

Jan 2018 Vol 2***Meeting with Mr. Anil Agarwal, Joint Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion***

On 10th January 2018, Mr. Vijay Karia, Chairman, ELECRAMA-2018, Mr. Sunil Misra, Director General and Mr. Sudeep Sarkar, Director, IEEMA, called on Mr. Anil Agarwal, Joint Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Government of India. Mr. Karia, updated the joint Secretary on ELECRAMA and requested the support of the department in organizing the World Utility Summit.

Meeting of IEEMA Public Policy Cell

On 11th January 2018, a meeting of IEEMA Public Policy Cell was convened, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Vikas Khosla. Issues with Reverse Auction procedures followed by utilities were deliberated in the meeting. The issues faced by the industry were deliberated and the next course of action towards their resolution were decided. Some of major issues discussed were, adverse impact of Chapter-98, MEIS Scheme, Impact analysis of Free Trade / Preferential Trade Agreements, non-adherence to CEA guidelines by utilities, Make in India and GST.

***Meeting with SBI to discuss issues related to Credit availability for SME industries***

Chairman IEEMA SME Mr. Ashutosh Jatia met Mr. Sanjay Srivastava on 11th Jan, 2018 along with Mr. Harshwadan Parikh. The meeting was held to discuss issues related to Credit availability for SME industries. Mr. Srivastava was very happy with IEEMA efforts of taking such issues and attempt to finding appropriate solutions to help its members. Discussions were also held regarding special schemes for joint ventures, cluster and

vendor development activities and how SBI would help various manufacturers to form such clusters through their various promotional schemes. Also the succession planning issue faced by SME discussed at length. An invitation was also extended to the SBI for forthcoming SME conclave in Vadodara.

Policy Advocacy

IEEMA submitted a representation to Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd. on 9th January 2018, giving its recommendations on Reverse Auction. [Click here for details.](#)