

MINI CLUSTER FORMATION

- Mini Cluster (MC) - Mini-Cluster is a group of 6-10 MSMEs located within an identifiable and as far as practicable, contiguous area and manufacturing same/similar products.
- A mini cluster may be formed by new SPV or as a Sub group/ DPG of an Association or Existing SPV.
- The scheme may be availed by existing Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) by bringing in suitable changes in the mandate of the SPV. In case SPV is not available in the cluster, the scheme may be availed through another legal entity i.e. concerned association by grouping the MSMEs in the form of Distinct Product Groups (DPGs) or Sub Groups. DPG and SG will be small groups within the Association or existing SPVs. formed with the approval of Management of SPV or Association as the case may be.
- More than one DPG / SG may be formed within one association or cluster.
- A MC will consist of ideally 10 MSMEs (minimum 6 units). All the units of the MC would work with the assigned LMC to implement the specific LM techniques.
- In case the scheme is being availed by SPV (existing or new), a separate joint Bank Account will be opened in a National Bank for receiving the funds from NMIU. In case DPG / SG is formed for taking benefit of the scheme, the project specific account will be operated jointly by Head of the SPV or Association and the Nodal Officer of the DPG / SG.
- The units which have availed benefits in the pilot phase will not be allowed to take benefit in the up-scaled scheme.

Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV): SPV may be: **"Trust"** as per the Indian Trust Act. 1882 or any similar Trust Act or **"Private limited company"** incorporated as per Indian Companies Act. 1956 or **"Society"** under The Societies Registration Act. 1860 (including any of state equivalent)

SPV / DPG need to complete the following documentation formalities and send the same to NMIU-NPC. The formats can be downloaded from the links below:

- ✓ [Application](#)
- ✓ [MoU](#)
- ✓ [PoA](#)
- ✓ [Resolution in case of DPG formation](#)
- ✓ Registration certificate in case of SPV
- ✓ EM Certificates / Udyog Aadhar Certificate of member units