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To

Sh Prakash Javadekar

Minister of Public Enterprises and Heavy Industries,
Govt of India, New Delhi

Subject: Non classification of employees of PSUs as frontline workers for the purpose of immediate mass vaccinations, despite this category being most susceptible and prone to contracting Covid infections. Indifference and lack of concern quite unfortunate, in view of massive precious lives already lost.

Respected Sir

You are fully aware as to what extent the employees of PSUs working in the field units in vital sectors of Oil & Gas, Power, Telecom, Defense, Steel, Heavy Industries, fertilizer, Chemical, etc. etc. are exposed to contracting Covid infections. As concerned Ministry, you, we believe, are fully conscious of the degree of vulnerability of employees of PSUs in getting affected by the virus and also about thousands and thousands of precious lives already lost while discharging their official duties.

Yet, in view of this glaring and sorrowful reality, the concerned ministry is just not bothered to make serious efforts to get employees of PSUs categorized as frontline workers for the purpose of mass inoculation. It is really astonishing that while the employees of the private sector, not exposed to infection as much as employees of PSUs are because of their mostly on line working, have got their employees vaccinated on high priority, the concerned ministry of DPE&HI is just not bothered about getting their employees vaccinated as frontline workers. Almost all big Private companies, whose employees are mostly working from home, have got their employees vaccinated through their strenuous efforts which is really commendable and demonstrates their humane approach and concern towards saving valuable lives of their employees.

In sharp contrast, despite thousands and thousands of precious lives already lost by PSUs, we find absolutely no signs on the part of the concerned ministry in taking any steps in this direction. This only goes on to establish complete apathy and merciless behavior of the concerned ministry which is unfortunate, because despite the fact thousands and thousands of precious human lives have already been sacrificed by valiant and selfless employees of PSUs in serving the Nation

in critical sectors which matter the most while facing a deadly calamity like the present one, the ministry continues to be a unshaken towards such deadly developments that have devastated and uprooted the families of thousands and thousands of PSU employees. Precious lives of the existing employees can be saved by getting them vaccinated as frontline workers on highest priority. PSUs have already paid a huge price which for reasons best known to the concerned officials is not realized and recognized, let alone acknowledged and appreciated, by them.

In view of very painful and unbearable facts mentioned above, we seek your personal immediate intervention on such a sensitive matter on highest priority. We are very confident, in view of seriousness and urgency of the issue that the ministry will act with lightning and sparkling speed to get PSU employees classified as frontline workers, without any further fatal delay, so that they get immediately vaccinated and thus precious human lives are saved.

With warm regards

Yours sincerely



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