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## Sub:- PROBLEMS OF INDUSTRY & TRADE OF PUNJAB.

Dear Sir,

Your good self are aware that industry is still in the grip of global recession and passing through lots of obstacles. At this juncture industry expects helping hand from the State Government. Now we would like to bring into your kind notice few of the major problems being faced by the industry and request your good self to be instrumental to get them solved.

### VAT REFUND.

Entire industry and trade have great resentment with the Govt. in regards to VAT refund. On ground of few bogus dealers the entire industry and trade is being punished by holding VAT refunds. Number of assesses applied for VAT refund and refund is being given to those who agree to bribe the Department other VAT refund claims are being returned unpaid by putting some minor objections. It is not out of place to mention here that we are compelled to maintain Bank limits only because our entire capital is blocked with the Excise & Taxation Department. Kindly take this matter seriously.

### VAT/ ADVANCE TAX REFUND OF EXPORTERS.

Sir, as you aware of the fact that Central Govt. has exempted the export sales from the levy of Sales Tax /VAT & Excise Duty and also it is clear that the exporters are entitles to get refund of the Sales Tax/VAT or Excise Duty paid on their purchases. But the Excise & Taxation Department, Pb is not only charging advance tax from the exporters, but also refuses to allow input tax credit and the height is that the department has started recovery of the previous years input tax credit taken by the exporters. This is an huge example of injustice and against the Central Government law. And we request your good self to have a dialogue with the Hon'ble C.M/Dy. C.M and get this problem solved.

### CHANGE IN ELECTRICITY TARIFF & IMPLIMENTATION FROM BACK DATE.

Sir, our electric meters show two types of reading i.e., KWH & KVAH. In the past up to 30<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2014 the energy bills were based on KWH reading and we were supposed to maintain

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power factor minimum 0.95 for induction furnace and 0.90 for General industry and if a consumer maintained the power factor above that range - incentive was being given to him and penalty was imposed if the power factor was not maintained to that level. Now on the recommendation of the regulatory commission PSPCL started raising energy bills on KVAH reading and stopped giving incentive or imposing penalty because KVAH reading is linked with the power factor if the power factor goes down KVAH reading will be higher and if the power factor goes high up to 1.00 the KVAH reading will be on lower side automatically. Now we all maintain our power factor to 1.00. (power factor can be maintained very easily by adding shunt capacitors). Now we are stunned to find that PSPCL has started sending arrear bills to the consumers saying that this change was implemented from 01-04-2014. This is very very unpractical, unlogical and unjust. How can we maintain our power factor from the back period so your good self are requested to pressurize Hon'ble C.M/Dy. C.M. to direct PSPCL to withdraw the arrears imposed on the industry (actually regulatory commission recommended this change to be implemented from 01-04-2014 but the State Govt. to their self interest implemented this change from 01-10-2014 because there were elections in the neighboring states and now asking to pay arrears is not at all right.

## **RE LOCATING ESI DISPENSARY NO.5 AT SURANUSSI.**

It has come to our notice that ESI Dispensary No.5 situated at Anand Nagar, Suranussi has been merged in to the Focal Point, ESI Dispensary Jalandhar which is approx 5 K.M distance from Suranussi. There are number of big industrial units situated in Suranussi area and a large number of employees and their families are availing treatment & medicines through this dispensary. By shifting this dispensary to focal point, the employees are facing great hardships, heavy traveling expense, and it will cause a loss of working hours and often lost full working day and consequently loss of production in the factories. Also it is not practical in case of emergencies. Also the huge rush in dispensary No.4 is resulting in deterioration of service to the employees. So please do the needful to re-install the ESI Dispensary No.5 in Suranussi only.

## **CONDITION OF ROADS.**

At present the conditions of all roads of the City in general and roads leads to Industrial Zones especially are very very pity. All of the roads are completely broken and not at all suitable for smooth riding which results the damage of vehicles, accidents, fuel wastage and lot of wastage of man hours due to traffic jams. Due to road conditions we hesitate to invite outside & overseas buyers to our factories. So please take necessary step to repair all roads at the earliest possible and also ensure quality of the roads that should stable at least for 5 years.

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Hope your good self will take all the problems into consideration and do the best to bring into the knowledge of Hon'ble C.M/Dy. C.M and get them solved at the earliest possible time.

Thanking you,

With regards,

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