**AEPC Organizes Video Conference - Stakeholder consultation on investment opportunities in Odisha**

AEPC in collaboration with Odisha Investment & Export Promotion Office (OIEPO) organized a stakeholder consultation through video conference on “Investment opportunities in Odisha” on 16th October, 2020. The video conference was attended by Apparel industries top leaders and senior officials from Odisha Government. The video conference started with welcome remarks by Shri Sanjeeb Mishra, IAS, OSD (Industries), Government of Odisha.

Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman-AEPC briefed about the expectations of Apparel industry for investing in Odisha and informed about the benefits offered by other States in India to Apparel industry. He also informed about the need for strengthening the processing sector, which is presently a weak link and such deficiencies should be taken into account for a dedicated park for Man Made Fabrics (MMF).

Shri Hemant Sharma, IAS, Principal Secretary (Industries), Govt. of Odisha highlighted the offerings and benefits of investing in Odisha. Shri Nitin B. Jawale, IAS, MD, IPICOL and Smt. Shubha Sarma, IAS, Secretary, H,T&H, Govt. of Odisha made detailed presentations on “overall industrial scenario in State” and “overall Textiles (Apparel) Sector Scenario and associated policies”. Shri Hemant Sharma, IAS, Principal Secretary answered the queries raised by the industry members.

The concluded remarks of the meeting was given by Shri Sanjeev Nandwani, SG, AEPC and vote of thanks was given by Smt. Rina Mohapatra, Jr. RC, OIEPO.

