

Assocham voices concern over pet coke ban in NCR

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"The only alternative to furnace oil and pet coke is natural gas, which is nearly four times more expensive and this the industry cannot afford in this competitive environment and poor economic scenario," Assocham held.

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"There has been no action by the government authorities to control the dust pollution. While they are trying to control stubble burning, they are facing

resistance from the farmers. But on the contrary, the industry is always agreeing to fully comply with the norms as and when laid down, yet they have been punished," said the industry body.

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फरनेस ऑयल पर प्रतिबंध लगने से दिल्ली व राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र के अन्य हिस्सों में 25 लाख लोगों की रोजी-रोटी पर संकट आ गया है। एसोचैम ने उद्योगों में फरनेस ऑयल और पेट कोक पर फिलहाल रोक लगायी है।

एसोचैम (एसोसिएटेड चैंबर ऑफ कॉमर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री ऑफ इंडिया) का कहना है कि अनुमान है कि एक नवंबर से फरनेस ऑयल और पेट कोक पर लगे प्रतिबंध से फरनेस व्यवसाय से सीधे

एसोचैम ने कहा- उद्योगों को समय दिया जाए

एसोचैम का कहना है कि मंत्रालय निर्धारित नए मानदंडों को पूरा करने के लिए उद्योगों को पर्याप्त समय दे ताकि वे फिर से अपनी प्रक्रिया शुरू कर सकें। अब प्रतिबंध के साथ सरकार को उद्योग को बचाने और लाखों श्रमिकों को बेरोजगार होने से रोकने के लिए जरूरी कदम उठाना चाहिए। एसोचैम का मानना है कि हानिकारक प्रदूषक सल्फर डाई आक्साइड (एसओ₂) और नाइट्रोजन ऑक्साइड (एनओ) के उत्सर्जन के बारे में कोई स्पष्ट दिशानिर्देश नहीं हैं।

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इस प्रतिबंध से दूसरी उच्च, लघु व मध्यम उद्योगों में जैसे टेक्सटाइल्स, रबर, सुगर, स्टील, पेपर, पैकेजिंग, फॉरगिंग, एग्री आधारित इंडस्ट्री भी प्रभावित हुए

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