RTI REQUEST DETAILS			
Registration No. :	CSLTD/R/E/24/00037	Date of Receipt :	24/06/2024
Type of Receipt :	Online Receipt	Language of Request :	English
Name:		Gender:	
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State :		Country:	
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Status(Rural/Urban) :	_	<b>Education Status:</b>	
Is Requester Below Poverty Line?:		Citizenship Status	
Amount Paid :	10)	<b>Mode of Payment</b>	Payment Gateway
Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? :	No(Normal)	Request Pertains to :	
Information Sought :	It has come to my attention that Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL), a peer organization in the shipbuilding sector, has policies in place that give preference to MSMEs and Startups in their procurement processes. Specifically, MDL provides relaxations in experience and turnover requirements for MSMEs and Startups. I would like to know whether Cochin Shipyard Limited has implemented similar policies or initiatives.  Therefore, I request the following information:  Does Cochin Shipyard Limited give any preference to MSME and Startup companies in its procurement processes? If yes, please provide details of such policies, including any relaxations in experience and turnover requirements, and the criteria used for giving preference.  Are there any specific procurement programs or initiatives at CSL aimed at promoting MSMEs and Startups? If yes, please provide detailed information about these programs.  If no preference is given to MSME and Startup companies, please explain the reasons behind this decision and whether there are any plans to introduce such policies in the future. If there are plans, please specify when these policies are expected to be implemented.  For your reference, Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited has been known to implement policies favoring MSMEs and Startups, thereby encouraging the growth of these sectors by providing necessary relaxations. I am keen to understand if Cochin Shipyard Limited follows a similar approach		







CSL/SEC/CS/CORRESP/RTI/2024/1

July 03, 2024

## **Sub: Information Under Right to Information Act**

Dear Sir,

- 1. Please refer your RTI request no. CSLTD/R/E/24/00037 dated June 24, 2024. The reply to the information sought under the said request is given below:
  - (i) Does Cochin Shipyard Limited give any preference to MSME and Startup companies in its procurement processes? If yes, please provide details of such policies, including any relaxations in experience and turnover requirements, and the criteria used for giving preference.

## Reply

Yes. Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) mandatorily complies with the Gol's Public Procurement Policy (PPP) for MSME under Section 11 of MSMED Act, 2006 and its amendments notified till date. Purchase preferences to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) & Startups as per relevant Govt. Orders and OMs are fully complied with by CSL. Details of relaxations and various preferences for MSEs & Startups are being followed and are published in CSL website for ready reference under 'MSME' tab and such conditions form part of CSL tenders published through various Govt. portals viz., GeM, GePNIC, CPP etc.

(ii) Are there any specific procurement programs or initiatives at CSL aimed at promoting MSMEs and Startups? If yes, please provide detailed information about these programs.

## Reply

Yes. CSL have been conducting Vendor Development Programmes (VDPs) for MSE suppliers including SC/ ST and Women in association with MSME DFO, Kerala and agencies like Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (FICCI), Coimbatore District Small Industries Association (CODISSIA), Coimbatore SIDCO Industrial Estate Manufacturers Welfare Association (COSIEMA), Dalit Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DICCI), Kochi etc. The details of such programmes conducted during the last two years are given below:

- (a) Exclusive VDP for SC/ ST and Women entrepreneurs at Kochi January 06, 2022:
- (b) National VDP for MSMEs at Kochi November 17 & 18, 2022;
- (c) VDP & Expo for MSMEs at Coimbatore May 11, 2023;





- (d) Expo & Presentation for MSMEs at Coimbatore August 11 & 12, 2023;
- (e) Expo & Presentation for MSMEs VDP at Thrissur September 29, 2023; and
- (f) Exclusive VDP for SC/ ST and Women entrepreneurs at Kochi December 07, 2023.
- (iii) If no preference is given to MSME and Startup companies, please explain the reasons behind this decision and whether there are any plans to introduce such policies in the future. If there are plans, please specify when these policies are expected to be implemented.
- (iv) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited has been known to implement policies favoring MSMEs and Startups, thereby encouraging the growth of these sectors by providing necessary relaxations. Whether Cochin Shipyard Limited follows a similar approach.

## Reply (iii) & (iv)

Please refer reply to point no. (i) and (ii) above.

2. If you are not satisfied with the above reply, you may prefer an appeal within 30 days from the date of receipt of this letter to Shri Bejoy Bhasker, Director (Technical) & Appellate Authority, Cochin Shipyard Limited, Administrative Building, Cochin Shipyard Premises, Perumanoor, Kochi – 682 015.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

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**Company Secretary & CPIO**