

Press Release

Hon'ble Minister for Industries, Investment Promotion & Commerce Department
Dr. T.R.B. Rajaa holds first ever Annual SIPCOT BizBuddy Outreach at Oragadam

As a part of Honourable Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Thiru M.K. Stalin's continuous efforts to improve the industrial ecosystem of Tamil Nadu, honourable Minister for Industries Dr. T.R.B. Rajaa inaugurated the "SIPCOT BizBuddy Outreach" programme and held the first ever Annual SIPCOT BizBuddy Outreach event at SIPCOT Oragadam Industrial Park today.

SIPCOT BizBuddy Outreach is a first-of-its-kind programme initiated by the Minister for Industries, and undertaken by SIPCOT and the Department of Industries, to address the needs and concerns of the industry. Annual SIPCOT BizBuddy Outreach events will now be held across all industrial parks of SIPCOT starting this year. Representatives of all establishments in the industrial parks will be invited to share their challenges and ideas with officials of SIPCOT and the Industries department.

"The Chief Minister has advised us to keep our ears open to feedback from investors and industry representatives. The idea behind the programme is to listen to the industry, and address your concerns in the best way possible. We want to assure you that we intend to stand by you and help you solve any issues you may face. We want your honest feedback. We are also very keen on taking your inputs on how to improve policies and infrastructure in your respective parks," said Dr. T.R.B. Rajaa, to a packed audience at the event.

1. During the Demand for Industries for the year 2023-24, considering the request of the industries, 200 bedded dormitory facility in the land area of 1.08 acres at an estimated cost of R.10.00 Crores and the dormitory facility will be put in use very soon.
2. Pillaipakkam village road from SH - 113 28/8 KM to SIPCOT boundary for a length of 0.70 km will be widened to 5.5 meter and upgraded to Highway standard at an estimated cost of Rs.2.40 Crores and will be done as earlier as possible. To meet out the increasing water requirement of the industries without uninterrupted supply, the water storage facility will be increased by constructing 10 LL capacity sump and 5 LL capacity OHT at an estimated cost of Rs.4.85 Crores and the facility will be put in use.
3. Keeping in view of the parking facility need of the industries, Truck Parking facilities at three locations with a capacity to park 210 Trucks in an area of 6.92 acres was constructed at a cost of Rs. 5.92 Crores. For operation and maintenance of the

facility, the work order has been issued for a value of Rs.21.13 Lakhs (for the first year) and these three Truck Parks will come into use as earlier as possible.

4. To ease out the increase in traffic at the Industrial Park, Vallakottai - Mettupalayam village road to a length of 2.38 Km will be upgraded and widened to 18 meters at a cost of Rs.14.10 Crores. To facilitate the transportation of Aerospace parts, village road from Mettupalayam junction to Aerospace Park for a length of 1.78 Km will be widened to 18 metres and upgraded to Highway standard at an estimated cost of Rs.10.00 Crores.
5. Considering the demand of industries, truck parking facility to accommodate 204 vehicles have been constructed at a cost of Rs.5.39 Crores in four locations each one acre, which will be completed soon.

More than 250 representatives from the industry attended the event held today at Hotel Mercure in Oragadam. Industry representatives from various establishments in Oragadam, Irungattokottai, Sriperumbudur and Pillaipakkam participated. The event was held in an open-house format and everyone was given the opportunity to speak. Several representatives shared their ideas and concerns with the minister and officials, and thanked the government for this initiative. It was pointed out by industry representatives that this is the first time ever that such an event was held, and they added that they were very happy to participate in this event.

After listening to the speakers from the industry, the Minister promised to look into improving power infrastructure, improving internet connectivity, build new convention centres, build dormitories for workers and set up sports centres in and around industrial parks.

Improving the infrastructure of SIPCOT parks and addressing the concerns of the industry are also key to realising Honourable Chief Minister Thiru M.K. Stalin's goal of a one-trillion-dollar economy in Tamil Nadu, said the Minister.

On this occasion Industries, Investment Promotion & Commerce Department Additional Chief Secretary Thiru S. Krishnan IAS, SIPCOT Managing Director Tmt. E. Sundaravalli IAS, SIPCOT Executive Director Thiru Nishant Krishna IAS and various Industrial Organisation Association Presidents & Members also participated in this meet.

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