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Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food & public Distribution
Directorate of Sugar & VO

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Date: 24.03.2022

To,

MD/CEO
(Sugar Mills / Distilleries producing ethanol)

Subject: Single Window System for Approvals of Ethanol Projects

Madam/Sir,

This is regarding the **National Single Window System (NSWS)** which is a digital platform under the Department for promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) for guidance of investors to identify and to apply for various approvals as per their business requirements.

2. As you are aware, DFPD is also dealing with various Ethanol Interest Subvention Schemes notified from time to time to augment and enhance the ethanol production capacities in the country so as to achieve 10% blending of fuel grade ethanol with petrol by 2022 & 20% blending by 2025 under Ethanol Blended with Petrol (EBP) Programme of Govt. of India. Under these Schemes, about 1028 proposals (898 in-principle approvals and 130 conditional approvals due to pending Govt. dues against the projects) have been approved across the country.

3. For setting up of a new/ expansion of existing ethanol plant, the project proponents who have taken in-principal approval of DFPD and also those entrepreneurs who want to set up ethanol plants on their own without any financial assistance from the Government, have to obtain various statutory clearances from various Departments of Central Government as well as respective State Governments where the proposed plant is coming up. Applying for various clearances from different departments being a tedious and cumbersome process takes a lot of time and inadvertently delays the process of establishment of such ethanol plants. This would be beneficial to even existing sugar mills and distilleries in their future projects as well as renewal of licenses or approvals.

4. NSWS is a one-stop-platform for investors for approvals & clearances and as of today it hosts approvals across 32 Central Departments and 14 States. Besides, all solutions will be there for all at one click of the mouse through 'End to End' facilitation and this would bring Transparency, Accountability & Responsiveness in the ecosystem and all information will be available on a single dashboard and enable the project proponents to identify and obtain approvals and clearances needed for a ethanol plant.

5. Thus, in order to provide an ease to the project proponents, which are approved by DFPD under various ethanol interest subvention schemes, all sugar mills / distilleries producing ethanol are advised to enroll themselves with NSWS of DPIIT at online portal viz. <https://www.nsws.gov.in> so that you may get all approvals of Central and State Governments department at one platform rather than running around various Central & State Governments departments individually.

Yours faithfully,



(Sangeet)

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Copy to:

- 1) Additional Secretary, DPIIT
- 2) Principal Secretaries in charge of Sugar/Sugarcane of concerned States
- 3) Principal Secretaries in charge of Industry Department of concerned States
- 4) Cane/Excise Commissioners of concerned States
- 5) ISMA/NFCSF/AIDA- with a request to ensure enrollment of their member sugar mills/distilleries on NSWS