	Responsible officers
OVERALL INCHARGE: Shri Saurabh Mishra IAS Collector Daman (Section I – Land Use & Section V – Environment)		
Section I - LAND USE		
PA-1	Remove harassment for landowners (farmers etc.) by eliminating the requirement of "Change in Land Use"(CLU)	Shri Priyanshu Singh DANICS
PA-2	States to allow "Demand Driven" use in all zones in keeping with the spirit of "Everything is permitted until prohibited" and allow construction approvals during preparation of Master Plans.	Shri Priyanshu Singh DANICS

PA-3	Optimise Land Use in existing and upcoming Industrial Clusters, along with provisions for MSMEs	Shri Priyanshu Singh DANICS
Section V - ENVIRONMENT		
PA-12	Increase the frequency of SEAC and SEIAA meetings and Create Land bank for degraded forests and non-forest land and upload on PARIVESH portal	Shri B. Mohandaas, IFS
Optional Priority Area - ENVIRONMENT		
OPA-1	Adopt Amended Water (prevention and control of pollution) Act, 2024	Shri B. Mohandaas, IFS
OVERALL INCHARGE: Shri Priyank Kishore IAS Collector DNH (Section II - BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION)		
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PA-4	Streamline Building and Construction Permit Process	Shri Amit Kumar DANICS
PA-5	Rationalise and adopt Global Best Practices in Fire Safety Norms for Buildings	Shri Sangram Satish Shinde DANICS
OVERALL INCHARGE: Shri S. Asker Ali IAS (Section III – UTILITIES AND PERMISSIONS & Section VI - TOURISM)		
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PA-6	Remove Dual Licenses for Businesses	Ms Aarti Agarwal, DANICS
PA-7	Liberalise Regulations for Shops and Commercial Establishments	Ms Aarti Agarwal, DANICS
PA-8	Ease Licensing for Weights & Measures under Legal Metrology Act 2009	Shri Amit Kumar Pamasi, DANICS
PA-9	Empower State Industrial Development Authority to act as Nodal Agency for all approvals within Industrial Clusters	Shri Marathe Onkar Gopal DANICS
PA-10	Facilitate MSMEs through Self-Declaration, pre-establishment approvals and protection from inspections	Shri B. Mohandaas, IFS

Section VI - TOURISM		
PA-13	Promote the availability of quality and affordable accommodation for tourists	Shri Shivam Teotia DANICS
Optional Priority Area - OVERARCHING PRIORITY		
OPA-4	Compile all Testing Facilities in State Institutions for MSME Access	Shri Marathe Onkar Gopal DANICS
OVERALL INCHARGE: Shri Arun T. IAS (Section IV – Power & Section VII – Education)		
Section IV - POWER		
PA-11	Expedite processes for Power/Electricity connections to consumers	Shri Shivam Teotia DANICS
Section VII - EDUCATION		
PA-14	Eliminate Minimum Land Ownership Requirement for Private Schools	Shri Vivek Kumar, DANICS
PA-15	Ease Infrastructure and Equipment Requirements for Private Schools	Shri Vivek Kumar, DANICS
PA-16	Eliminate Minimum Land requirements for Private Universities	Shri Vivek Kumar, DANICS
PA-17	Reduce Minimum Endowment Fund Requirements for Higher Education Institutions	Shri Vivek Kumar, DANICS
PA-18	Reduce Minimum Infrastructure and Equipment Requirements for Higher Education Institutions not funded by Government	Shri Vivek Kumar, DANICS
Optional Priority Area - EDUCATION		
OPA-2	Remove Essentiality Certificate and reduce the number of other certificates for Private Schools.	Shri Vivek Kumar, DANICS
OVERALL INCHARGE: Shri A. Gopi Krishna, IAS (Section VIII - HEALTHCARE)		
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PA-19	Simplify Medical Practitioners Registration/ NOC across States	Shri Amit Kumar Pamasi, DANICS

PA-20	Appoint Single Nodal Agency for all Healthcare specific licences	Shri Amit Kumar Pamasi, DANICS
OVERALL INCHARGE: Shri Ajay Kumar Gupta IAS (Section IX - OVERARCHING PRIORITIES)		
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PA-21	Monitor and Reduce end-to-end Turnaround Times on Single Window System	Shri Marathe Onkar Gopal DANICS
PA-22	Create a Centralised Digital Repository of all State Acts, Rules, Regulations and G.O.s and review them using a Principle-Based Framework	Shri Amit Kumar Pamasi, DANICS
PA-23	Establish Auto-appeal System under Right to Services Act/ Guidelines	Shri Amit Kumar Pamasi, DANICS
Optional Priority Area - OVERARCHING PRIORITY		
OPA-3	Enable Speed of Doing Business through "Right to Business Act - Affidavit Based Clearance System"	Shri Marathe Onkar Gopal DANICS
OPA-5	Introduce an Omnibus Bill for Ease of Doing Business (EoDB)	Shri Marathe Onkar Gopal DANICS

All the Officers in charge shall prepare the Action plan on or before 22nd January 2026, in accordance with the way forward mentioned in the docket which has been shared with them.

This is issued with the approval of Advisor to Administrator of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.

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20-1-26.
(Shri Nikhil U Dessa)
Secretary (Transport) /
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