Chandigarh, August 27, 2014: A technical team of Project Monitoring Group (PMG), Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India led by Dr Subhag Chand, Technical Director, visited Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion to have a firsthand information of the systems put in place by Punjab Government to improve the investment environment for the entrepreneur through ease of doing business strategies. The team was especially here to understand the concept of One Stop Clearance System (OSCS) being developed by Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion for the grant of all regulatory clearances under one roof through a web portal & held a meeting with Anirudh Tewari, CEO, PBIP & other officers of the department.

Anirudh Tewari, CEO, PBIP, said that the concept of OSCS has made a sea change in the policy of regulatory clearances and will facilitate the entrepreneurs on a 24 x 7 basis in the ease of their business premises. The requirement to visit multiple offices to set up their businesses is over and the composite clearance of different departments is provided under one roof.

Dr. Subhag Chand, Technical Director, appreciated the concept being followed by PBIP. He said that One Stop Clearance System being developed by PBIP is a unique concept and his team is here to see its adoptability at the GOI level through Department of Industrial Promotion & Policy (DIPP). The integration of OSCS with the e-Biz portal of GOI was also discussed. E-Biz portal is the flagship programme of DIPP to provide clearances from different departments through single portal being developed by Infosys. He also informed about the future measures being taken by through Department of Industrial Promotion & Policy and discussed measures about possible future integration of State Web Portal with GOI Portal. He suggested that PBIP may share its experiences in the National Level Conference/ Workshop, as Punjab has taken lead to make this unique model for investment promotion & clearances.

Earlier, the concept of PBIP was presented before PMG, Cabinet Secretariat on 7th August, 2014, wherein it was informed that clearances of Housing & Urban Department (CLU), Forest Department, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Factories Department, Boiler, Electric Connection of Power Department etc. will be made available to the entrepreneur through a Common Application Form under one roof subsequently through web portal.

Sarabjit Singh, NIC, Chandigarh, informed about technical features of the web portal and its possible pan India use in future linking all services at State & National level.

Others prominent in the meeting included D.K Tiwary Additional CEO, PBIP and Sector Officers of Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion.