CATEGORISATION OF FACTORIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSPECTIONS

Sr. No.	Category	Name of Category	Details of Industry covered under the category	Periodicity of Inspection
1	<u>A</u>	i) Highly Hazardous: All Factories posing high risk to workers and general public i.e. having Off-Site Emergency Risk and On-Site and which would require outside help to combat a serious accident.	Fertilizers, L.P.G. (Bottling and Storage), Pesticides, Chemical and Pharmaceutical units	Twice a year
		ii) Moderately Hazardous: All Factories with medium hazard i.e. having On-Site risks only and wherein the accidents could be controlled by the resources of the plant itself or with the help of neighboring units	Solvent Extraction Plants, Hydrogenating Plants, Paper Mills using Chlorine, Distilleries, Breweries and Sugar Factories etc.	Twice a year
		iii) <u>Less Hazardous:</u> All Factories except (i) + (ii) with less hazards potential i.e. where accidents can be controlled by unit by own resources	Electroplating, Heat treatment plant, Rubber factories and factories covered under Section 85 of the Factories Act, 1948	Once a year
2	<u>B</u>	Factories involving mechanical and health hazards	Factories covered under Section 87 and rules framed under section 21(2) of the Factories Act, 1948 including Paper Mills, Textile Mills, Ice Plants/Cold Storages, Thermal Power Stations and Primary Metallurgical producing units i.e. Zinc, Cadmium, Lead, Mercury Nickle, Aluminium, Copper and Steel.	Once a year
3	<u>C</u>	Factories involving health hazards.	Tanneries, Paper Mills, not using chlorine, Board Mills and factories employing 20 or more workers excepting Brick Kiln, electronic goods, Printing Presses and Saw Mills	Once a year
4	<u>D</u>	Factories which are less prone to accidents	Not included in categories 'A', 'B' and 'C' and also the factories manufacturing Bricks in Klins, Printing Process and Saw Mills etc.	Once a year

Note:- 1) MAH units will be jointly inspected with Assistant Director of Factories (Chemical)

2) It will be ensured by the field officer that every factory is inspected once in two years.