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No. 01(08)/2020-BOI-PRMI GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

Board of Investment

(6th Floor, Kohsar Block, Pak Secretariat, Islamabad)

Islamabad, the 22th March, 2021

Subject:

ISSUES BEING FACED BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN PAKISTAN

Improving the business climate in Pakistan is on top agenda of the incumbent government, without which industry and businesses cannot prosper. Due to concerted efforts in recent years, Pakistan has increased its ranking on World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Index from 147 to 108 amongst 196 countries in past two years. Where World Bank's Ease of Doing Business reviews business activities in Lahore and Karachi, Government of Pakistan has now decided to expand the reforms activities across the country.

- 2. Qn the directions of Prime Minister of Pakistan, Board of Investment has started an initiative called Pakistan regulatory Modernization Initiative (PRMI). Key objective of this initiative is mapping, simplification, elimination and automation of necessary regulatory requirements of overall regulatory requirements of overall regulatory regime to minimize interaction of businessmen with the Government. The activities relating to PMRI can be accessed on dedicated website/portal www.business.gov.pk.
- 3. Your esteemed Association is requested to identify and share regulatory difficulties being faced by businesses of your industry due to **burdensome regulations of Government Departments** on the attached proforma. These issues will then be taken up with concerned Government Departments and all efforts will be made to resolve such issues.
- 4. Active participation and feedback from private sector in this project will enable Government to bring reforms in regulatory regime to ensure reduction in compliance burden and cost to businesses. In case you require any further clarifications, please contact the undersigned on 051-9217231 or arslanali6160@gmail.com.

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DIFFICULTIES BEING FACED BY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES DUE TO EXCESSIVE / PRIMITIVE REGULATIONS (REGISTRATION / APPROVAL / NOCS / LICENSES ETC)

Sl.No.	Type of Business (a)	Name of Regulatoy Dept. / Agency (b)	Specific Regulatory Requirements Causing Difficulty (c)	Nature of Difficulty (d)	Proposal for Simplification / Elimination (e)
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Notes:

- 1. In column (a), please provide the name of business e.g. "garments manufacturing", "retail shop", "ice cream factory", etc.
- 2. In column (b), "Name of regulatory Dept. / agency": please provide the name of government department e.g. income tax department, labour department, PSQCA etc.
- 3. In column (c), "Specific Regulatory requirements causing difficulty": please mention the specific procedure / document of the department e.g. "obtaining exemption certificate from RTO", "Obtaining certification from PSQCA for imported products" etc.
- 4. In column (d), please explain what difficulty is being experienced, e.g. "too much time is taken", "the fee / expense involved" etc.
- 5. In column (e), please provide proposals about how to change the regulatory requirement, e.g. in case of duplication / redundancy, elimination may proposed