

## THE COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

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To: Members of the Council

Sub: Notification No. 34/2015-Central Excise dated July 17, 2015

## Dear Sir.

The Ministry of Finance has issued Notification No. 34/2015 – Central Excise dated July 17, 2015, which has included the following para in Notification No. 30/2004-Central Excise:

"Provided that the said excisable goods are manufactured from inputs on which appropriate duty of excise leviable under the First Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act or additional duty of customs under section 3 of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 (51 of 1975) has been paid and no credit of such excise duty or additional duty of customs on inputs has been taken by the manufacturer of such goods (and not the buyer of such goods) under the provisions of the Cenvat Credit Rules, 2004.

A copy of the above Notification is **enclosed herewith**.

A section of the textile industry has interpreted the above Notification to mean that Notification No. 30/2004 has become null & void and optional duty on cotton textiles has been removed.

In view of the prevailing ambiguity, we have taken up this matter with the Ministry of Finance and shall keep you informed of the developments in this regard in due course. This is for your information.

Thanking You,

A. Ravi Kumar

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