

IMPORTANT EVENT, SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS AND MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS UNDERTAKEN DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, 2016:

- 1.1 The Budget Announcement regarding the setting up of the National Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe Hub has been given shape by launching of National SC/ST Hub Scheme at a cost of Rs.490 crores.
- 1.2 Ministry of MSME have made furnishing of information compulsory for the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises by notifying Micro, small and Medium enterprises Development (Furnishing of Data), rules, 2016.
- 1.3 Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Kalraj Mishraji alongwith Hon'ble Union Minister for Urban Development Shri Venkaiah Naidu and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh Shri N. Chandrababu Naidu laid the foundation stone of MSME Technology Centre at Visakhapatnam on 23rd July, 2016. The Technology Centre is one of the 15 new TCs being established under Technology Centre Systems Programme (TCSP).
- 1.4 Largest Wooden Charkha (spinning wheel) of the World was installed at Terminal-3, Departure Forecourt, IGI Airport, New Delhi on 5th July, 2016 by Shri Amit Shah, President, BJP when Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Kalraj Mishraji was also present. The logical idea for displaying the world's biggest charkha is to highlight India's quest to foster an egalitarian society as demonstrated by Mahatma Gandhi, the father of the nation.
- 1.5 For the first time, 'Khadi India Gift Coupons / Vouchers' were launched in the range of denominations of Rs.500/-, Rs.1000/- and Rs.5,000/-.
- 1.6 An India International Coir Fair (IICF) was organized at Coimbatore which was visited by Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Kalraj Mishraji and Hon'ble Minister of State for MSME Shri Giriraj Singh which was a resounding success showcasing the latest trends and developments in Coir Industry. It acted as a platform for the forward progress of Indian Coir Sector. Coir Board organized a Reverse Buyer Seller Meet as part of the IICF 2016. 43 prominent overseas buyers from the floor covering / home furnishing / handicraft / gardening / bio engineering / machinery sectors from 20 countries all over the world participated in the event.
- 1.7 A Mobile app "My Coir" was also launched, which gives a brief description of various coir beneficiary schemes implemented by Coir Board to assist small entrepreneurs.

2. **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- 2.1 Under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), being implemented by KVIC, 1,08,011 applications were received till 31.07.2016 for the year 2016-17 under the scheme. Out of the said applications and the pending cases of 2015-16 already sanctioned by the banks, Margin money subsidy of Rs. 472.76 crore was disbursed by the banks upto 31.07.2016 which will facilitate setting up of 20,921 micro enterprises.
- 2.2 Various Institutes and organizations under the Ministry imparted entrepreneurship/skill development training to 32,399 persons during the month of July, 2016.
- 2.3 NSIC provided Common Facility Services to 402 micro and small enterprises and also assisted MSMEs with supply of basic raw materials worth Rs. 1425.16 crore during this month. NSIC also participated in 2 International Event (Abroad), 13 Domestic Exhibitions, 2 Buyer Seller Meet / Vendor Development Programme, 1 Other Support services and 6 Marketing Campaigns in India.