

Industrial Township

A meeting of various associations in the state of Maharashtra was held at Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce Industries and Agriculture to discuss the issue of Formation of Industrial Township for urban areas and separation of new town from rural area.

Though Maharashtra is a leading Industrial State in the country, the industry has always been kept away from the benefits of the basic infrastructure facilities and proper and timely services. On the contrary the industry has regularly and grudgingly paid octroi, property tax and other levies. To overcome the situation of proper governance, formation of the Industrial Township will be the appropriate solution. The purpose of the meeting called was to discuss the decision of the Hon. Bombay High court, Aurangabad Bench in the case of The Small Scale Industries Association, Jalgaon in Oct.2006. and other writs filed by associations in Maharashtra.

Mr.Deepak Karandikar welcomed the members and briefed them about the need of forming the Industrial Township.

Adv.Ajay Talhar, who fought this case successfully, described the benefits of the industrial Township and the necessary amendments for its implementation. There was also an interactive session on repercussions of the implementation of township on different levels like grampanchayats, Municipal Councils and Municipal Corporation areas.

It was unanimously decided to uphold and follow-up with the Government for forming the industrial townships. To pursue the matter, a committee of five members dedicated to the cause would be formed in consultation with Mr. Madhur Bajaj ,President ,MCCIA.by 15th June, 2007, and if required the committee would be expanded later to 11 members by the month end.