

Production Protocols during the Pandemic - A deliberation

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EPCH successfully organised an awareness webinar (virtually) on "Production Protocols during the Pandemic - A deliberation" for member exporters. Mr. Ravi K Passi, Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Raj Kumar Malhotra, Vice Chairman, EPCH; Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Director General, EPCH; Mr Kamal Soni, Vice Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Avdesh Aggarwal, Regional Coordinator from Moradabad; Mr. Pradip Muchhala and Mr. Rajesh Jain - prominent exporters along with a large number of member exporters were present in the webinar.

Mr. Raj Kumar Malhotra was the key speaker. He shared his vast experience in the field of international trade and briefed about latest methods on how to make COVID compliance in handicraft manufacturing units, a doable exercise.

Mr. Raj Kumar Malhotra, Vice Chairman, EPCH elaborated on the important steps to be followed for protection from COVID pandemic in factories through real time examples of his own factory premises. He made a detailed PowerPoint presentation wherein he stressed on the need for regular temperature monitoring, clean workplace environment, use of Aarogya Setu app, nominating a nodal officer in the company to look after Covid protocol, encourage vaccination, Guidelines for entry of the Raw Material and exit of the Finished products along with compliance by suppliers and many such steps to provide safe and healthy working environment for everyone.

Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Director General, EPCH during his address, informed the participants that the COVID pandemic has brought to the fore, the importance of COVID compliances in manufacturing organisations for safety of their workers. He mentioned that the recent pandemic wave and economic shutdown have brought the term "Compliance" back to popularity.



Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Director General, EPCH, addressing the virtual interaction meet, along with Mr. Ravi K Passi, Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Raj Kumar Malhotra, Vice-Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Kamal Soni, Vice Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Avdesh Aggarwal, Regional Coordinator, EPCH; and leading member exporters - Mr. Rajesh Jain and Mr. Pradip Muchhala

The sector has to rise up and face the challenge by strictly adhering to the COVID guidelines customised by EPCH for the handicraft manufacturing units.

Mr. Ravi K Passi, Chairman, EPCH while addressing the participants, mentioned that with the outbreak of the pandemic, industries have experienced a slowdown that has forced companies and organisations to take drastic measures for safety of the workforce and appreciated Mr. Malhotra and other speakers for sharing their views with the member participants.

He further added, that the knowledge shared by Mr. Malhotra would certainly help the other handicraft manufacturing sector to work effectively and safely manage the operations in this pandemic environment.

This online meeting was also addressed by Mr. Kamal Soni, Vice Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Avdesh Aggarwal, Regional coordinator EPCH from Moradabad; Mr. Pradip Muchhala and Mr. Rajesh Jain - prominent exporters, sharing their experience on their dealing with the pandemic situation while keeping the production in their factories running. ■