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GENESIS

The Foundation for MSME Clusters (FMC) was conceptualised to contribute towards the process of cluster based development of MSMEs and thus enhance their competitiveness, innovativeness, generate sustainable employment and alleviate poverty. FMC was legally constituted as a non-profit registered Trust in the year 2005.

Vision

"An economically progressive, socially connected, environmentally sustainable world that is spiritually rooted and composed of interconnected yet diverse local socio-economic systems"

MISSION

"To assist institutions undertake effective and inclusive cluster based local area development in developing and transition economies"

OBJECTIVES

- Cluster initiatives become inclusive.
- Cutting edge methodologies, tools, information and resources are accessible.
- Effective linkages emerge between clusters and important thematic institutions in the area of finance; infrastructure; environment; research & development (R&D); social responsibility; science, technology & innovation (STI) and local governance.
- Trained and competent professionals and institutions are available to facilitate cluster-based development.
- Models of strong community based civil society organisations emerge to take up cluster based sustainable development initiatives.

STRATEGY & SERVICES

The FMC provides and enables services in three broad areas of Policy & Strategy, Implementation & Coordination, and Training & Institutional Capacity Building by collaborating with international agencies, governments, financial institutions, academic organisations, technical bodies, industry associations, non-government organisations and corporate entities.

CELLS & THEIR SERVICES



Promote energy effciency through technology upgradation address environmental issues, and stimulate renewable energy usage among MSMEs.



Prepare detailed project reports (DPRs), build capacities of special purpose vehicles (SPVs), and implementing agencies, provide mangement services for creation of common facility centres(CFCs), industrial parks and common infrastructure development projects.



Provide policy and research support for creating cutting edge cluster development methodologies, tools, information and resources.



Implement cluster development programme (CDP) to improve productivity and competitiveness of MSMEs in clusters & value chains. Also, provide program management services (PMSs) to donor agencies and technical support to implementing organisations for implementation of CDP.



Conceptualise and implement training & capacity building programmes for Micro, Small, and Medium Enteprises (MSMEs) and cluster development for implementers, policy makers, and Business management organisations (BMOs).

OUR MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

- Conceptualise, designed, supported and evaluated cluster initiatives in 15 developing countries.
- Outreach in almost all the states/regions across India to implement and support cluster initiatives.
- Published 15 documents and videos on cluster development including methodology documents, policy papers, and case studies across thematic displines.





Institutional Clientele

- Organized more than 50 programmes on cluster development methodology in India and abroad.
- * Teamed up with over 300 associations & 25 institutions to promote CDP.
- * Provided knowledge storehouse on the only cluster observatory of India (www.clusterobservatory.in)
- Govt. of India:- Department of Science and Technology (DST), MoST; Development Commissioner (DC-MSME); Khadi & Village Industries Commission (KVIC); Coir Board (MoMSME); National Institute of Labour Economics Research (NILER); Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI).
- ••• International Agencies:- European Union (EU); United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO); International Finance Corporation (IFC); Deutsche Gasellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ); Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation (SDC); International Labour Organization(ILO); South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Development Fund.
- State Governments:- Directorate of Micro & Small Scale Enterprises, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Punjab, Odisha and West Bengal; Kerala Bureau of Industrial Promotion (KBIP).
- Corporates:- YES BANK Ltd.; Reliance Capital; ACC Cement Works Pvt. Ltd.

TEAM



- Multi-disciplinary team: More than 30 full time and 20 part time professionals specialized in management, finance, social work, HR, engineering and technology.
- Total MSME experience of the team is more than 190 years.
- Exposure of the team in more than 200 MSME clusters globally.

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