

Minutes of the Meeting held on February 13th, 2021.

Time: 7:30 pm

Members Present: 29

ARK Rao	Adibabu Lavudi	Babu Rao Sadashivuni
Bharat Kumar Behara	Chantibabu Uriti	Chandrababu JVC
Giridhar Patnaik	Krishna Rao Dabbiru	Maheshwar Nagumantri
Malleswara Rao	Naraharinath Sekharamantri	Narasimha Rao Mantri
Naresh KP Dasimantri	Prasad Uriti	Pratap Raj
Rajesh Kumar	Ravi Karakavalasa	Ravi Kumar Tattikonda
Ravi Shankar Prasad Koduru	Sai Vamshi	Santosh Behara
Sridhar Dabbiru	Suresh Dabbiru	Suresh Kumar
Suresh Manapuram	taxguru Surya	Veera Babu

In addition, two members for Telugu Samajam, Chhattisgarh also graced the meeting on invitation from Maheshwar Nagumantri.

- It was noted that members of our community from different states participated in this meeting:
 - Telangana – 12
 - Andhra Pradesh – 10
 - Chhattisgarh – 1
 - West Bengal – 1
 - Delhi/NCR – 1
 - Unidentified – 2

Points Covered

- **Panel discussion on “Opportunities & Obligations for Micro, Small & Medium entrepreneurs”**

A very informative session was held about MSME businesses where Sridhar Dabbiru, Chantibabu Uriti, Rama Krishna Rao Ayyanamahanti and Malleshwara Rao Balivada spoke on various aspects with focus on setting up new industries, covering the areas of creating project reports and financing.

On queries from budding entrepreneurs Santosh Behara and Bharat Kumar Behara, advice was given by our experts Sridhar Dabbiru & Malleshwara Rao Balivada on the importance of a project feasibility report along with revenue projections for 1 year, 5 years and so on. On the proposed product itself (a distillery apparatus), Narsimha Rao Mantri suggested looking at the option of the customer base being manufacturers of such apparatus themselves, instead of the end customers like breweries and distilleries. Also, going for govt subsidy projects instead of huge investments.

Rama Krishna Rao Ayyanamahanti touched upon the relevant MSME policies & schemes, while Chantibabu Uriti presented comprehensive insights into the banking sector in terms of their support to entrepreneurs.

Action Items:

<i>From Current Meeting</i>			
Broad Initiative	Action proposed	Member Responsible	Approximate E.T.A
Community Business Platform	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Core Group is to be formed to forward this initiative. Proposed Members: Narasimha Rao Mantri, Malleshwara Rao Balivada, Rama Krishna Rao Ayyanamahanti, Sridhar Dabbiru and Chantibabu Uriti.• To create a video explaining this initiative, to be shared with those who would be interested.	Narasimha Rao Mantri	Sat, Feb 20, 2021

	<i>(The second action item is a carried forward item under the same initiative.)</i>		
<i>Action Items Carried forward from previous Minutes of Meeting</i>			
Broad Initiative	Action proposed	Member Responsible	Approximate E.T.A
Vivaha Vedika	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To evaluate the feasibility of other platforms such as an online “Swayamvaram”. 	Naresh Dashimantri	Sat, Feb 20, 2021
Skills Development (and Mobilizing Youth)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soft Skills Development sessions to be considered. To start planning sessions a different day of the week. Suggested topics: Information Technology; Spoken English. Youngsters present in the meeting to help reach out to more youngsters in the community. 	Narasimha Rao Mantri	Sat, Feb 20, 2021
General Benefits to Community	Another longer session on legal aspects of Property inheritance and Wills by Kuppili Muralidhar, in a special meeting.	Naresh Dashimantri	Sat, Feb 20, 2021
Website	Excel sheet of data of the local business people	Chandrababu JV	Sat, Feb 13, 2021
Member Data Collection	Formal Launching of the Form	Ravi Karakavalasa	Sat, Feb 20, 2021
<i>Previously Open Action Items Closed as on date</i>			
Broad Initiative	Action proposed	Member Responsible	Approximate E.T.A
Community Business Platform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Separate sessions/programmes to be planned on promoting Entrepreneurship in our community (with ARK Rao and Sridhar). 	Narasimha Rao Mantri	- NA -
Skills Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerned team to look at possible sessions or programmes for Guidance on Entrepreneurship for Product based businesses 	Narasimha Rao Mantri	- NA -
<i>It may be noted that both above items are closed with the special session conducted on Feb 13, 2021 and a new action item has come in place.</i>			

Meeting ended at 9:20 p.m.