

Common Facility Centre

Scope

- The scheme would provide assistance for setting up of new Common Facility Centre (CFC) and up-gradation of existing CFCs for Gem & Jewellery sector in remote area / villages / town to meet the requirement of SMEs of their region to have latest and modern technology which they can't afford at their own.
- The scheme may also address the need of training centers / R & D centers / data centers / MSME Help Desk etc. as part of CFC facility as per the requirement of local trade / cluster.
- The scheme will provide assistance to only those clusters / regions where support from local trade is made available.
- Active participation from local trade association is essence of the scheme.

Main objective for setting up of CFC at different locations

- There is a requirement of skilled manpower in the Industry.
- It is essential to upgrade technological skill level of the artisans
- Provide such infrastructure / facility/ latest technology to small unit holders which they cannot afford at their own.
- To manufacture quality goods with better yield and timely delivery time by providing more productive machines in their nearby vicinity.
- New artisans would be trained by offering various training programs.
- Providing access to common pool of high end & capital intensive state-of-the-art machinery/equipment.
- To assist, motivate & provide SMEs an opportunity to take benefit of the costly state-of-the-art equipment to improve upon the quality, productivity and yield of the finished product.
- To provide services to small & medium manufacturers at justified rates.
- To provide common platform for technology transfer & Re-Skilling of the existing artisans by providing them training to up-grade the skill & also organizing seminars by industry leaders.

Key Points to be Noted

- Key locations/center should be identified.
- Awareness study of 8-10 Key people needs to be done in Dahisar, Zaveri Bazaar, Malad and other local associations.
- Questionnaire needs to be prepared for CFC and shared with the Associations.
- Survey regarding place of preference, Type of Machinery, Type of Technology which should be advanced or normal, cheaper or costly, Basic need of

Infrastructure depending on which need to approach government bodies,
Finance & Banking sector requirements like relaxed collateral.

- Based on which a DPR report/Project report for 10 CFCs will be prepared and shared with government for grants.

Cluster Mapping

- The Implementing Agency in co-ordination with trade association will identify the clusters and conduct an exercise for cluster mapping followed by pre-feasibility and preparation of DPRs. Below regions / centers have been identified and proposed for the setting up of CFCs;