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To
All Members of The Association

Dr. Ragapriya R., IAS,
Appointed as the New Commissioner of Labour

The Government of Karnataka, vide Notification No. e-DPAR 205 SAS 2026 dated 02.07.2026, has ordered the transfer and posting of certain IAS officers. As per the said notification, Dr. Ragapriya R., IAS, has been posted as the Commissioner of Labour, Government of Karnataka, in place of Dr. H. N. Gopal Krishna, IAS.

Dr. Ragapriya R., IAS, a 2011 batch officer, is an experienced officer having held several responsible positions in the Government.

KEA has addressed a letter welcoming Dr. Ragapriya R., IAS, on her appointment as the Commissioner of Labour, Government of Karnataka, vide its letter dated 02.07.2026. A copy of the letter is enclosed.

For KARNATAKA EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

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To,

Dr. Ragapriya R. IAS,
Commissioner of Labour
Government of Karnataka
Bengaluru

Dear Madam,

On behalf of the Karnataka Employers' Association (KEA), we extend our warm congratulations on your appointment as the **Commissioner of Labour, Government of Karnataka.**

Established in March 1962, the Karnataka Employers' Association is one of the oldest and largest employers' associations in the State, representing over 750 member establishments across diverse sectors. Our membership includes large, medium, and small enterprises in both the public and private sectors, covering manufacturing, real estate, construction, IT, ITES/BPO, biotechnology, commercial and service establishments, as well as educational institutions.

Over the past six decades, KEA has remained at the forefront of promoting harmonious industrial relations and fostering constructive engagement between employers, employees, and trade unions. The Association has also actively contributed to labour policy and administration through its representation on various Government advisory bodies, including those

relating to the Employees' Provident Fund (EPF), Employees' State Insurance (ESI), Contract Labour, Minimum Wages, and other labour welfare and employment matters.

We are confident that, under your leadership, the Department of Labour will continue to strengthen Karnataka's industrial relations framework while promoting a progressive, balanced, and growth-oriented labour ecosystem. We sincerely hope your stewardship will further initiatives that foster a healthy, productive, and inspiring work environment across industries in the State.

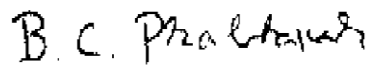
The Karnataka Employers' Association looks forward to your guidance and support in addressing matters concerning industry and labour. We are confident that your pragmatic approach will contribute significantly to the sustained growth and development of Karnataka's industrial sector.

We wholeheartedly welcome you and assure you and your team of our fullest cooperation in advancing the shared objective of industrial progress and harmonious employer-employee relations.

We would be pleased to have an opportunity to meet and interact with you at a time convenient to you.

With Best Regards,

For Karnataka Employers' Association



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