3988 25/10/16 वाणिज्य सचिव Rita Teaotia, IAS नर्ड दिल्ली-110 011 19/10/16 COMMERCE SECRETARY **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA** NEW DELHI-110 011 D. O. No. 1/8/2016-EP(Engg) Acc End 07 October, 2016 EEPC India, the Council for promoting engineering exports, hosts "International Engineering Sourcing Show" (IESS) annually for promoting Indian exports of engineering products. It is the Chief dargest sourcing show as well a partnership event organized with a view to facilitate MSMEs to explore local opportunities in terms of networking, collaboration and sourcing of products and technology available in India and abroad. IESS lays greater emphasis on exchange of knowledge and technology development as they are the core areas of efficient production and exports. The last edition of the event was held on November 24-26, 2015 with support from key Ministries of the Government of India, as also from various industry members from India and abroad. More than 300 exhibitors displayed their products showcasing India's engineering prowess to the world. A footprint of over 400 overseas buyers and involvement of more than 10,000 traders/buyers make IESS the largest comprehensive engineering show of the nation. International business delegates from SAARC, Middle East, ASEAN, Africa, CIS, EU and LAC regions participated in the last event, reflecting the strong image the event has created for the Indian engineering industry. The Sixth edition of the show will be held in Chennai on March 16-18, 2017 envisaging better showcasing of engineering products and larger participation from overseas countries. The event will also host sessions on technology development, global vendor development, investment forum, B2B meets for focused sectors etc. 2016 Considering that technology upgradation/development is the way forward for engineering sector's growth in the country, my Department has taken various initiatives for technology awareness in Industrial clusters. The Chennai edition will focus, inter-alia, on Innovation & Technology as a thrust area and project India as a technology & sourcing hub for global manufacturing value supply chain. This will provide a great opportunity for Indian industry, especially MSMEs, which form the vendor/feeder industry for larger units, to participate in large members and gain awareness of Govt. schemes/initiatives. IESS-2017 will be a unique platform for the state of Rajasthan to promote its Engineering Clusters, Special Economic Zones, Innovation, Industrial R&D, Small Scale industry in manufacturing sector. Your State may take part in the "State Investment Forum" to take forward "Make in India" initiative in the state. I therefore request your state to participate in IESS 2017 and showcase your "Manufacturing Hubs" through a pavilion by involving industrial units of your State. Shri Bhaskar Sarkar, Executive Director & Secretary, EEPC India (Tel. 011-23353353; email: ed@eepcindia.net) would get in touch with the concerned department for further follow up. कार्यालय, अति ित्त मुख्य विद उद्योग, राजकाय स्टब्स्य अप्रवासी भारतीय एवं एए। कि विकास १९०० 1322770 Yours sincerely. [Rita Teaotia] Shri O.P. Meena Chief Secretary Government of Rajasthan Jaipur