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WORKING GROUP ON INDIAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

Planning Commission has set up the working group on Chemicals and Petrochemicals for formulation of the 11th Five Year Plan. Secretary(C&PC) is the chairperson of the working group. Joint Secretary (Chemicals) and Joint Secretary (Petrochemicals) are the member secretaries. This report is for Sub-Group of Chemicals.

Chemical sector consists of various chemicals like Chlor-alkali, Inorganic Chemicals, Organic Chemicals, Dyestuffs and Dye intermediates, Agro chemicals & Alcohol based chemicals. These chemicals have different characteristics and have different applications. Their uniqueness in their own areas makes it necessary to do a separate analysis for each of these sectors. Therefore to review the status of these industries, sectoral sub-groups were constituted. The sector-wise sub-groups for the industry constituted are as follows.

Following sub groups have been constituted for chemical industry:

1. Sub Group on Organic Chemicals
2. Sub Group on Chlor-Alkali & Inorganic Chemicals
3. Sub-Group on Dyestuffs & Dye Intermediates
4. Sub-Group on Pesticides and Agrochemicals
5. Sub-Group on Alcohol Based Industry.

The representatives of industries and industry associations were also associated in these sub groups. This report is based on the inputs received from these sub groups. The sub-groups (except on Chlor Alkalies and inorganic chemicals) have not furnished sufficient statistical data on production, installed capacities demand projections and import export etc. The draft report was therefore based on estimated production data reported to this Department by units covered in the

organized sector and import export data have been taken from DGCIS publications. However, as there are a large number of small-scale units difficulty was faced by the Working Group in collecting data.
