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Dear Chandra Bhushan,

As you are aware that a task force has been constituted as a Committee of Secretaries under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary for Compliance Reduction and Deregulation to assist states and Union Territories (UTs) in reforming and simplifying regulations and procedures related to Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living in the identified priority areas. In this context, a meeting with all the states and UTs was also conducted under the Chairpersonship of the Cabinet Secretary on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

2. Chairman IWAI, a member of the taskforce, has been assigned the Union Territory of **Andaman and Nicobar** along with a team of officers from Cabinet Secretariat, DPIIT, MSME and NITI Aayog as annexed (**Annexure 1**). As discussed, the date of visit to **Sri Vijaya Puram** is scheduled for **22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2025**.

3. State/UT specific docket with details regarding the identified priority areas - Land use, Building & Construction Regulations, Labour Reforms, Utilities and Permissions and Overarching Priorities (**Detailed list as Annexure 2**) has already been shared on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

4. The broad suggested agenda of the visit include:

**a) Meeting with the Chief Secretary and Senior Officials of departments concerned in the forenoon**

The meeting will aim to discuss and advance the agenda on compliance reduction and deregulation. Indicative list of the concerned departments for this meeting is **annexed (Annexure 3)**. The focus area would be status and current readiness w.r.t. compliance reduction and deregulation, action plan along with milestones/tentative timelines for the way forward in the identified priority areas as listed in the respective state dockets.

**b) Meeting with Industry Associations and Stakeholders in the afternoon**

The team will also interact with representatives of national level/ UT level apex industry associations (CII, FICCI, ASSOCHAM, MSME associations, etc.) to understand their concerns with respect to the identified priority areas.

5. It is requested to appoint a Nodal Officer for coordination with the taskforce. Further, a deregulation cell may also be setup to oversee the implementation of identified action points across all priority areas.

6. It is further requested to make the logistics arrangements including transportation and accommodation for the entire team and arrange meetings as mentioned in para 4 above. Detailed travel plans for the entire team shall be shared shortly with the Nodal Officer.

7. The point of contact for coordination for the task force shall be Shri. Vinay Kumar Prajapati (Member- Traffic and Logistics, IWAI, Mob 8445889991) and Mr. Shubham Sisodia (Mob 7447267117).

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
(Vijay Kumar)

**Shri Chandra Bhushan, IAS**  
Chief Secretary,  
Andaman & Nicobar Administration  
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**Annexure 1. Tentative list of participants for the scheduled visit:**

S. No.	Name	Designation	Department/Ministry	Contact
1	Shri. Vijay Kumar	Chairman	IWAI	Mobile No.- 9650100899 Phone No.- 0120-2543972 Email ID- chairman.iwai@nic.in
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3	Mohammad Isharar Ali	Director	DPIIT	Mobile No.- 9935774982 Phone No.- 23038931 Email ID- mohammad.ballia@gov.in
4	Shri P. K. Das	Joint Director	MSME-DFO	Mobile No.- 7003794210 Email: dcdi-kolkatta@dcmsme.gov.in
5	Shri. Vinay Kumar Prajapati	Member (Traffic & Logistics)	IWAI	Mobile No.- 8445889991 Email ID- mtr.iwai@nic.in
6	Pradeep S	Young Professional	NITI Aayog	Mobile No.- 8825887491 Email ID- pradeep.s2000@niti.gov.in
7	Shubham Sisodia	Traffic & Logistics team	IWAI	Mobile No.- 7447267117 Email ID- shubhamsisodia0908@gmail.com

## Annexure 2: List of priority areas-

S. N o.	Priority Area	Priority Number
1	Priority Area I: Land	Priority No.1: Adopting flexible zoning framework for mixed-use development activities
		Priority No.2: Simplify and digitize the process for land use change (plan area) in rural/urban areas with clearly defined timelines
		Priority No. 3: Rationalizing minimum road width requirements for different categories of industries in rural areas
		Priority No. 4: GIS databank for industrial land available in State, integrated with India Industrial Land Bank (IILB)
2	Priority Area II: Building & Construction	Priority No. 5: Amend building regulations to reduce land loss in industrial plots
		Priority No. 6: Amend building regulations to reduce land loss in commercial plots
		Priority No. 7: Increase the role of empaneled third parties in building approvals and joint inspections
		Priority No. 8: Simplify the process of issuing Occupation/Completion certification of buildings
3	Priority Area III: Labour	Priority No. 9: Remove prohibitions on women from working in certain 'hazardous' industries
		Priority No. 10: Allow night-time employment of women (7pm–6am) in all occupations in factories
		Priority No.11: Allow night-time employment of women in all occupations in shops & commercial establishments
		Priority No. 12: Revise the working hour limits for factories

		Priority No.13: Revise the working hour limits for commercial establishments
		Priority No.14: Increase the threshold of workers for closure of factories, retrenchment and layoff
<b>4</b>	Priority Area IV: Utilities & Permissions	Priority No.16: Simplifying approval and renewal of Factory License/Trade License by reducing the steps involved and documentation, and online registration under the Shops & Establishments Act
		Priority No.17: Expedite electricity/water connections, including groundwater use permissions, through an online system for application submission, payment and status tracking
		Priority No.18: Raising threshold for compliance under the Shops & Establishments Act
		Priority No.19: Re-classification of new non-polluting industries as 'White' Category
<b>5</b>	Priority Area V: Overarching Priorities	Priority No.15: Third party certification for Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) currently issued by State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)
		Priority No. 20: Fire inspection by accredited third parties and extending the validity of Fire NOCs
		Priority No. 21: Introduction of State Level Acts similar to Jan Vishwas Act
		Priority No.22: Third Party Inspections for Low & Medium risk businesses for all approvals
		Priority No. 23: Bring all State level services into a State Single Window System and link it to the National Single Window System (NSWS)

**Annexure 3: Indicative list of departments from the state/UT-**

1. Municipal and Urban Development Department
2. Revenue/ Land Reforms
3. Industries
4. Labour
5. Electricity / Energy
6. Public Health Engineering/ Water Supply
7. State Pollution Control Board
8. Environment and Forest
9. Fire Safety Department
10. Town and Country Planning Department

Any other Department(s) that the State/UT deems fit with information to the office



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**Travel Itinerary - Visit of Task Force Team to UT of ANI**

The Nodal Officer for coordination with the task force is Shri. Jwahaar Lal Das, Industries Promotion Officer (H), DIC-Industries Department, Contact: 9474236378 and assisted by Shri A. Nikky Ajosetin, EI, DIC, Contact: 9531890057.

Sl. No	Name of the Officer	Date of Arrival	Date of Departure	Place of Accommodation & Vehicle	Liaison
01.	Shri. Vijay Kumar, Chairman, IWAI Mob: 9650100899 Ph. No. 0120-2543972	21.03.2025 (Fri) At 12:30 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 08:30 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 02 days (01 Eco-Friendly Cottage)  Premium SUV	Shri. Md. Ishaque, Deputy Director, DI (9434261500)  Assisted by Shri. L. S. Senthil Velu, LGC, DIC (9933234642)
02.	Dr. Ayyaj Tamboli, Director, Cabinet Secretariat Mob: 9425263400 Ph. No. 011-23015342	21.03.2025 (Fri) At 09:00 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 08:30 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 02 days (01 Semi-Deluxe Room)  Premium SUV	Shri. Abdul Rashid, Assistant Director, DI (9474248484)  Assisted by Shri. Rohit Kumar Ojha, LGC, DIC (9507206376)
03.	Shri. Mohammad Ishar Ali, Director, DPIIT Mob: 9935774982 Ph. No. 011-23038931	21.03.2025 (Fri) At 09:00 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 08:30 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 02 days (01 Semi-Deluxe Room)  Premium SUV	Shri. Rakesh Kumar, Executive Officer, KVIB (9476009011)  Assisted by Shri. K. Lokesh, MTS, DIC (9679522933)
04.	Shri. P.K. Das, Joint Director, MSME-DFO Mob: 7003794210	22.03.2025 (Sat) At 08:00 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 06:00 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 01 days (01 Semi-Deluxe Room)  Premium SUV	Shri. Giriraj Singh Chauhan, Supervisor, KVIB (9933284999)
05.	Shri. Vinay Kumar Prajapati, Member (Traffic & Logistics), IWAI Mob: 8445889991	21.03.2025 (Fri) At 12:30 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 08:30 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 02 days (01 Semi-Deluxe Room)  Premium SUV	Shri. I Surya Teja, Industries Promotion Officer, DI (7063937321)  Assisted by Shri. Umesh Rao, MTS, DI (9933265089)
06.	Shri. Pradeep S, Young Professional, NITI Aayog Mob: 8825887491	21.03.2025 (Fri) At 11:19 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 07:25 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 02 days (01 Semi-Deluxe Room)  SUV	Shri. Raja, MTS, DI (9474215790)
07.	Shri. Shubham Sisodia Traffic & Logistics team, IWAI Mob: 7447267117	21.03.2025 (Fri) At 12:30 Hrs	23.03.2025 (Sun) At 08:30 Hrs	Megapode Resort for 02 days (01 Semi-Deluxe Room)  SUV	

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