



WEEKLY TRADE UPDATE

Foreign Trade Update

A. Amendment in import policy condition of Urea [Exim Code 310210001 in the ITC (HS) 2017, Schedule — I.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Notification No. 40/2015-2020-DGFT dated November 03, 2021 has in addition to the Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited (RCF), allowed import of Urea through National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) and Indian Potash Limited (IPL) subject to Para 2.20 of Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020. The NFL and IPL are designated as STE for import of Urea on Government account. However, IPL is allowed to import Urea on Government account till March 31, 2022 only. Henceforth, the MMTC and STC are de-notified as STE for import of Urea.

Notification is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/41c5c6c6-e874-4310-80e0-86f79607185f/Noti%2040%20dated%2003-11-2021%20Eng.pdf>

B. Amendment in Appendix 2T (List of Export Promotion Councils/Commodity Boards/ Export Development Authorities) of Foreign Trade Policy 2015-2020.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Public Notice No. 33/2015-2020 dated November 02, 2021 has under Appendix 2T of FTP, 2015-2020, updated the address of the Council for Leather Exports (CLE) and the Exhibition Cell of Gem Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) has been de-notified, with immediate effect.

Public Notice is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/866b7474-ef7a-4cec-9abb-29908c58f7a6/PN%2032%20English.pdf>

C. Last date for filing claim at the Online IT module for Scrip based Schemes – MEIS/SEIS/ ROSL/ROSCTL.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Trade Notice No. 22/2021-2022 dated November 02, 2021 has drawn attention to Notification No. 26 dated September 16, 2021, wherein December 31, 2021 has been stipulated as the revised last date for making online applications under MEIS/SEIS/ RoSL/RoSCTL schemes. After December 31, 2021, the Online IT system will not be operational and no applications/claims under the mentioned schemes can thereafter be submitted. It has also been notified that the facility for filing applications, with a late cut provision, would also be not be available and all applications will get time barred after December 31, 2021.

Trade Notice is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/00e7c4e9-8e81-4d9d-b5c4-06498ef74d13/Trade%20Notice%202022%20dated%2002%20Nov%202021.pdf>

D. Enlistment of Agency(ies) and amendment in details under Appendix 2E of FTP, 2015-2020 – authorized to issue Certificate of Origin (Non-Preferential).

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Public Notice No. 35/2015-2020 dated November 11, 2021 has enlisted two new agencies namely Council for Leather Exports (CLE) and Udaipur Chamber of Commerce & Industry (UCCI) under Appendix 2E of FTP, 2015-2020 for issuing Certificate of Origin (Non-Preferential). Name of Marathwada Industries Association, already enlisted under Appendix 2E, has been amended as Chamber of Marathwada Industries and Agriculture (CMIA). Contact details of the agency have also been updated.

Public Notice is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/fe0fa7ed-e597-4dd3-8446-d4a6b6323c71/PN.35E.pdf>

E. Standard Operating Procedures for random checking of imported consignments of metal scrap with respect to radioactive contamination.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Public Notice No. 37/2015-2020 dated November 15, 2021 has notified the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for random checking of imported consignments of metal scrap with respect to radioactive contamination.

Public Notice is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/b9ad44af-6b13-4b65-8cc8-2075a6227d2c/PN%2037%20E.pdf>

F. Extension of Date for Mandatory electronic filing of Non-Preferential Certificate of Origin (CoO) through the Common Digital Platform to 31st Jan 2022.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Trade Notice No. 24/2021-2022 dated November 15, 2021 has, informed that the electronic platform for Certificate of Origin (CoO) (URL: <https://coo.dgft.gov.in>) has been expanded to facilitate electronic filing and issuance for Non-Preferential Certificates of Origin. In this reference, it is informed that the transition period for mandatory filing of applications for Non-Preferential Certificate of Origin through the e-CoO Platform has been extended till January 31, 2022. The existing systems for submitting and processing non-preferential CoO applications in manual/paper mode is being allowed for the stated time period and the online system is not being made mandatory.

Trade Notice is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/e8d6f85a-9fe0-47bb-a189-772e706a22b5/Trade%20Notice%2024%20-%20eCoO%20Extension%20till%20Jan2022.pdf>

G. De-Activation of IECs not updated at DGFT.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade vide Trade Notice No. 25/2021-2022 dated November 19, 2021 has stated that all IECs which have not been updated after January 01, 2014 shall be de-activated with effect from December 06, 2021. The concerned IEC holders are provided a final opportunity to update their IEC in this interim period till December 05, 2021, failing which the given IECs shall be de-activated. Any IEC where an online updation application has been submitted but is pending with the DGFT RA for approval shall be excluded from the de-activation list.

Trade Notice is available at:

<https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/cbc08c2d-adc8-4209-9f5a-877bad958872/Trade%20Notice%2025%20-%20De-Activation%20of%20IECs.pdf>

Trade Remedy Measures Update

The **Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance** has recently undertaken the following measures.

- **November 11, 2021-** Rescinding of Notification No. 34/2016 - Customs (ADD) dated July 14, 2016 duty vide Notification No. 65/2021-Customs (ADD) to remove levy of anti-dumping duty on Medium Density Fiberboard.

Notification Link:

<https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2021/cs-add2021/csadd65-2021.pdf>

- **November 11, 2021-** Imposition of anti-dumping duty vide Notification No. 66/2021-Customs (ADD) on "Imports of Untreated Fumed Silica originated in or exported from China PR for a period of 5 years from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette.

Notification Link:

<https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2021/cs-add2021/csadd66-2021.pdf>

- **November 12, 2021-** Imposition of anti-dumping duty vide Notification No. 67/2021-Customs (ADD) on "measuring tapes" originating in or exported from Singapore and

Cambodia for a period of 5 years from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette.

Notification Link:

<https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2021/cs-add2021/csadd67-2021.pdf>

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