

Sectors being permitted to operate in Industrial Areas in the city as per MPD 2041

In order to reduce/ control the Pollution levels in Delhi NCT, it is suggested to promote Non-Industrial activities in existing as well as in proposed new industrial estates as per MPD – 2041.

Non-industrial/ commercial activities that are being categorized and allowed as per MPD 2041 should be promoted and incentivized as they fast track the transformation of the current industrial areas to non-polluting areas. On the lines of 54 sectors already permitted to operate in the Industrial areas such as service based sectors, IT etc., Banquet halls should also be added to the category and should be allowed to operate in these areas.

High Conversion and FAR charges are the main obstacles/ hurdles that are not allowing the positive development of the Industrial areas from polluting to non-polluting areas. The main aim of MPD 2041 is to better utilize current infrastructure, create better and new infrastructure, reduce pollution and overall improve the entire Delhi NCT area.

Therefore, the following suggestions are herewith made:

1. Reduce commercial / Hospitals/ Group Housing Conversion & FAR charges on Industrial Plots to promote non- industrial/ non-polluting activities.
2. Permit sub-division / unit sale in order to promote Conversion to Commercial use/ Office Complex/ Service Industry etc. on Industrial Plots.
3. Continue 3.00 ECS/100 Sq. Mtr of built up area for Banquet Halls on parity as being allowed for hotels. The proposed ECS of 6.00 is on a very higher side.
4. Reduce minimum plot size to 2000 Sq. Mtr for group housing projects on Industrial Plots in order to promote non-industrial activities and to promote affordable housing for all.
5. Add Banquet Halls as a socio-cultural activity along with the 54 activities to the activities permitted in the Industrial Area list of MPD-2041. Banquet Halls are classified worldwide as a service and food processing industry. All industrial licenses are required to operate a Banquet Hall but no proper Industrial categorization is allotted to it. Banquet Halls are an essential socio-cultural activity required by the society and it directly/ indirectly employs lakhs of people.