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To: Members of the Council

Sub: Constitution of GST Working Groups to address concerns of the <u>Trade and Industry</u>

Dear Member,

As you are aware, the Union Finance Minister has introduced the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Bills in Parliament, paving the way for the introduction of GST in India from 1 July 2017.

In an effort to ensure the smooth implementation of GST, the Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) vide office order F. No 349/36/2017-GST dated 24 March 2017 has constituted 'GST Working Groups' to interact with select industry sectors to address their concerns relating to GST implementation issues. The Government has also designated officers who will address issues relating to the following identified sectors and submit their report by 10 April 2017. The GST Working Groups would also focus on procedural simplification and a possible rate structure and would submit their reports by 10 April 2017. A copy of the CBEC office order is enclosed herewith. (click here)

The Council is already holding a meeting on 3rd April, 2017 at 3.00 p.m. at its registered office in Mumbai to discuss the various issues on the GST related to exports and the textile sector at large.

During the meeting, a presentation on "GST & Textiles" will be made by experts from ATKearney, a consulting firm which has got vast experience on GST related matters. In addition, experts from leading textiles companies like Arvind Mills Ltd, Aditya Birla Group and Vardhaman Group will be highlighting the issues and concerns of the textile industry under the GST regime.

You are requested to please attend the above meeting and also to send us your suggestions separately for **Exports and the Textiles sector** immediately on the email IDs ravikumar@texprocil.org / vimal@texprocil.org which can be discussed in the meeting and also be incorporated in the Council's proposals to the Government on GST.

We solicit you support & co-operation in the matter and look forward to receive your suggestions at the earliest. Also please send us your confirmation regarding participation in the above meeting.

Regards,

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