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Article on The Bengal Chamber bridging the health care suppliers with health care providers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Bengal Chamber to link healthcare manufacturers with hospitals

Kolkata, Apr 09 (UNI) The Bengal Chamber has come forward in a proactive measure to link healthcare manufacturers with different hospitals to help minimize the gap between supply and demand as the Coronavirus continues to wreck havoc.

With the lockdown edging towards its third week, most industries, particularly the MSME sector, have been significantly hit.

The demand for healthcare essentials has taken a sharp rise as hospitals are falling short of essentials, including personal protective equipment, with rising cases of infections.

In such a situation the Bengal Chamber has taken a proactive measure to link healthcare manufacturers with different hospitals to help minimize the gap between supply and demand, a Chamber release issued here today said.

Five MSMEs which are registered manufacturers of hospital essentials and supply have responded to The Bengal Chamber. They are Adsun Enterprises, Eva Disposable Gloves, Udyogi International Pvt. Ltd., International Export House and Trent Trading Corporation.

Around eight private hospitals have got in touch with The Chamber with their enquiries.

Some of the other healthcare essentials which have been enquired by the hospitals and supply identified from MSMEs are N95 masks, disposable masks, disposable gloves, sanitizers, COVID-19 Rapid Test Kits, surgical face masks, disposable goggles, shoe cover, disposable gowns, HMHDPE drums, Dialysis Water Jars, pet bottles and plastic food containers in which food can be served at the hospitals.

“We are living through very difficult and unprecedented times. The Chamber is also engaged in innovating possible solutions to help combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The Chamber has been in constant touch with MSMEs which are connected with us. They are also facing challenges owing to the lock down. We have tried linking healthcare essentials manufacturers with healthcare units and hospitals who are in dire need,” said Dr. Alok Roy, Mentor, Health Committee and Former President, The Bengal Chamber.

“Till date, five MSMEs have contacted us over email, with details of the items that they manufacture and the quantity that they can supply. While three of them are manufacturers, the rest two are trading and export houses. However, we are now in a surplus condition, with respect to the demand placed by the hospitals and the cumulative amounts promised by the MSMEs, to have in their stock”, stated Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber.

Apart from these; EzeRx, an incubatee at Webel-BCC&I Tech Incubation Centre has made Affordable 3D face shields and 100% organic alcohol based anti viral, anti fungal and anti bacterial solution which, The Chamber has been informed, may also be useful in the current situation.

“We have been told that affordable 3D face shields can reduce droplets from falling on masks and is useful for medical professionals, pharmacies, pathology, supermarkets, petrol pumps, police stations and many more places. OzoRx is an Oil made from 25 Organic Alcohols along with 1 Organic Steroid which be used on exposed area of body. They have also proposed Indian Council of Medical Research to check its efficacy in COVID-19,” Mr Ghosh said.

The Bengal Chamber is creating the platform to connect the relevant stakeholders. The Chamber suggests the procurer to do the due diligence related to quality/rate/others.

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