

F.No. P-36017/239/2018-BE-III  
 Government of India  
 Ministry of Commerce & Industry  
 Deptt. of Industrial Policy & Promotion  
 (Investment Promotion Section)

Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi  
 Dated: 31 December, 2018

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Sub: Long delays in payments by Govt. Agencies, PSUs and Other Infrastructure organizations-reg.**

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to O.M of even no. dated 29.10.2018 seeking information on above cited subject in prescribed format and to say that requisite information from your Department is still pending.

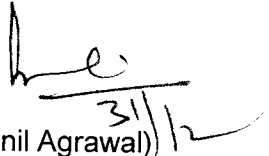
2 It has been reported that many companies are suffering cash flow breakdown due to long delays in payments by government agencies, public sector undertakings and other infrastructure organizations and observed that there have been significant arrears/delays and some organizations are also resorting to arbitration instead of resolution of payments.

3 As per circular dated 16.11.2016 issued by NITI Aayog regarding decision taken by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) for the revival of construction sector and laying down a detailed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for streamlining the process of release of payment to contractors. Similarly, Department of Expenditure vide OM dated 20.09.2016 has also made it obligatory for payments to be made within 10 days to Sellers/Suppliers for purchases made on Government e-Market Place (GeM).

4 Prime Minister Office has observed that NITI Aayog's circular is not being effectively implemented by government agencies, public sector undertakings and other infrastructure organizations and has directed to take pro-active steps to resolve this legitimate grievance.

5 Therefore, it is once again requested to make an assessment of the situation of pending payments for the goods and services already provided or works already completed in your Ministry and attached offices and organizations. Information about pending payments may be shared with DIPP in prescribed format latest by 03.01.2019 positively.

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