To

1. All Joint Secretaries, DoC
2. All Development Commissioners-SEZ
3. Chairman, EPCES

Subject: Technology Acquisition and Development Fund (TADF) for MSMEs- regarding.

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer to D.O letter No. 9/2/2015-MPS dated 30.11.2015 received from Ms. Shubhra Singh, Joint Secretary, DIPP (copy enclosed) informing that DIPP has notified the Technology Acquisition & Development Fund (TADF) for MSME in the Gazette of India on 21.09.2015 (as a component of the National Manufacturing Policy). The scheme has been formally launched by Hon’ble MoS (I/C) for Commerce & Industry on 18.11.2015. It is requested that the scheme may be given wide publicity and brought to notice of the stakeholders concerned.

Encl. As above

Yours faithfully,

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Dear Ma'am,

The Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) has notified the Technology Acquisition and Development Fund (TADF) for MSMEs in the Gazette of India on 21st September, 2015 (as a component of the National Manufacturing Policy being implemented by DIPP). The scheme was formally launched by Hon'ble Minister of State (IC) for Commerce and Industry on 18th November, 2015.

1. The scheme is conceptualized to enable the MSMEs to acquire Clean, Green & Energy Efficient technologies through patent pool and licensing and reimbursement of direct patent acquisition cost. The Scheme envisages incentivizing production of equipment for controlling pollution, reducing energy consumption and for water conservation through interest and capital subsidies; as well as incentives for energy and environment audit, waste water treatment, rain water harvesting, renewable energy and Green Buildings.

2. The subsidy/incentives/financial support under the scheme will be available to those MSME manufacturing units which are pre-registered with the appropriate government, and whose projects are sanctioned and operational prior to 31.3.2017.

3. DIPP has entrusted the task of implementation of the Scheme to Global Innovation and Technology Alliance (GITA), a joint venture Section 25 company. MSME units may be advised to visit the webpage at http://www.gita.org.in for detailed information and online filing of the application. A copy of the brochure on this scheme is enclosed for ready reference. The notification of the scheme on TADF is available at DIPP website, dipp.nic.in.

4. It is requested that the information about the scheme be given wide publicity.

With regards,

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Yours sincerely,

(Shubhra Singh)
Technology Acquisition & Development Fund (TADF)
Enabling Ideas Empowering MSMEs
About TADF

India needs to create an effective environment to enable its Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) to partner with global businesses to evolve “Innovative Clean / Green / Energy Efficient Technologies” to catalyze the manufacturing growth which will contribute to the national focus of “Make in India”.

To accelerate this process, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt of India had notified vide DIPP’s Notification reference no SO 2580 (E) dated September 21, 2015, a unique Scheme for enabling Technology Acquisition and Development under the National Manufacturing Policy 2011 especially supporting the followings:

- Reimbursement of Direct Patent Acquisition Cost

TADF scheme is a transformational mechanism for Indian MSMEs to acquire Clean, Green & Energy Efficient Technologies, in form of Technology / Customised Products / Specialised Services / Patents / Industrial Design available in the market with requisite level of proof from individuals, organizations located in India or anywhere else across the Globe.

TADF scheme is Technically & Administratively managed by the Global Innovation & Technology Alliance (GITA).

Who should Apply?

TADF Scheme is applicable to All Existing & new MSMEs including those in the National Investment and Manufacturing Zones (NIMZs).
The Technology / Patents / Industrial Design must be categorised as 'Clean and Green Technology' as per the specifications / definitions / eligibility criteria.

The applicant either should have required competence in the field or already been involved in the production, fabrication and manufacturing process using the technology, process or similar line of activities.

Companies must be incorporated in India and should be classified under the MSME category as defined by the Govt of India (including proprietorship, partnership, LLP, private limited, limited) with at least 51% stake should be held by Indian citizens.

The Technology / Customised Products / Specialised Services / Patents / Industrial Design to be acquired or brought, provided by a reputed & registered organisation, located in India or anywhere else across the Globe.

Mode of Technology Acquisition

- Outright purchase of Technologies with / without the engagement of a Consultant
- Joint venture with counter parts for Relevant Technology Acquisition
- Purchase of active Intellectual Property Right (IPR) for large scale deployment of relevant technologies
- Creation of Technology Pool / Patent Pool

**For funding details refer Gazette Notification reference no SO 2580 (E) dated September 21, 2015 [http://dipp.nic.in/English/acts_rules/Notification/TADF_Notification_01_October_2015.pdf]**
Understanding the TADF Mechanism

- Download the Guideline and Application Form from [http://gita.org.in/DIPP-TADF.html](http://gita.org.in/DIPP-TADF.html) and complete the same with necessary testimonials.
- Register yourself for Online Application Submission.
- Submit the completed application till the Midnight of the last date of the respective RFP Cycle will be considered. Application will only be accepted through Online Mode; any other form of submission will not be considered.
- Applicants will be informed via email after the initial Screening for the Completeness of the Information.
- Techno-financial evaluation of received Proposal by a Panel of Experts (PoE) appointed by DIPP / GITA will be carried out and applicants may be called at their expenses for making presentation to the PoE.
- Approval of Green Manufacturing Advisory Committee (GMAC) on evaluated proposal by the PoE. Results will be communicated to all applicants via email.
- Release of the Grant letter by GITA to the Successful Applicants and Signing of Agreement.
- Submission of hard copy of Commissioning Letter (with Financial Utilization Certificate signed by the third party CA auditor) of the approved Technology jointly by the applicant company and the Technology Provider.
- Immediate Release of Grant Fund after on site verification by Experts / GITA personnel.

### Evaluation Cycles

Request for Proposal will remain open till January 31, 2017

1st Cycle: Application received till January 15, 2016
2nd Cycle: Application received till February 29, 2016
3rd Cycle: Application received till June 30, 2016
4th Cycle: Application received till October 15, 2016
5th Cycle (Last): Application received till January 31, 2017

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