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14<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

To,

The Lt.Governor of Puducherry,  
Puducherry

Respected Lt.Governor,

This letter is to draw your attention towards the advisory issued by the Union Labour Minister, Shri Santosh Gangwar under Section 60 of the BOCW Act, 1996 to all the Chief Ministers/LGs of UTs to utilize the Cess Fund collected by BOCW Boards to give relief to the Construction Workers in the backdrop of the outbreak of COVID-19.

NCC-CL has learnt from Construction Workers of Puducherry that the Puducherry BOCW Board has **not** disbursed the relief of Rs.2000/- per Construction Worker announced by it because the sanction of the Lt.Governor is still pending.

We are sure that you are aware of the extension of the Lock Down announced by the Honorable Prime Minister today till 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2020. In view of this extension we request you to please sanction two installments of Rs.2000 each to all the Construction Worker immediately.

We are sure that you are aware that over 25 State/UT BOCW Boards have announced a relief from Rs.1000 to Rs.5000/- plus free ration or ration at nominal rates.

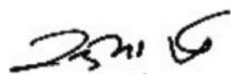
NCC-CL will like to inform you that because of the provision of Annual Bonus and Unemployment allowance the Puducherry BOCW Board has achieved the unique position in the Country of Maintaining over 90% annual renewal.

NCC-CL has also learnt that the sanction of free ration, as has been done all over South India, is also pending the sanction of the Lt.Governor of Puducherry.

Expecting urgent sanctions at your level,

With thanks,

Your Sincerely,



Subhash Bhatnagar

Copy to:- Prime Minister of India.

## **Advisory to all States/UTs to use Cess fund for Welfare of Construction Workers By Ministry of Labour and Employment**

In the backdrop of outbreak of COVID-19, numerous measures are being taken by the Government to give relief to workers. To support unorganized construction workers who sustain their livelihood on daily wages, an advisory has been issued today by Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Union Minister of State, I/C, Labour and Employment to all Chief Ministers/ LGs of all the States/ UTs. In the advisory, under Section 60 of the Building and Other Construction Workers Act, 1996 all State Governments/UTs have been advised to transfer funds in the account of construction workers through DBT mode from the Cess fund collected by the Labour Welfare Boards under the BOCW cess Act. About Rs 52000 crore is available as cess fund and about 3.5 crore construction workers are registered with these Construction welfare Boards



