**To, 3rd June 2020**

**H.E. Suzuki Satoshi**

**Ambassador of Japan in India**

**New Delhi, India**

**Sub: Regarding your Petition letter dated 22nd May 2020**

Dear H. E. Suzuki Satoshi,

At the outset, I would like to thank you for the request letter dated 22nd May 2020, where in you have appreciated the efforts in combatting the pandemic, as well as have raised certain issues, that are being faced by the organisations operating in Uttar Pradesh. We appreciate the concerns raised by you and would like to enumerate the various steps that the Government of Uttar Pradesh has initiated to smoothen the rebooting of the economy.

* For all operational issues, the Government of Uttar Pradesh have functionalised country specific help desk chaired by Ms Sujata Sharma, IAS, Special Secretary, Infrastructure and Industrial Development Department, and Managing Director – PICUP, Government of Uttar Pradesh. The dedicated email address is japanhelpdesk@udyogbandhu.com. The Mobile number is 8500851711 and office number: 0522-2226167.
* Would also like to apprise you that as per our information, Japanese companies working in the NCR region are functioning, however if any of the companies are facing any issues, they can highlight the same in the email id as mentioned above.
* Ms Shruti Singh, IAS, Additional CEO, NOIDA Authority has been nominated as the Nodal Officer for organisations operating in the NCR region for any kind of interventions. Mobile number: 9888561744 and desk number: 0120-2422309 and email: aceos@noidaauthorityonline.com
* Government of Uttar Pradesh has also initiated Labour Reforms, which will go a long way in mitigating the labour related issues if any.
* Government of Uttar Pradesh has also signed MOU’s with various Industry Associations for upskilling and reskilling the manpower and mitigating the skilled manpower shortage.

I hope these initiatives will help in mitigating the issues faced by Japanese companies.

Thanking You,

Sincerely Yours,

Alok Kumar

Principal Secretary

Industries Deppartment

Government of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.

CC: 1. Mr MurahashiYasuyuki,

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 President- JCCII