

Administration of
Dadra and Nagar Haveli, U.T.,
(Department of Industries),
District Industries Centre,
Silvassa - 396 230.

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To,
All Industries/ Corporates
(through leading Industrial Associations),
Silvassa,
Dadra and Nagar Haveli.

Sub : Cold Chain Facility

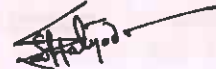
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Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a D.O. letter No. 5(2)/2013/Inv. dtd. 21.06.2013 received here on 08.07.2013 received from the Secretary , Govt. of India, Ministry of Food Processing, New Delhi.

This is for your comments and inputs please.

Yours faithfully



General Manager,
District Industries Centre,
DNH, Silvassa.

Encl : as above.



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June 21, 2013

D.O No 5(2)/2013/Inv.

Dear Mr Bhalla.

As you are aware, Cold Chain facility is an important element in the chain of production, processing, storage and exports of food products but continues to be a critical infrastructural gap. It has been estimated that total cold storage gap in the country is 36.84 Million MT in 2010. To meet this gap, it has been estimated that an investment of Rs 25,788 crore would be required. At present, cold storage/chain facilities are being promoted by different organizations namely National Horticulture Board, National Horticulture Mission, National Co-operative Development Corporation, and Ministry of Food Processing Industries by way of extending grant-in-aid/ subsidy under different schemes. All these organizations put together have been able to create around 16 lakh MT of cold storage/chain with a grant component of Rs 173.6 crore per annum during the last six years ending 2012-13. Given massive post-harvest losses of agricultural products and the magnitude of cold chain gap in the country, innovative method of financing of cold chain infrastructure is necessary.

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2. Ministry of Finance has permitted financial support to Public Private Partnership (PPPs) cold storage and cold chain projects under Viability Gap Funding (VGF) in social and economic infrastructure category. However, it has been noticed that even though cold storage and cold chain were included under VGF in 2011, no proposal has been received so far under VGF Scheme. This could be either due to general lack of awareness or expertise or due to constraints peculiar to social & economic projects for which there no precedence to fall back on unlike infrastructure project viz. transport like road sector, airports, ports.

3. Ministry of Food Processing Industries as Nodal Ministry for cold chain proposes to have a stakeholders' consultation sometime towards the third week of July 2013 to assess the reasons for slow response to avail the benefit under the VGF scheme, projects in pipeline and for soliciting views of stakeholders on the scheme. In the meantime, we will appreciate if you could send your views on the constraints in availing benefit under the scheme, pipeline projects, if any and suggestions for making the scheme popular, preferably by 5th July, 2013

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Best wishes

Yours sincerely,

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