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Subject: Constitution of a Working Group for 11th Plan on Chemicals and Petrochemicals.

In the context of formulation of the Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012), it has been decided to set up a Working Group on Chemicals & Petrochemicals. The terms of reference and composition of the Working Group will be as follows:

I. Terms of Reference

1. To review the performance, present status and growth of domestic and global Chemical and Petrochemical Industry keeping in view the emerging trends, strength and weakness and changing economic scenario in the country.

2. To review the status of the domestic industry in terms of Tenth Plan targets vis-à-vis achievements.

3. To review the feedstock availability and pricing related issues including availability of industrial alcohol.

4. To review and assess the global business strategy and domestic preparation for international competitiveness and to realize potential of emerging areas including specialty chemicals in the light of the new IPR regime, identify specific key products having potential for growth and suggest measures for putting the indigenous industry on sound footing.

5. To suggest ways and means of strengthening R&D in the sector.

6. To assess the present status of domestic Good Manufacturing Practice with the benchmark of international practice and suggest measures for compliance by manufacturers of chemicals and petrochemicals products in the country.

7. To assess the present employment and likely employment that will be created during the 11th Plan period and in the perspective of 15 years.

8. To assess the human resource development need of the industry to recommend strategy to meet the same.

9. To assess the need for sector specific investment regions for the chemicals & petrochemicals industry and to suggest measures including institutional mechanisms to strengthen it including investment and sources of investment.

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10. To make such other recommendations as are considered by the working group appropriate, to make the Chemicals & Petrochemicals Industry internationally competitive at the earliest.

II. Composition of Working Group

1. Secretary, Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals (DCPC) - Chairperson
2. Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, DCPC - Member
3. Principal Advisor (PP Division), Planning Commission - Member
4. Principal Advisor (PP Division), Planning Commission - Member
5. Advisor (I&VSE), Planning Commission - Member
6. Joint Secretary (Chemicals), DCPC - Member-Secretary
7. Joint Secretary (Petrochemicals), DCPC - Member-Secretary
8. Representative of Dept. of Scientific & Industrial Research - Member
9. Representative of Department of Science & Technology - Member
10. Representative of Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion - Member
11. Representative of M/o Petroleum & Natural Gas (MOPNG) - Member
12. Representative of Department of Commerce - Member
13. Representative of M/o Environment & Forest - Member
14. Representative of Indian Chemicals Manufacturers’ Association - Member
15. Representative of Indian Plastics Manufacturers Association - Member
16. Representative of Petrochemicals Manufacturers Association - Member
17. Chairman, Chemexil - Member
18. Executive Director, Capexil - Member
19. Representative from IIT, Delhi - Member
20. Economic Adviser, D/o Chemicals & Petrochemicals - Member
21. Dr. Ahmad Masood, Former Adviser (PAMD), Planning Commission - Member

2. The Chairman of the Working Group may include additional term(s) of reference in consultation with Member (Industry), Planning Commission, who is Chairman of the concerned Steering Committee.

3. The Chairman of the Working Group may co-opt any other Expert as Member of the Working Group, if considered necessary.

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4. The Working Group will submit its report within three months to the Chairman of the Steering Committee. The Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals will provide the Secretarial assistance for the Working Group.

5. The expenditure on TA/DA of official members in connection with the meetings of the Working Group will be borne by the parent Department/Ministry to which the official belongs as per the rules of entitlement applicable to them. The non-official members of the Group will be entitled to TA/DA as permissible to Grade I officers of the Government of India under SR190 (a) and this expenditure will be borne by the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals.

6. Shri D. Banerjee, Dy Adviser (CI), Room No.319A Yojana Bhavan (Ph. 2309 6710) will act as the Nodal Officer and any further communication in this regard may be made with the Nodal Officer.

To

Chairman and all the Members (including Convenor) of the Working Group

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1. PS to DCH/MOS(Planning)/Members/Member-Secretary, Planning Commission
2. All Principal Advisers/Advisers/HODs in Planning Commission
3. Prime Minister’s Office, South Block, New Delhi
4. Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi
5. Information Officer, Planning Commission
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