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EPC Officials who attended the mtg. through Video Conferencing

The SRTEPC and MMF textile fraternity welcomed Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Textiles, Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution during the Meeting with the EPCson 9.10.2021 which was organized to review the exports made during April – September 2021 and to be made during upcoming six months of this financial year.

The SRTEPC Chairman, Shri Dhiraj Shah has given stock of the current export scenario by informing to the Hon'ble Minister that exports of Manmade fibre textiles have been encouraging this year.

There has been turnaround both in production and exports in view of aggressive vaccination drives taken by countries around the world. He also informed that during April-September exports of MMF textiles have already achieved around 50% of USD 6139 million and the industry is confident of surpassing the target. He also updated that in order to enhance this growth momentum in exports, SRTEPC is organising participation of its member exporters in some of the most popular international exhibitions.

To help the MMF textile segment to overcome the challenging time and sustain growth both in production and exports, Chairman Shri Dhiraj Shah appealed for some fast-track policy-initiatives / measures such as the RoDTEP rates on MMF textile value chain should be rectified suitably with at least 6% rate, to timely refund the IGST and DBK denied to the exporters, to rectify the current Inverted Duty Structure, to have a regulatory mechanism on the logistics and freight issue and conclusion of FTAs with EU, UK and USA to help Indian textile products including MMF textiles to become price competitive in these major MMF textile markets. The points raised by SRTEPC were appreciated by the Hon'ble Minister and informed to consider appropriately.

## INTERACTIVE MEETING WITH HON'BLE MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY ON EXPORT FINANCING ISSUES AND PROBLEMS FACED BY EXPORTERS

An Interactive Meeting was organized by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India at Hotel Four Seasons, Worli, Mumbai on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021. The topic for discussion was on "Export Financing Issues and Problems Faced by Exporters." The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Minister of Commerce and Industry, Textiles, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.

SRTEPC Immediate Past Chairman, Shri Ronak Rughani, Former Chairman, Shri Sanjeev Saran, along with Shri S.Balaraju, Executive Director and Shri Kripabar Baruah, Jt. Director of SRTEPC attended the meeting. Various issues related to Project Exports were also discussed which was later followed by an Interactive Session with the exporters.

IPC took up some issues with the Minister which was positively considered and concerned departments including the IBA (Indian Bank Association) were asked to address the issues.



#### SRTEPC OFFICIALS MET SECRETARIES OF MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY





Shri Dhiraj Shah, Chairman, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice-Chairman & Shri S. Balaraju, Executive Director welcomed Secretary Textiles
Upendra Prasad Singh with a bouquet of flowers and discussed various issues faced by MMF textile industry

SRTEPC Chairman Shri Dhiraj Shah, Vice Chairman, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia& Executive Director, Shri S.Balaraju met Secretary Textiles, Shri Upendra Prasad Singh on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2021for discussion on PLI, RoDTEP, New alternative scheme for ATUFS and other issues being faced by MMF textile industry.

SRTEPC Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Executive Director presented to Secretary Textiles the latest status on exports of MMF textiles and mentioned that exports of Manmade yarn, fabrics and made-ups have witnessed double digit growth during April-September 2021.

Then they placed before the Secretary some of the challenges being faced by the MMF textiles sector which are hampering the exports of MMF textiles and urged Secretary Textiles to take action for promotion of MMF textile exports.

- (i) Accord suitable RoDTEP rates on MMF textile value chain
- (ii) Timely refund the IGST and DBK benefits
- (iii) Release the MEIS rewards to the exporters
- (iv) Rectify the Inverted Duty Structure existing in the MMF textile Segment
- (v) Extend the Interest Equalisation Scheme till announcement of the new FTP
- (vi) Facilitate affordable logistics and bring down the Skyrocketing freight charges
- (vii) Conclude the potential FTAs with EU and the UK

The SRTEPC Officials thanked Secretary Textiles for introducing the PLI Scheme and revision of the list of items eligible for the scheme, covering major product lines of MMF fabrics and Technical Textiles having huge potential to export globally. They said that this Scheme is likely to attract more domestic as well as Foreign Direct investments and create global champions in MMF apparel, MMF fabrics and Technical Textiles which will be a great achievement for the MMF textiles segment and will help in further development of the MMF textiles segment in the country and boost exports.

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director appealed to the Secretary Textiles to look into the matter and find solutions so that it would help in enhancing the competitiveness of our exports. The Secretary Textiles assured them that he would take up the matter suitably.





◆ Shri Dhiraj Shah, Chairman, SRTEPC, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman, SRTEPC, Shri S. Balaraju, Executive Director, SRTEPC welcomed Commerce Secretary, Shri B.V.R.Subrahmanyam with a bouquet of flowers

SRTEPC delegation comprising of Shri Dhiraj R. Shah, Chairman, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice-Chairman and Shri S. Balaraju, Executive Director called on Commerce Secretary Shri B.V.R Subrahmanyam on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 at the Ministry office in New Delhi.

SRTEPC Chairman Shri Dhiraj R. Shah gave stock of the latest export scenario to the Commerce Secretary and informed that by September around 50% of export target fixed for the MMF textiles exports have been achieved. He also assured the Secretary that since in the two quarters towards the end of the year exports are much higher than the earlier quarters, the Council is confident of surpassing the export target.

They also mentioned to the Commerce Secretary that SRTEPC has been in consultation with the industry stakeholders and have been receiving their feedback from time to time and presented some of the challenges being faced by the MMF textiles sector

During the discussion with Shri B.V.R Subrahmanyam, Commerce Secretary, SRTEPC Chairman Shri Dhiraj R. Shah and Vice-Chairman, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, thanked him for release of all pending benefits under MEIS, RoDTEP. It also requested for increasing the rates of RoDTEP for the entire Man-made Fibre textiles value chain. Further they have also requested to consider giving transport subsidy to the textiles sector on the lines of Agricultural products to address the present crisis of high container freight charges. Other issues discussed are extension of Interest Equalisation Fund Scheme till the new Foreign Trade Policy is announced.

### **MEETINGS**

### SRTEPC Vice Chairman Participated In 13th Edition Texcon'21 organised by CII



Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman, SRTEPC attended the 13<sup>th</sup>Edition Texcon'21 (International Conference on Textiles and Apparel Industry) organized by CII on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2021which was held on virtual platform. The Topic was on Strengthening India's Textile Hubs

VC mentioned that the textile industry has been the backbone in manufacturing sector providing highest direct and indirect employment to around 100 million people in India and also one of the largest contributors to the country's merchandise exports with around 12% share. He said that the Current market size of the textile industry is estimated at around USD 150 billion, with nearly 75% of its accounting for domestic

consumption (US\$ 113 billion) and around 25% is of exports (US\$ 37 billion) and Covid-19 pandemic has severely impacted the entire manufacturing segment including the textiles sector.

Schemes like setting up of Integrated Textile Parks (SITP) and Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), etc. are to increase efficiency, competitiveness and to establish India as a leading textile manufacturing country globally and the recent Scheme such as PLI is to create global champions in the MMF textiles sector. The PM Mitra Scheme is also to position India strongly on the global textiles map.

Some of the issues being faced by the textile hubs is that there is a need to improve the competitiveness of Indian textile industry and boost demand. Development of MMF based textiles is strategic for the growth of Indian textile value chain both for exports and domestic market. Government needs to focus on development of new export infrastructure and improvement of the existing ones. Though there are some SPVs for putting in place export related infrastructure, most of these are not functional due to lack of fund, availability of quality utilities and essential inputs such as power, water, etc. India needs to focus on creating high technology processing sector to boost up value realization, a special package for growth and encouragement of the recycled/sustainable textiles in the country and suggested to include investments in r PET projects eligible for ATUFS. This will help to boost exports of fabrics and apparels made from sustainable fibres and create an opportunity for differentiation for Indian MMF industry.





Shri Bhadresh Dodhia Vice-Chairman inaugurates B.K.Mehta Modern Virtual Library at ITAMMA, Mumbai and is the Chief Guest

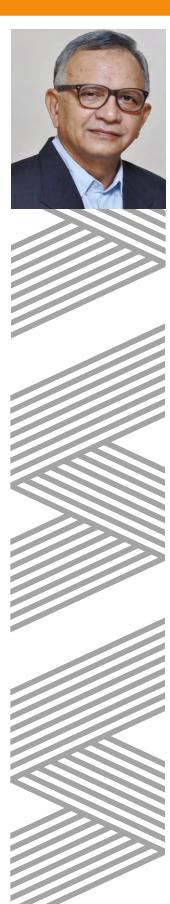
Shri Bhadresh Dodha, Vice Chairman of SRTEPC is the Chief Guest and inaugurates B.K.Mehta Modern Virtual Library at ITAMMA, Mumbai on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2021. Shri Dodhia also gives awards of excellence in Textile Accessories and Machinery Manufacturing.

While delivering the speech at the Award Function, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, VC, SRTEPC mentioned that ITAMMA is the Oldest (established in 1943) and largest (about 400+ members) Association of Textile Engineering Industry. He said that Textile Machineries and accessories are part and parcel of the textile industry. Textile manufacturing itself is a global industry that has been a part of human civilization. He also said that different types of raw-materials, textiles are manufactured by polymerising, matting, condensing, pressing fibres together or spun fibres made into yarn and subsequently netted, looped, knit, or woven to make fabrics. The very quality, applicability, etc. of textiles also depend a lot on technology and machinery. Besides, the Technological Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), the recently launched Government initiatives namely the Production Link Incentive (PLI) Scheme and PM Mitra Scheme are going to create further demand pressure on the textile machinery sector. The domestic textile machinery manufacturers including the members of ITAMMA need to grab the emerging opportunities. He congratulated all the ITAMMA Award winners who have made excellent contribution to textile machinery manufacturing during 2019-20



SRTEPC Chairman, Vice Chairman & Executive Director attended 24th TAMC-ATUFS meeting chaired by Textile Commissioner

SRTEPC Chairman, Shri Dhiraj Shah, Vice Chairman, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia and Executive Director, Shri S.Balaraju attended the 24<sup>th</sup> TAMC meeting held on 20.10.2021. Smt. Roop Raasi, Textile Commissioner chaired the meeting. The Textile Commissioner while welcoming the members, briefed about the progress of ATUFS. Points related to different cases under ATUFS were discussed during the meeting.



Dear Members,

I am glad to inform you that SRTEPC delegation comprising of Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice-Chairman, Shri S. Balaraju, Executive Director and I called on Commerce Secretary Shri B.V.R Subrahmanyam on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 at the Ministry office in New Delhi. We apprised the Commerce Secretary of the latest export scenario and informed that by September around 50% of export target fixed for the MMF textiles exports have been achieved. I also assured the Secretary that since in the two quarters towards the end of the year exports are much higher than the earlier quarters, the Council is confident of surpassing the export target. We discussed various issues like increasing the rates of RoDTEP for the entire Man-made Fibre textiles value chain, extension of Interest Equalisation Fund Scheme till the new Foreign Trade Policy is announced, etc.

We also met the Textiles Secretary, Shri Upendra Prasad Singh on 12<sup>th</sup> October and discussed about the PLI, RoDTEP, New alternative scheme for ATUFS and other issues faced by MMF textile industry. We also placed before the Secretary some of the challenges being faced by the MMF textiles sector which are hampering the exports of MMF textiles and urged Secretary Textiles to take action for promotion of MMF textile exports.

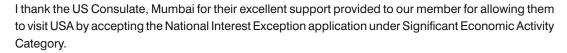
I am glad to inform that the Council had successfully organized participation of 13 member exporters in the Alltex Expo, Kiev, Ukraine, held from October 6-9, 2021. Initial reports from the representatives of the participating companies suggest that some of them have been successful in negotiating business orders with the buyers and have expressed their satisfaction regarding the Fair. It may be noted that this is the first physical Exhibition held since the pandemic year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Shri Ambarish Vemuri, SS(Pol) &HOC, Embassy of India in Kyiv, Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India for their support in helping us organize the participation of our member-exporters.

I may inform that despite various constraints in global trade, structural and fiscal issues in the domestic sector due to the pandemic, exports of Indian MMF textiles are growing in double digit level. As per the latest data, exports were around US\$3000 million during April-September 2021 which is around 49% of the export target of US\$6139 million given to us. Exports are generally more for the last quarter of the year. We are optimistic that the global scenario will further improve in view of aggressive drive taken by countries over the world and our exports will reach to new heights and we will exceed the export target.

The numerous requests made by the Council for the extension of Export Obligation Period of Advance and EPCG Authorisations has finally been granted by the DGFT on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021. DGFT has provided an additional option to exporters to avail extension in export obligation period till December 31 this year in case of specified advance authorisations and authorisations under the Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) scheme without any composition fees. This benefit is, however, subjected to a 5% additional export obligation on balance exports to be fulfilled. I am really grateful to the DGFT in this regard.

As announced in the Union Budget 2021-22, the Government has approved the setting up of 7 PM MITRA parks on 6th October, 2021. I congratulate the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Hon'ble Finance Minister, Hon'ble Textiles & Commerce & Industry Minister for their initiative in setting up PM Mitra Parks. I am sure that this combined network will help in further growth of textile segment in the economy in general and the MMF textile sector in particular, which is unique globally and another turning point in the development in the Textile Industry.

Friends, we at the Council are well aware of the various issues troubling the exporters owing to pending Drawback claims, IGST refunds from JNCH and a long pending matter of issuance of EPCG Licence from O/o Addl. DGFT (Mumbai) which have been resolved. I appreciate the continuous support extended by JNCH and O/o Addl. DGFT (Mumbai) to resolve issues of our members.



I would like to mention that the existing FTP 2015-20, which was valid up to March 31, 2021 was later extended up to September 30, 2021, due to COVID-19. However, DGFT has now further extended the validity period of the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20 along with the HandBook of Procedures till March 31, 2022. The Council requests all our members to kindly take a note of the same.

Members are requested to flag their issues to us at  $\underline{ed@srtepc.in}$  and  $\underline{srtepc@srtepc.in}$  for representing your concerns to the Govt.

I also request all Members to renew their Membership with the Council to avail all its benefits, if at all it is not renewed.

I would also like to wish all our member-exporters a VERY HAPPY DEEPAWALI AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. I am sure that the Festival of Lights will bring in good times for the export sector in general and the MMF textile industry in particular.

Yours sincerely,

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As the GOI celebrated #AzadiKaAmrutMohatsav to commemorate the 75th anniversary of India's Independence, #SRTEPC also jointly organised the 'exporters conclave' to promote various products & services and the government schemes to boost exports from Surat & South Gujarat region

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#Exports SeVikas

Cabinet under PM Narendra Modi ji @narendramodi approves capital infusion of ₹4,400 Cr to Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India & ₹1,650 Cr into National Export Insurance Account. Fund to be released over 5 yrs will strengthen Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

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Govt. led by PM @NarendraModi ji building India with #Exports SeVikas

Several key initiatives launched in the last few years to:

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SRTEPC CHAIRMAN @Dhirubhaishah21, AT THE 67TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. pic.twitter.com/trodvuCuR8

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India and Australia agreed to sign a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) by the end of 2022. @srtepc & @Dhirubhaishah21 requests request @PMOIndia @CIMGOI to finalise FTA with Australia to boost bilateral ties with the trade block.

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The grand #IndiaPavilion opens at the Expo 2020 in Dubai today. India showcases its economic potential, innovative edge, scientific strides & cultural might for the next 6 months at this state-of-the-art structure.

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Prices of textiles & garments made in China are likely to rise by 30-40%. @srtepc & @Dhirubhaishah21 request @PiyushGoyal & members of council to utilise this opportunity to make India, simplest & easiest place to do business & relocate #GlobalSupplyChain fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-n...

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SRTEPC @srtepc - Oct 7

#SRTEPC Vice-Chairman @bhadreshmd is presenting in Seminar on promoting Indian products in front of buyers of textiles at ALLTEX, Kyiv, Ukraine @IndiainUkraine

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SRTEPC @srtepc · Oct 8

On behalf of the entire #SRTEPC team, we thank Hon'ble PM @narendramodi Ji for approving #PMMITRA parks scheme with an outlay of ₹.4,445 for 5 years. This unique scheme will enhance the scale of operation and make India a giant in global textile arena. pic.twitter.com/CepQib9sMN

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India exports have significant potential with Japan #ComprehensiveEconomicPartnershipAgreement & has been running a persistent trade deficit with Japan, which has more than doubled during the decade, to almost US\$ 8 billion in 2019. MMF textiles getting duty free access in Japan.

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#### **SRI LANKA**

## Sri Lanka encourages South Indian weavers to invest in Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka Deputy High Commission in Chennai in collaboration with TamilnaduPowerlooms Federation organized a trade and investment delegation at the Mission premises on 06 October 2021. The objective of the meeting was to make the fabric manufacturers aware of the trade and investment opportunities available in Sri Lanka and business conducive environment for the apparel sector players.

Making his remarks the Deputy High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to Chennai D. Venkateshwaran stressed that India is Sri Lanka's closest neighbor and 2nd largest trading partner; tremendous trade and investment opportunities are available in Sri Lanka which are mutually beneficial to both countries. Further, he added, that the international traders in both countries can indulge the benefits of enhanced trade as a result of lower transportation cost and low shipping duration due to exclusive proximity of Sri Lanka to India, duty concessions being given under the Indo Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement (ISFTA) & preferential trade Pacts (SAFTA & APTA) and substantial sops and concessions being furnished by the Board of Investment, Sri Lanka (BOI).

President of the Tamilnadu Powerloom Federation Mathivanan emphasized the importance of doing business in Sri Lanka due to the ultimate facilities being provided and its high quality production processes. Adding more to his remarks he expressed their interest to explore more opportunities in Sri Lanka for South Indian apparel manufacturers and establishing a textile & management institution in Sri Lanka which would provide technical know-how and expertise knowledge about contemporary textile industry. During the open interaction session, the Sri Lankan envoy was raised queries regarding the forming of joint ventures, business collaborations and other facilities given to the international investors. While successfully addressing these questions, the Deputy High Commissioner invited the delegation to pay an official visit to Sri Lanka to explore the investment opportunities in Eravur fabric processing park and experience the humongous facilities given to apparel manufacturers.

Concluding the meeting Deputy High Commissioner D. Venkateshwaran, commended the keen interest shown by the delegates to doing business in Sri Lanka and given the impulse to submit individual proposals upon their area of interests. Further, he proposed forming the Tamilnadu-Sri Lanka Powerloom Federation soon which would bolster the fabric industry in both countries

Source: Colombo Page

#### **BANGLADESH**

#### TECHNICAL TEXTILES A PROMISING SECTOR

Bangladesh has a significant opportunity to expand its hold on the global technical textile and personal protective equipment (PPE)

markets once local manufacturers find reliable raw material sources and upgrade their operations, according to a study published yesterday. The international technical textile market is projected to grow from \$179.2 billion in 2020 to \$224.4 billion by 2025 with an annual average growth rate of about 4.2 per cent, it said. The study, styled "Feasibility Study on Upscaling the Production of TT/PPE in Bangladesh", was carried out by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) with help from the Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA). Similarly, the global PPE market is projected to pass \$93 billion by the end of 2025. The EU currently leads the charts for medical textile imports while the demand from North American countries is growing in a trend which is expected to continue. And although the Covid-19 pandemic has jump started the interest in medical textile products, the world of technical textiles and their end-use products is endless.

Bangladesh also benefits from the EU's Everything but Arms scheme which allows for duty-free imports from least developed countries. This feasibility report is intended to broaden awareness on what is required to develop the sub-sector in technical textiles and PPE in Bangladesh, the study said. The potential of technical textiles and its PPE sub-sector will inevitably hinge on Bangladesh's well-established reputation as a leading supplier of apparel made from traditional textiles. Most apparel manufacturers in Bangladesh tend to be medium-sized companies. Even large apparel groups are not known by international procurement agencies for technical textile products. The sourcing supply channel for medical PPE is far more complex than that of apparel. Comprehensive details regarding performance, testing and certification requirements for the EU and the US are provided in the report. Since the Bangladesh technical textile and PPE supply chain is still in its earliest stage, the study was unable to evaluate unit selling costs, manufacturing losses, order lead time, or the impact of current environmental and social standard practices. Most manufacturers are aware that compared to the fashion industry, with its strong tieups with wellknown international buyers, access to the technical textile marketplace will be difficult due to the complexity of material sourcing and testing, certification standards. The overall finding reveal a local industry aware of the global market realities but is reluctant to react to the challenges presented by those realities. The German development agency GIZ along with the BGMEA shared these findings during a virtual programme. "We are proud to share the results, particularly critical gaps, key actions and an overall strategy to support Bangladesh in entering this new market and, most importantly, in succeeding there in a sustainable and compliant way," Werner Lange, textile cluster coordinator of GIZ Bangladesh, said in his welcome remarks. Achim Tröster, Germany's ambassador to Bangladesh; Angelika Fleddermann, country director of GIZ Bangladesh; Faruque Hassan, president of the BGMEA; and Shahidullah Azim and Miran Ali, BGMEA vice presidents, also spoke at the event.

Source: The Daily Star



#### **JAPAN**

#### Japan's Fast Retailing Signs Microfibre 2030 Commitment

Japan's Fast Retailing has signed the Microfibre 2030 Commitment, an initiative to minimise the impact of microfibres on the natural environment. The Microfibre 2030 Commitment was established by The Microfibre Consortium (TMC), a non-profit, international cross-industry group working to address the problem of fibre fragmentation from clothing textiles. The commitment aims to eliminate the environmental impact from microfibres, with 250 companies joining as signatories by 2030. These companies will conduct tests on their products and manufacturing processes, and contribute data to build an industry-wide database and assessment system. The objective is to have 80 per cent of member companies adopt research-based microfibre standards in their products and manufacturing processes, so that the release of microfibres into the environment is appropriately managed, Fast Retailing said in a press release. Fast Retailing will conduct prescribed fabric testing annually through 2023 and provide the data to TMC. This will be combined with data from member companies in a database, and used to develop tools and resources for the entire industry to achieve the commitment. Fast Retailing will utilise this data and knowledge to implement measures to limit microfibres from its products and manufacturing processes and, by expanding best practices to the industry as a whole, contribute to achieving the commitment. Fast Retailing considers the environmental impact of microfibres to be a priority issue. Going forward, the company will continue to work with the industry and enhance measures to minimise the release of microfibres into the environment throughout the product lifecycle. Fast Retailing first joined TMC as an associate member in September 2019. The Microfibre Consortium (TMC) is a crossindustry, membership non-profit organisation that facilitates the development of practical solutions for the textile industry to minimise fibre fragmentation and release of fibres to the environment from textile manufacturing and product life cycle. TMC supports the use of production processes backed by academic research, providing manufacturing plants, retailers, and suppliers with concrete solutions that protect ecosystems.

Source: Fibre2 Fashion

#### **PAKISTAN**

#### **Textile Sector Seeks Duty-Free Yarn Import**

Exporters reluctant to finalise export orders due to cotton yarn shortage Value-added garment and home textile exporters have urged the government to abolish customs and regulatory duties on the import of cotton yarn as they are facing shortage of this vital input. "The government must allow import of cotton yarn from across the world as it is a major raw material of value-added textile export industry," Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers and Exporters Association Central Chairman Shahzad Azam Khan said, adding that the available cotton yarn was of substandard quality. Exporters were reluctant to finalise export orders due to the prevailing cotton yarn crisis, he said. "In this scenario, such export orders will be diverted to other regional countries." Despite a huge

demand for cotton yarn in the local value-added industry, yarn manufacturers and spinners were seen exporting the raw material to regional countries. "Yarn manufacturers are depriving the value-added textile sector of the main input and in the meantime passing the subsidy benefit, given by the government, on to regional competitors," he alleged. In comments to The Express Tribune, Topline Securities analyst Saad Ziker termed these claims a true picture of the current situation in the industry. "There is a massive need for cotton in the industry," he said, adding that the value-added textile sector wanted to fulfill maximum export orders but they could not due to cotton shortage. He underlined that their demand for cotton import from around the world was drawing a lot of criticism in the market, as textile was the largest contributor to overall exports from the country. Other regional countries such as India and Bangladesh were also recovering from the Covid-19 pandemic and trying to capture their lost share in orders. "The government needs to pay attention to their demands and address their queries as soon as possible, which will ultimately help Pakistan in the long run," he added. AHL analyst Arsalan Hanif was of the view that textile manufacturers' demand to eliminate customs and regulatory duties and allow import of cotton yarn would not only resolve supply-side issues but would also reduce cotton prices in the local market. However, this could have negative repercussions, as farmers would feel insecure and demotivated if they did not receive the expected price, he added. While exporters were demanding duty-free cotton yarn imports, some sources said it was unnecessary and would burden the country. "There is no shortage of cotton yarn in the country," said an industry source requesting anonymity. "If you compare cotton yarn production with its exports, you will realise that only 11% of the cotton yarn produced has been exported," he said, adding that the issue was with the rising cotton cost around the globe. "How exports of value-added textile products increased, if there was a shortage of cotton yarn," he asked.

Source: Tribune

#### **PERU**

#### Peru's textile exports grew 68.9% YoY in August 2021

Peru's export volume of non-traditional products grew by 16.4 per cent when compared to the same month of the previous year, influenced by the growth of various sectors including textiles. Textiles sector recorded a surge of 68.9 per cent year-on-year, said the National Institute of Statistics and Informatics (INEI) in its latest report.

The growth of the textile sector was influenced by higher shipments of cotton polo shirts (110 per cent), knitted cotton shirts (16.1 per cent), polo shirts and knitted T-shirts made of other textile materials (98.5 per cent). Exports of knitted cotton (134.2 per cent), knitted cotton nightgowns and pajamas (22.1 per cent), cotton sweaters (114.4 per cent) and fine combed or combed alpaca or llama hair (103.7 per cent) also grew in the month of August, the INEI said in a press release.

Source: Fibre2Fashion



## Need to re-negotiate FTA with ASEAN to stop misuse by third parties: Piyush Goyal

Commerce and industry minister Piyush Goyal on Friday called for a renegotiation of the India-ASEAN free trade agreement (FTA) to prevent its misuse by third parties and pushed for a removal of trade and non-tariff barriers that have hurt Indian exports. Addressing an event organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry, he said: "It is unfortunate that in the recent past, India had to deal with several restrictive barriers on our exports in the ASEAN region particularly in the agri and the auto sector". The minister said these only result in reciprocal action from other countries including from India and will hurt the long-term desire of our leaders to expand trade between the countries. "Therefore, I think there is a need for re-negotiating the existing trade relationship, trade barriers, relooking at our FTA with ASEAN and focusing on new rules to eliminate the misuse of the FTA, eliminating non-tariff barriers, and that can ultimately lead to building confidence on both the sides to reduce tariffs for inter-Asean and India trade," he said.

As per Goyal, such a review will enable alignment with contemporary trade practices, procedures and regulatory harmonisation, curbing the misuse of FTAs, often by third parties outside the ASEAN region. Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Brunei and Laos comprise the ASEAN. The ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement was signed in 2009 and came into force in 2010.

Source: The Economic Times

## Indian Exporters To Explore Wider Opportunities For Business With Mauritius

'Newer possibilities emerging due to free trade pacts' Indian businesses will get a chance to explore wider prospects of trade and investment opportunities in Mauritius, in the post Covid-19 scenario, during a virtual interaction to be held this week with the Indo-Mauritius Chamber of Commerce and officials from the Consulate of Mauritius in India. "India and Mauritius have recently entered into a limited free trade agreement covering 310 export items for India, including food and farm products, textile articles, plastics, chemicals and electronic product. There is a huge possibility for Indian businesses and exporters to increase their exports to Mauritius as well as rest of Africa using Mauritius as a gateway. The conference will focus on the wide canvass of opportunities, especially in post-pandemic times," an official tracking the matter told BusinessLin.

Source: The Hindu Businessline

## Textile sector: Govt mulls major overhaul of ATUFS to spur investment

The government is planning a major revamp of its flagship incentive scheme for capital investments in the textile and garment sector to improve its performance and align its objectives with other recently-launched programmes, including the production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme and mega parks, official sources told FE.

While notifying the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) in January 2016, the government had set aside an outlay of Rs 17,822 crore (Rs 12,671 crore for clearing pending claims under the scheme's earlier avatars and Rs 5,151 crore for implementing the ATUFS) until FY22. The scheme is supposed to mobilise fresh investments of about Rs 95,000 crore in the textile and apparel sector by FY22 and create 3.5 million new jobs. However, until FY21, it could incentivise projects worth only Rs 46,861 crore, while the subsidy disbursement stood at Rs 3,378 crore. "So, instead of merely extending the ATUFS with the same structure, the government has decided to revamp it," said a source. The new scheme that is being worked out will focus on expeditious subsidy disbursement for large investments and better incentivise segments that have high employment potential, said one of the sources. The thrust on technical textiles and manmade fibre products could be raised, in sync with the recentlylaunched Rs 10,683-crore PLI scheme for these segments, he added.

Similarly, while subsidy up to Rs 5 crore is currently cleared within a short period (a week, in most cases), dole-out above this amount for big-ticket investments typically takes much longer. This process is expected to be expedited. Industry sources said the ATUFS is set to miss the investment target by a wide margin, as cash-strapped, highly-leveraged companies in the labour-intensive sector had cut down on both technology upgrade and capacity expansion, even before the pandemic struck. However, given the current economic resurgence in key export markets like the US and the EU, large investments could flow in if the government plans meaningful interventions, they added.

The new scheme will likely be designed to help the fragmented textile and garment industry acquire scale and boost exports, and complement the PLI and the mega textile park schemes. It would also facilitate the upgrade of existing looms to better-technology ones, ensure quality in processing and curb fabrics imports by garment firms.

The TUFS, the earliest version of the ATUFS, was introduced in 1999 to make available funds to the textile industry for upgrading technology at existing units as well as for setting up new ones with state-of-the-art facilities. The idea was to improve their viability and competitiveness in both the domestic and export markets. Under the extant scheme (ATUFS), garments and technical textiles firms are provided a 15% subsidy on capital investments. subject to a ceiling of Rs 30 crore for each investor. Remaining segments, such as weaving, processing, jute, silk and handlooms, get 10%, with a cap of Rs 20 crore. Before the ATUFS was introduced, the various versions of the TUFS had attracted investments of more than Rs 2.71 lakh crore in about 16 years through FY15, according to an earlier official estimate. Subsidies of Rs 21,347 crore were disbursed under the scheme during this period and a lot of pending claims were settled later. The capitalintensive spinning industry has been the largest beneficiary of the TUFS, as most of the investments have taken place in this segment. Of course, with the change in the incentive structure under the ATUFS, spinning mills haven't guite reaped the benefits in recent years. Large-scale capacity addition in spinning in earlier years also discouraged them from undertaking fresh expansion.

Source: The Financial Express



## PLI Scheme - How do production-linked incentive schemes work

The PLI is an old and popular tool with governments to spur production of goods that the country sees as necessary for social good, taxes, or employment-generation reasons. PLIs are essentially the incentives to companies to boost product. They could be in the form of tax rebates, import and export duty concessions, or maybe easier land-acquisition terms. Generally, the benefits of a PLI schemeare passed on to the final consumers of the goods in terms of lower prices.

Recently, the Indian government identified 13 priority sectors where PLI schemes will be launched with a total outlay of Rs 2 trillion. Sectors for which incentives have already been approved are electronic or technology products, pharmaceuticals drugs, telecom & networking products, food Products, high-efficiency solar modules, automobile and auto components, specialty steel, textile manufacturing, advanced chemistry cell battery, textiles, and specialty steel.

Source: The Business Standard

## Inverted duty correction: Synthetic textile prices will surge, says Gujarat body

With a unified goods and service tax (GST) rate on textile products set to kick in from January 1, 2022, Gujarat-based textile industry fears that synthetic textile prices would surge by nearly three times. The GST Council, at its Lucknow meeting on September 17, has decided to impose 12% GST on all textile products except cotton to correct inverted duty structure in the sector. The new rates will be effective from January 1, 2022. Currently, man-made fibre-based textile value chain is witnessing 5-18% GST rate at different levels. GST rate is 18% on mono-ethylene glycol (MEG) and purified terephthalic acid (PTA), 12% on polyester partially-oriented yarn (POY) and 5% on grey fabric, finished fabric and garments. This has led to a tax structure where the rate on inputs is higher than that on the outputs, leading to inverted duty structure.

Experts have pointed out that correction of inverted duty will lead to seamless input tax credits, making the impact benign on the entire value chain. Biggest impact of the proposed change in tax structure would be on man-made fibre-based textile value chain, mainly developed in Surat and South Gujarat region, claimed Ashish Gujarati, president of South Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SGCCI). "We want the GST council to rethink its decision. The new slab suggested by the council would directly affect the prices of yarns as well as the weaving process. Besides, prices of other petroleum-based raw materials. Overall cascading impact would finally be on the end users," Gujarati said. Recently SGCCI delegation met Gujarat's Chief Commissioner of GST who is also member of GST Council's fitment committee. In the representation, SGCCI said that due to proposed uniform tax rates, the government's GST revenue wouldn't increase much but the end-users will end up paying more.

According to Bharat Gandhi, president, Federation of Indian Art Silk Weaving Industry (FIASWI), people working in the synthetic textile value chain could hardly understand the GST structure implemented from July 2017. Now the government is again coming up with further changes to the tax structure which is going to enhance production cost, Gandhi said. Not only synthetic fabric segment, uniform tax rate would adversely affect hundreds of embroidery units also, apart from silk fabric makers. Already embroidery units are forced to increase job-work rates by 10% in view of inflated rates of petroleum products, coal and packaging materials, said Hitesh Bhikhadia, president of Embroidery jobwork association in Surat. With nearly 30 million metres of raw fabric and 25 million metres of processed fabric, Surat commands a 45% share in synthetic textile produced in India. Directly and indirectly, the synthetic textile value chain right from spinning, weaving, processing and garmenting provide job opportunities to more than two million people. Nearly 300 textile markets in the city provide employment opportunities to another half a million people.

Source: The Financial Express

## Establishment of Grievance Redressal and Media Cell in Commissionerate of Customs (Export), Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai

We would like to inform you that Sahar Air Cargo Customs has issued <u>Public Notice No. 54/2021 dated 29rhSeptember, 2021</u> regarding establishment of Grievance Redressal and Media Cell in Commissionerate of Customs (Export), Air Cargo Complex to redress grievances of trade in prompt and time bound manner.

- The Cell shall receive the grievance, send immediate acknowledgement and co-ordinate to resolve the grievance promptly.
- The Cell shall maintain record of grievance received and action taken.
- The Cell shall also monitor social media, respond to it and co-ordinate redressal of the issues raised on the social media.
- Further, it has been decided to hold Open House Meeting every month under the chairmanship of Commissioner of Customs (Export).
- Air Cargo Complex has invited all stakeholders to attend the meeting.
- Any person who has any grievance can attend the meeting without any prior permission.
- However, it is advised that the person may send the grievance before hand so that necessary action can be taken before the
  meeting.
- · The Grievance Redressal and Media Cell can be reached at the following address-

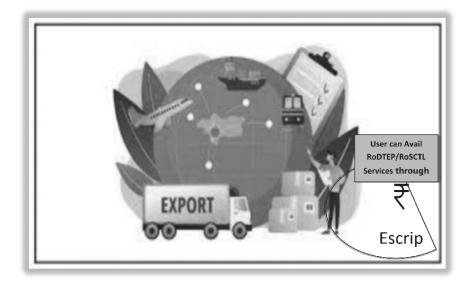
Grievance Redressal and Media Cell

Office of the Commissioner of Customs (Export), Air Cargo Complex, Sahar, Andheri (East), Mumbai-400099 <a href="mail-commr-cus4mum3@nic.in/"><u>Email-commr-cus4mum3@nic.in/</u></a> **Phone No.**: 022-26828131/26826612.

Members may kindly make a note of the above.



#### HOW TO AVAIL EXPORT INCENTIVE SCHEMES THROUGH E-SCRIP?



Escrip module developed by ICEGATE, CBIC to provide a digital service to exporters to avail benefits under various incentive schemes like RoDTEP (Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products) and RoSCTL (Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies). An Advisory No: 06/2021 dated 1st October, 2021has been issued which is a complete step-by-step guide for the user to create an e-scrip account, generate scrips and transfer the scrips to any other IEC to avail the benefit of the schemes.

RoDTEP Scheme provides rebate of Central, State & Local duties/taxes/levies which are borne on the exported goods manufactured in India and not refunded under any other duty remission scheme. The other textiles products (excluding Chapters 61,62 and 63) which are not covered under the RoSCTL shall be eligible to avail the benefits.

While RoSCTL Scheme provides rebate of all embedded State and Central Taxes/levies meant for exports of apparel/garments (under Chapters 61 and 62) and Made-ups (under Chapter 63). The Government has decided to continue the RoSCTL w.e.f. 01st January 2021 to 31st March 2024.

- The broad provisions are as under:
  - 1) To avail the RoSCTL/ RoDTEP Scheme, exporter shall make a claim for the concerned scheme in the Shipping Bill (S/Bill) by making a declaration.
  - 2) Once Export General Manifest (EGM) is filed, RoSCTL/RoDTEP claim will be processed by Customs.
  - 3) Once the RoSCTL/RoDTEP claim is processed, a scroll with all individual S/Bills for admissible amount would be generated and made available in the users account at ICEGATE.
  - 4) User who has registered on ICEGATE with a Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) can create an escrip account under EscripTab.
  - 5) Exporter can log in into his account and generate scrip after selecting the relevant S/Bill.

Implementation of RoDTEP & RoSCTL Scheme in Custom Automated System has been developed with details given in Annexure A & B of the Advisory (Given on Page No.16 & 18 of the Advisory).

Users can log into their ICEGATE account and create the escrip Account, as scrip generation provision will be made functional on the issuance corresponding notification by the department and availability of the budget

Step-By-Step guide for the user to create an escrip account, generate scrips and transfer the scrips to any other IEC to avail the benefit of the scheme.

#### **ESCRIP ACCOUNT CREATION**

- Escrip account can be used by the Importer/Exporter/CHA only after creating it at ICEGATE. The user has to be a valid IEC Holder registered on ICEGATE with a DSC.
- · Steps for creating an Escrip Account with ICEGATE are as follows:

**Step 1)** A Registered User can select the option of Escrip account creation by clicking on the "Escrip" tab under the "Our Services" Section of <a href="https://www.icegate.gov.in/">https://www.icegate.gov.in/</a>.

**Step 2)** User will be directed to the login page. After log in using valid credentials, the escrip option will appear under the Financial Services on the left panel. The user can get registered by following the given link: <a href="https://icegate.gov.in/Download/JavaSetupForDSC.pdf">https://icegate.gov.in/Download/JavaSetupForDSC.pdf</a>.



**Step 3)** Since the user has not created an escrip account initially, a page will be displayed whereby the user can select the scheme name from the drop-down as RoSCTL or RoDTEP and click on Create Escrip Account button.

**Step 4)** After escrip account creation is done by the user, a grid view with the following details will be displayed to the user. User can perform various operations mentioned as follows from this Home Page:

a) SB Details, b) Scrip Details, c) Transaction Details, d) Scrip Transfer, e) Approve Scrip Transfer and f) Add Scheme.

#### **SCRIP MANAGEMENT MODULE**

#### A. SCRIP GENERATION:

Step 1) User can select SB Details Tab for scrip generation from the Escrip Home Page.

**Step 2)** User is provided with the feature of selecting Shipping Bills/scrolls for which the scrips are to be generated. User can select RoSCTL/RoDTEP under Scheme name and location.

Step 3) An error message will be displayed if the scheme is not selected since it is a mandatory field.

**Step 4)** User can view and select S/Bills and can click on "Generate Scrip" button to generate scrip. User can select all the S/Bills at once by checking box in first row.

**Step 5)** Scrip will be generated for the selected Shipping Bill/ scroll. A message will be displayed on the screen after successful Scrip Creation,

#### **B. VIEWING SCRIP DETAILS:**

Step 1) In the Escrip home page, user can select the 'Scrip Details' Tab to view the scrip details which have been generated.

**Step 2)** A unique Scrip Number will be generated and tagged to every user. A credit entry will be made in the Ledger for that user. User can view scrip details after selecting the following options from the scrip status drop down:

- 1) Active-Scrip which is still in active state.
- 2) Utilize-Scrip which is utilized by the user.
- 3) Transferred- Scrip for which the transfer request is approved by the transferee to whom the user has initiated transfer.
- 4) **Transfer Pending-**Scrip which is transferred by the user to another IEC holder, but the latter has not approved the transfer request.
- 5) **Expired-** Scrip which is expired.
- 6) **Transfer Rejected-** Scrip which is rejected by the transferor (who has initiated the scrip transfer request) or the transferee (to whom scrip transfer request is sent).
- 7) All-All scrips generated.

**Step 3)** Once mandatory fields are selected, the data can be viewed in grid. User should be able to view the last 10 entries by default from the credit ledger. User can click on the next or previous link in case of more than 10 entries. The description of the data is given below:

- 1) Scroll Number: Unique scroll number.
- 2) Scrip Number: Unique scrip number.
- 3) Scrip Issue Date: Date on which scrip is generated.
- 4) Scrip Expiry Date: Date on which the scrip will expire.
- 5) **Scrip Issued Amount:** Amount for which the scrip is issued.
- 6) Scrip Balance Amount: Total balance after the scrip has been utilized.
- 7) **Scrip Transfer Date:** Date on which the transfer has been approved by the IEC to whom the scrip is transferred. This will be blank if transfer is not initiated.
- 8) Scrip Status: based on what scrip status user has previously selected as explained in the previous step (step 2).

#### C. TRANSACTION DETAILS:

Step 1) In the credit Ledger Home Page, User can view the Transaction Details by clicking the tab.

**Step 2)** User should be able to view the transactions basis multiple search criteria like start date, end date and transaction type. The Transaction Type field has a drop down with the following options. User can select the appropriate field:

- 1) Issued: To view the scrips been generated. The transaction status will be Complete for this transaction type.
- 2) Utilized: To view the scrips which are utilized. The transaction status will be Complete for this transaction type.
- 3) Transferred: To view the scrips which are transferred to another IEC holder. The transaction status will be Complete for this transaction type.



- 4) **Transfer Pending:** To view the scrips for which the approval for transfer is pending. The transaction status will be Pending for this transaction type.
- 5) All: To view all types of scrips.

Step 3) The data will be displayed in a grid format after selecting the appropriate fields.

#### D. SCRIPTRANSFER:

- Any user who has created an Escrip account can transfer a scrip to another user. The user to which the scrip is to be transferred also needs to have a valid Escrip account. Below are the steps for scrip transfer:
- Step 1) From the Escrip Home page, user can select the "Scrip Transfer" tab to transfer a particular scrip to any other user.
- **Step 2)** It is mandatory to select the RoDTEP or RoSCTL Scheme in order to select the scrips to be transferred. Thereafter, the user can select the appropriate scrip to be transferred from the generated scrips. The list of the generated scrips is available in the drop-down menu along the "Scrip Available" Option.
- **Step 3)** After appropriate scrip selection, user can view the scrip amount and enter IEC of the user to which the scrip is to be transferred. These details of the IEC holder to whom the user wants to make transfer can be entered in the text box alongside "Transfer To" option.
- **Step 4)** OTP is generated and sent to the user who has initiated the transfer on the registered mobile number and email ID. It has to be entered by that user to transfer the scrip successfully. This OTP is valid for a window of 15 minutes only. An error message will be displayed to the user, if wrong OTP is entered.
- **Step 5)** After successfully transferring the request, scrip will be viewed in a grid on the samepage. User who has initiated the transfer scrip request can cancel the request at this stage using the cancel button.

#### E. APPROVE SCRIP TRANSFER REQUEST:

- **Step 1)** An approval request is sent to the IEC for whom transfer request has been initiated by the user. This IEC holder who has to approve the request needs to login, select 'Escrip' tab under Financial Services. He/She will have to create an Escrip account if not already created.
- **Step 2)** From the Escrip Home page, the user to whom a scrip is transferred can approve/ cancel the transfer scrip request by clicking on the "Approve Scrip Transfer" tab.
- **Step 3)** User can view all scrips, which are requested to be transferred to him/her. User can cancel the request by clicking on the Cancel button, if does not wish to accept the scrip.
- **Step 4)** The transferee can approve the transfer scrip request after clicking the Approve button, Transferee has to fill a valid OTP. After clicking the Approve button, the transferee is directed to fill OTP. This OTP is generated and sent to the transferee over registered Mobile number/ email ID and is valid only for 15 minutes. In case the user fails to enter a valid OTP in 15 minutes, the user is redirected to generate a new OTP.
- **Step 5)** The Scrip will be transferred to Transferee after successful OTP validation. Message is also generated and displayed on the screen.

#### F. ADD SCHEME:

- Step 1) Once escrip account is created by the user, user can avail benefit of various export incentive schemes like RoDTEP, RoSCTL by clicking on "Add Scheme" button on the Escrip Home page.
- **Step 2)** User will be directed to select the scheme name from the drop down in "Add Scheme" field and click on "Add Scheme to my account". Following scheme details will be available to the user in a tabular form:

**Scheme Name:** RoDTEP/RoSCTL/other export incentive scheme.

Scheme Account Balance: Current balance of the account.

Account Status: Whether account is active or suspended.

Credit Account Opening Date: Date on which the Escrip account was created for particular scheme.

Last Credit Account Operating Date: Date on which last activity was done by the user.

Members may kindly register on ICEGATE with a DSC (Digital Signature Certificate) to avail the benefits of RODTEP/ RoSCTL Schemes.

**Source:** Advisory No: 06/2021 dated 1st October, 2021 issued by O/o DG of Systems and Data Management: <a href="https://www.icegate.gov.in/Download/Advisory">https://www.icegate.gov.in/Download/Advisory</a> for escrip to avail Export Incentive schemes RoDTEP RoSCTL.pdf



#### INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN COLOMBIATEX, MEDELLIN

Council is organizing participation of its member-companies in Colombiatex in Medellin, Colombia from 25 to 27 January 2022 in association with Embassy of India in Bogota. The participation of Indian companies in Colombiatex is supported by Ministries of Textiles/Commerce & Industry under the MAI Scheme of Govt. of India. COLOMBIATEX is the largest Fair in Latin America for the entire Textile Value Chain, attracting buyers from all over the LAC region to source their textile requirements. The textile and apparel sector are one of the most important sectors in Colombia. The Colombian market offers tremendous opportunity for supply of yarns and fabrics for the manufacture of apparel.

#### Highlights of participation in COLOMBIATEX are as follows:

Name of the Fair & City : COLOMBIATEX, Medellin City, Colombia

Venue : Convention and Exposition Center, Plaza Mayor

Dates : 25<sup>th</sup> , 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 Name of the Organizers : M/s Inexmoda, Medellin

Exhibitor Profiles : Manufacturers, Exporters / Traders of Textiles, / Textiles Raw Materials, Textiles & Apparel Equipment and

Machinery, specialized services.

Product Profile : All types of Yarn, Fabrics, Fashion Fabrics including embroidered fabrics, Suiting, Shirting, Made-Ups,

Fashion Accessories, Home Textiles etc

Minimum Number of participants: 15 member-companies under MAI Scheme.

**Participation Fees:** For furnished booth of 9 sqm is Rs.2.90 Lakhs, and of 7.5 sqm is Rs.2.30 Lakhs, For Corner booth additional charges @ Rs.10,000/-

Location of booths: 7 booths in White Pavilion / 6 booths in Blue Pavilion / 2 booths in Yellow Pavilion.

Please note that the participation fee is subsidized as per the MAI grant, but does not include airfare, hotel accommodation, transportation etc and the GST on participation fees has been waived off.

**Booth package:** 1 Table, 2 Chairs, 3 spot lights, Fascia Board, Carpet, 1 socket, 2 Fabric Display stands for Fabric Exhibitors / 3 Yarn Shelves for Yarn Exhibitors / 1 Fabric Stand and 2 Yarn Shelves for both (Yarn & Fabric) Exhibitors, 1 Dustbin. Additional furnitures/equipments will be available with additional cost.

**Publicity & Promotion:** The event will be publicized extensively by Inexmoda, the Organizers of the renowned International Fair in Colombia. The Council will also publicize the Fair suitably through a separate Exhibitors Catalogue, sending invites to relevant textile importers in Colombia and coordinate with the Indian Embassy to promote the event to the leading importers of textiles & clothing, among other publicity measures.

**Financial Grant:** SRTEPC will provide to all eligible participants re-imbursement of costs of 2-way air-fares, subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions. The reimbursement of cost of economy class air-fare to eligible participants will be limited with a maximum ceiling of Rs.1.25 Lakhs, **subject to approval of MOC under MAI Scheme.** 

Visa: Though participants will have to obtain their visa on their own, the Council shall, however, facilitate their efforts to get Colombian Visa with the help of the Indian Embassy in Bogota, and the Ministry of Textile, Govt. of India

#### **Cancellation Policy:**

Withdrawal of participation from the above Fair will be allowed based on the following:

- 80% Cancellation charge, if withdrawn on or before 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021
- No refund will be available, if withdrawn thereafter.

We look forward to receiving your confirmation soon.

Application Form & Bank Details: Exporters registered with SRTEPC, and other Textile EPC's can apply for participation and interested to participate in the above event are requested to fill the "Online Reply Form" and pay the participation fee by way of Demand Draft/Cheque at par in favour of "The Synthetic & Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council, Mumbai. Participation charge may also be sent to the Council through RTGS/NEFT transfer based on the Bank details mentioned below. Participation will be accepted on a "First-come-First served "basis.

• Name of the beneficiary : The Synthetic & Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council

• Name of the Bank & Branch: Union Bank of India, VN Road, Churchgate, Mumbai

ank Account No. : 319501010036617
 MICR Code No. : 400026021

IFSC Code No. : UBIN0531952
 Council GSTIN No. : 27AAATT0077C1ZR

## CIRCULARS

Considering the limited availability of time for confirmation of participation in the above Fair, we look forward to receiving your confirmation on or before 25th October 2021.

#### Criteria for availing reimbursement of airfare for COLOMBIATEX:

All eligible participating companies have been offered MAI subsidy for reduced participation charge as above, subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions given below:

- Exporting company to have export turnover below Rs.50 crores in preceding financial year.
- Members must have 12 months Membership and regularly filing Export returns with Council.
- Permissible only to the regular Director / Partner/ Proprietor or a regular officer of the company on Senior Managerial Position (not admissible to a foreign national)
- · Claim forms duly filled in and complete in all respects must be submitted to the Council within 45 days of completion of the event.
- Initially duly filled in MAI Application form for claiming reimbursement of air fare should reach to Council 16 days before you commence your journey.
  - Only 3 approved events in a financial year and beyond that will have to bear their own cost.
  - MAI benefit for participation in one booth only. Additional booths booked will be without MAI benefit. An exporter can claim (One booth per company only for MAI eligibility)
  - A maximum of three participations in a particular trade fair/exhibition would only be eligible for MAI assistance, i.e., members who
    have availed assistance three times (including past cases) for a particular fair/exhibition, thereafter, have to participate in that fair
    on their own

#### IM INTERMODA in Mexico from 18 to 21 January, 2022

SRTEPC is organizing participation of member-companies in IM INTERMODA in Mexico from 18 to 21 January, 2022 under the MAI Scheme of Govt. The participation fee is Rs.1.35 Lakhs. Interested member-exporters are requested to send their request at ed@srtepc.in, ramita@srtepc.in

#### WORLD EXPO IN DUBAI -- 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2021 TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2022

The "World Expo" is organized every five years by the Bureau Des Expositions (BIE) and this year it will be organized in Dubai from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 at Dubai Exhibition Centre. World Expo is part of tradition that can be traced back to the 1850s. It has been recognized as one of the most widely accessed global platform for countries to showcase their achievements, capabilities and economic prowess. The participation expected from stakeholders, including business entities, from over 192 countries, and regional and multilateral organisations. It is expected to welcome around 25 million visitors. India is one of the key participants and is positioning itself as a destination of vast and limitless possibilities for both sourcing of goods and services as well as investment.

In view of the above, Ministry of Textiles has agreed to participate in the above Expo as "India Pavilion" during the week called Textile Week from 26<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2021 with support of Export Promotion Councils & FICCI. In this context, the India Pavilion will showcase multifaceted themes through dynamic, immersive displays and have meaningful dialogues with stakeholders from the rest of the world through a series of engagements. The Indian story would not be complete without the participation of an illustrious and prominent corporate citizen of India Inc like your organisation. In recognition of this prowess and the importance of the contribution, you can make towards the above objectives. We take this opportunity to request you to lead your organisation in substantively and significantly participating in the Dubai World Expo and support the Indian initiative, in addition to furthering the commercial interests of your organisation. Interested member-exporters can confirm their participation in the above Expo in Dubai. Participating member-exporters can avail the following facilities:

- 1. A Video of your company will be shown during the 7-days of the event on the Screen. The Audio-Visual Movie will have a QR Code so that interested visitors/ buyers can contact the participating companies directly. Movie of your company can be shared to the Council. Specification of Video should have maximum duration of Video: 3 minutes (The Video will re-run every hour for 7 days), The Video quality should be minimum Full HD (1080x1920) to 4K. The Video ratio should be 16:9 and Video format to should be .mp4 or .mov only.
- 2. Space will be provided to display your unique samples on the Table below the TV Screen.
- $3. \quad \text{Select and Unique sample of your company will be displayed at the SRTEPC booth and Board at the Dubai Expo Centre.} \\$
- 4. As the Dubai Expo will be held on physical mode as well as on digital platform also, the participating company will get an opportunity to login into the B2B platform to interact with textile buyers during the week.
- 5. Established Event called International Apparel and Textile Fair is coinciding with World Expo from 28th to 30th November, 2021 in Dubai.

A <u>PPT slide</u> showcasing the concept of World Expo in Dubai is sent online for your reference and considering participation in the above Expo.

May we request you to kindly go through the online PPT slides and let us know about your participation in the above expo. The participation cost with the above benefit is Rs.2.50 lakhs per company. If any member-exporters would like to visit the above show, the cost will be additional. To confirm your participation, please fill the <u>online reply form</u>. We look forward to receive your confirmation on the above.

#### **MEETINGS**



#### **67<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**







The Synthetic & Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council (SRTEPC) held its 67th Annual General Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at the Ambassador Hotel in Mumbai. The members who attended the meeting physically followed all the required norms in view of the Covid'19 pandemic.

Shri Dhiraj Shah Chairman; Shri Bhadresh Dodhia Vice Chairman; Shri Ronak Rughani, Convener & Immediate Past Chairman; Shri Sri Narain Aggarwal Past Chairman, Shri Anil Rajvanshi, Past Chairman and Shri Rakesh Mehra & Shri Sanjeev Saran, Past Former Chairmen and other members of the CoA and member exporters were present on the occasion

In his address, Shri Shah said that COVID-19 pandemic has impacted economies around the world. It resulted in contractions across various emerging markets and developing economies. It also caused a lasting damage on labor productivity and potential output. It was also informed that as per the latest data, world output contracted -8.0% in 2020 and in the advanced economies it contracted around -9.0%, whereas China witnessed a positive growth of 4% and India witnessed around -8.0% decline. However, the current trade and commerce situation in India is much conducive as compared to other economies, including China. Thanks to the pro-active steps taken by our government. The Chairman said that today, India is more competitive than China in Energy cost, wages and also in transportation and logistics. The International Monetary Fund projects the global economic recovery to grow 6 percent in 2021 and around 5 percent in 2022. Access to vaccination, additional fiscal stimulus in a few large economies, and continued adaptation of economic activity were some of the major reasons for the current recovery projection.

He mentioned that exports of MMF & MMF blended textiles witnessed a decline of nearly 20% during 2020-21 as compared to 2019-20. The current financial year has been encouraging as exports have significantly picked up with revival in global demand. Shri Shah said that he has strong faith on the enterprising nature and spirits of member-exporters. The hard work, determination and enthusiasm of the exporters will certainly lead to further growth of exports of synthetic textiles by leaps and bounds, he stated. Though there are serious concerns on the freight issues, this will also subside shortly with aggressive government remedial measures. He also mentioned that to amplify our efforts, the Government is always ready to support and guide us.

Shri Shah also informed that he along with the Team had several Meetings with Union Ministers viz., Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance, and Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, then Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, to discuss and present before them the issues of our industry. He further informed that he discussed the issues of the industry on a regular basis with the Secretaries and Joint Secretaries of these Ministries and provided them with desired inputs to address the issues. He said that the major steps that Government has taken based on the strong representations made by the Councilon behalf of the members were announcement of PLI Scheme for MMF textiles, incorporation of MMF fabrics in the PLI Scheme and also increased the tariff lines, announcement of the RoDTEP and inclusion of entire MMF value chain in the Scheme, etc. The Chairman said that some of the other major issues that he has taken up with different Ministries were rationalisation of inverted duty structure in the MMF segment, implementation of Fibre Neutral policy, MMF textiles be treated at par with natural fibres, both merchant and manufacturing exporters be treated as one, a separate scheme for establishing a world class processing segment, GST refund on Capital goods import/domestic procurement to encourage more investment, focus on promoting R & D and innovations, conclusion of effective FTAs with EU, UK, USA, etc., release of RoSL/RoSCTL benefits etc. He also informed that the Government has assured of positive consideration of the issues and he was optimistic that these issues will also be addressed suitably. The Council also actively participated in the deliberations on the upcoming New Foreign Trade Policy.

While talking about the Export Promotion Initiatives of the Council, Shri Shah said that as the world was trying to contain the covid pandemic with strict lockdown all the international and national promotional events were cancelled. During 2020-21, the Council participated virtually in Texworld New York City USA from 12 to 14 January 2021, Colombiatex from 18 January to 5 February 2021, BSM in Africa from 15-17 March 2021, and Dhaka International Fabric and Yarn Show from 22 to 24 March 2021. Similarly also organised the flagship show "Source India 2020" virtually.

While putting on record, the Chairman said that the Council conducted a series of educative Seminars on important issues during the year. Some of the important ones were webinar on Forex management in association with the Greenback Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd., webinar on GST issues by GST expert Mr. Vishal Poddar, and Ms. Archana Jain, webinar on Export Credit Risk Management organised jointly with ECGC Ltd. Mumbai, webinar on "Export Finance, Packing credit, post shipment credit, bill purchasing, bill discounting, Documentation under LC and third party payments for exports, in association with Bank of Baroda, Webinar on Global demand for Sustainable textiles and growth opportunities, webinar on "From Margin to the Mainstream - Roadmap to an efficient Forex & Bond Markets", and webinar on trade remedy issues in the textile sector.

Proposing a Vote of thanks Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman thanked Shri Dhiraj Shah, Chairman of the Council. He thanked the former Chairmen of the Council for their active involvement and unstinted support and guidance to all the activities of the Council. He thanked the members of the Committee of Administration for their presence and their continued contribution to the deliberations of the Council. He said that the Council is indebted to them for their sincere participation in all its activities and look forward to their wholehearted involvement in all its forthcoming Functions.



#### "Vanijya Utsav" at Dadar Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, World Trade Center, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai and Surat

#### **DAMAN**

To commemorate 75 years of India's independence the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, organised the "Vanijya Saptah" from 20 to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021as a part of the celebration of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" with a focus on economic growth, especially promotion of exports from India.

The SRTEPC was the anchor Export Promotion Council to handhold the UT Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (DNH and D&D) to organise the two-day "Vanijya Utsav" during 21 and 22 September 2021. As directed by the Ministry, the SRTEPC jointly with the U.T. Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu has organized Vanijya Utsav from 21st to 22nd September 2021 in the UT capital Daman.



Shri Dhiraj Shah, Chairman, SRTEPC lighting the lamp and also present was Shri Lalubhai Patel, Hon'ble Member of Parliament during the inaugural function

An exhibition was organized during the two-day Vanijya Utsav in Daman, wherein 34 export-oriented companies from different sectors participated by displaying their products viz., textiles, engineering & machinery, etc.

#### **SURAT**

As a part of the "Vanijya Saptah" from 20 to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021, SRTEPC also organised Exporters Conclave in Surat on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021 jointly with South Gujarat Chambers of Commerce and Joint DGFT Surat. An Expo was organised wherein around 15 companies participated and displayed their products. A Technical Session was also organised in which additional DGFT Surat made a presentation on export procedures. Bank of Baroda made a presentation on export finance. SRTEPC also made a presentation on global export potential along with handholding services of the Council.



#### **MUMBAI**

SRTEPC also actively participated in the "MAHA EXPO CONCLAVE". The "MAHA EXPO CONCLAVE" was organized to promote and showcase export potential in the State of Maharashtra and its exportable products and services from the State. This event in Maharashtra was organised by Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Industries Department, Government of Maharashtra in collaboration with Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC).

The Conclave concluded with an Open House Discussion and Way Forward session at the 'Vanijya Utsav on September 22, 2021 at WTC Mumbai.





## SRTEPC PARTICIPATION AT ALLTEX EXPO IN KYIV, UKRAINE DURING OCTOBER, 2021

SRTEPC organized participation of 13 Indian companies in ALLTEX Expo in Kyiv, Ukraine from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Participation of Indian companies in ALLTEX, Ukraine was organized with the assistance of the Embassy of India in Kyiv and support of Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India.

#### Indian Participants and Display of Products:

13 Indian companies participating through SRTEPC had put up on display their latest range of fabrics – Suiting, Shirting, Dress Material, Fashion Fabric, Scarves, Yarns, High Value-added Embroidered Fabrics, Denim Fabrics and Garments, which attracted the visiting buyers.









#### List of SRTEPC Participating companies in ALLTEX 2021

S.No.		S.No.	Companies
1	HEIRLOOM ENTERPRISES (INDIA) LLP	7	SAANIKA POLYTEX PVT. LTD.
2	MI SIGN EXPORTS	8	SAIVA EXIM
3	NABEEHA EXPORTS	9	SANGAM (INDIA) LIMITED
4	NAGREEKA EXPORTS LTD.	10	ULTRADENIM LIFESTYLE PRIVATE LIMITED
5	PIONEER EMBROIDERIES LTD	11	VASUPUJYA FILAMENTS (Dodhia Group)
6	RISHAB WORLD PVT. LTD.	12	VINEET POLYFAB PVT.LTD
13	WINSOME TEXTILE INDUSTRIES LIMITED		

#### Inauguration of "India Pavilion" at ALLTEX EXPO

Shri. Ambarish Vemuri, SS(Pol) & HOC, Embassy of India in Kyiv and Shri. Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman of the Council jointly inaugurated India Pavilion at ALLTEX. Head of Chancery of Indian Embassy visited the stalls of Indian companies and his personal interactions with the Indian Exhibitors were highly appreciated by the participating Indian Exhibitors during the Exhibition.





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#### **Seminar during ALLTEX**

Embassy of India in Kyiv in association with UKRLEGPROM Association organized Seminar during Alltex Expo, which was attended by some of the Textile buyers, Indian Exhibitors and Mrs. Alia Putyntseva, Director of ALLLTEX. During the Seminar, Shri. Ambarish Vemuri, HOC briefed about Textile Market in Ukraine, and Shri. Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman of the Council promoted the service of SRTEPC, MMF Textile Trade between India and Ukraine and introduced our Indian suppliers during the Seminar.

The patronage provided by Embassy of India was also appreciated by one and all. The prompt assistance and support provided by the Embassy of India, including issuance of Note Verbale for visa for participants, letter to Customs at Kyiv for carrying samples by the Indian Exhibitors etc. All those efforts / assistances of the Embassy went a long way in making the participation of Indian companies effective and meaningful.





#### **Assistance to Indian Participants:**

The Council undertook the following activities/value added services for the participants to ensure success of the participation in ALLTEX:

- Providing 'Note Verbale' from Indian Embassy and Invitation Letters from Organizer to facilitate Visa process for exhibitors.
- Provided information about the hotel accommodation for the stay of participants during the Fair in areas recommended by the
  organizers.
- Assistance in sending product-samples as passenger baggages for display during the Fair.
- Provided data-base of textile buyers in Ukraine well in advance to enable our exhibitors to fix up business meetings during the
  event
- Arranged Seminar/Workshop to facilitate Indian exhibitors to meet local Ukrainian textile buyers/Industry stakeholders for
  exploring the possibility of doing business at the venue.
- Hired the services of interpreters / translators for our participants to interact with the visiting buyers during the Event.
- Arranged RTPCR Test and Reports of all the Indian Exhibitors at the venue itself.
- · Arranged for Indian Lunch for our exhibitors for four days of the event by tying up with a local Indian Restaurant.

#### **Publicity & Promotion:**

To ensure good footfalls of buyers to India Pavilion, the Council undertook the following activities to publicize and promote the India Pavilion in ALLTEX:

- 1. Designed and printed Exhibitors Catalogue in Ukrainian language with the help of Indian Embassy for its distribution to the target visiting buyers during the Exhibition.
- 2. Created an India Pavilion with special Fascia Board to get the focused attention of visiting Buyers to India Pavilion.
- 3. SRTEPC also arranged a "Buyers Lounge", which was also used for publicizing Indian Textile Industry & Trade by using publicity posters in its booth.
- 4. Publicized the Event through Social Media, Facebook and Instagram.

#### Response to the Fair:

Though the footfalls of textile buyers were lukewarm to ALLTEX, but some of the Indian companies have started a good kick for their first-time entry to Ukraine.

As for the business outcome of the participating Indian companies in the Fair, some of the buyers were seen discussing business with Indian counterparts, and most of the participants were not willing to disclose the outcome of their discussion with visiting customers on account of confidentiality. According to the feed-back received from the participating companies, Ukraine is a good market for textiles and initiative of SRTEPC for entering into a new market like Ukraine is a good effort and most of our member exhibitors have shown interest to re-visit the market for exploring business possibilities.

#### **Conclusion:**

The Exhibition always a great opportunity for buyers and sellers to bring together for strengthening of business relationship. After Pandemic, this was the first Event organized by the Council in physical mode with a new market. Participation in the event provided a big boost to the Indian industry. The Government of India has also included new schemes in the Annual plan to provide a boost to the textile sector, this will really expand the current scope for enhancing our trade with Ukraine.



## FAQs on The Refund Management System on DGFT Portal

#### Q1. What applications are eligible for Refund?

**Ans:** Following applications are eligible for refund:

- Where the fee has been deposited in excess of the specified amount of fee.
- Where the fee has been deposited but no application has been made.
- · Where the fee has been deposited in error, but the applicant is exempt from payment of fee.

#### Q2. My payment status is failed then will I be able to file for Refund?

Ans: (a) User will be able to claim refund of file whose Payment Status is 'Success'.

(b) Payment date & Payment Status will be auto populated when screen is displayed.

#### Q3. What are the prerequisites for applying for any application under Refund Management system?

Ans: Following are required while applying for any application under Refund Management System:

- Your user profile must be linked with an IEC.
- A valid DSC must be registered in the system. It can be verified from My Dashboard >>> View and Register Digital Signature Token.

#### Q4. If my IEC is in DEL/cancelled/suspended, am I eligible to apply for Refund?

Ans: (a) If your IEC is in DEL, you shall not be allowed to proceed with submission of your request for applications under Refund Management.

(b) If your IEC is cancelled/suspended, you shall not be allowed to proceed with submission of your request.

#### Q5. Where can I find my partially filled application?

Ans: Please follow the below path to access your draft applications:

- My Dashboard >>> Draft Applications.
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> Open.

#### Q6. What is an application number? Where can I find it?

Ans: (a) When an application is created and saved for the first time, an application number gets created. All draft applications have an application number.

(b) The Application Number can be found by following the given path: My Dashboard >>> Draft applications.

#### Q7. What is a file number? Where can I view my submitted applications/File number?

Ans: (a) When an application is submitted, a file number is generated. The application is tracked via this File Number.

- (b) Please follow the below path to get the file number:
  - My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
  - Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
  - · Click on Search.
  - · All details of submitted applications are available in the search results. These details also include their file number.

#### Q8. How can I request for withdrawal of my submitted application?

**Ans:** Please follow the below path to withdraw a submitted application:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
- Click on Search
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> Withdraw.

#### Q9. Where can I view my approved applications?

Ans: Please follow the below path:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).

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- · Click on Search.
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> View Letter.

#### Q10. What is view lifecycle? Where can I see it?

**Ans:** Please follow the below path:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
- · Click on Search
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> View Life Cycle.

#### Q11. Where can I see the DSC/e-Sign details of the submitted applications?

Ans: Please follow the below path to view the DSC/e-Sign details of a submitted file:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
- · Click on Search.
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> DSC/e-Sign Details.

#### Q12. Where can I check the status of my submitted application?

Ans: Please follow the below steps:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
- Click on Search.
- In the search results, please find the status of the submitted application under the column 'File Status'.

#### Q13. What to do if my application is marked as deficient?

**Ans:** If File Status of your submitted application is marked as deficient, then please follow the below steps to respond to the deficiency raised by the officer:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
- Click on Search.
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> Respond Deficiency.
- · Click on View under the Deficiency view to view the deficiency letter issued by the officer.
- To respond to deficiency, click on Respond under the Respond to Deficiency.
- A pop-up shall appear asking you Do you want to amend application? In case you have to add attachments only, please click on 'NO' whereas, to make changes to your application, please click on 'YES'.
- On submission of your response, the life cycle view of the application is updated for your reference and the file is submitted to the RA Officer who issued the deficiency letter.

#### Q14. Where can I confirm the submission of my response to a deficiency against my submitted application?

Ans: Post submission of your response to the deficiency, a pop-up appears confirming your submission. Also, the same gets updated in the life cycle view.

#### Q15. How can I take a print of the application or download it for future reference?

**Ans:** (a) Each form has a section of application summary that shows values for all fields filed in the application.

- (b) This section of application summary, has a button for "Print Application" enabled on the top right corner of the section.
- (c) Please click on the button to download the application for your future reference.

#### Q16. Where can we apply for applications under Refund Management?

**Ans:** Please follow the below path:

- Services >>> Payment Related Functions.
- · Click on Apply.



#### Q17. Can I create a copy of an existing application?

Ans: Please follow the below path to create a copy of an existing application for SCOMET:

- My Dashboard >>> Submitted Applications.
- Enter Type of Scheme (Select in dropdown: Refund Management) and Type of Sub Scheme (Application for Fee Refund).
- · Click on Search.
- Click on Action (Under the Results) >>> Make a Copy.

#### Q18. What is the application fee?

Ans: There is no application fee.

### Q19. On declaration page of an application form, I am unable to proceed further, or system is not allowing me to click on "Save and Next".

**Ans:** If user profile is not updated, please update the details of your logged in user profile before submitting the application by clicking on your Username >>> Profile in the top right corner of website.

#### Q20. How can I add bank account(s) for Refund application?

Ans: Bank accounts in Refund Management application are coming from IEC profile. In case you want to add new account details, then modify your IEC and add bank account there.

#### Q21. Why my Bank Account is not PFMS Validated?

Ans: There is a list of Banks which do not get validated through PFMS. (Note: You will only be able to view the PFMS Validated accounts. List of Banks other than Citibank, HSBC and RRBs are validated from PFMS. If you have already modified the IEC to add a Bank Account, then it might take 24-48 Hours to get validated from PFMS).

#### Q22. How can I check the fund disbursal status against my application?

Ans: You shall be able to check the fund disbursal status against your application through Services >> Refund Management >> View Fund Status.

#### Q23. How can I change the bank account number in case fund disbursal failed for any submitted application?

Ans: (a) You shall be able to raise revalidation request through Services >>> Refund Management >>> View Fund Status.

(b) Select the application number and click on the Initiate Revalidation Request. You have to select new account number and submit the revalidation request.

#### Q24. Can I raise multiple revalidation request for one application?

**Ans:** Yes, you may but that is only possible when previous request of revalidation is rejected/failed. If previous request is already in progress, then you are not allowed to submit new request.

#### Q25. How can I add new bank account details for the re validation request?

Ans: Bank accounts in Refund Management application are coming from IEC profile. In case you want to add new account details, then modify your IEC and add bank account there. (Note: You will only be able to view the PFMS Validated accounts. List of Banks other than Citibank, HSBC and RRBs are validated from PFMS. If you have already modified the IEC to add a Bank Account, then it might take 24-48 Hours to get validated from PFMS).

NOTE: Answers in this FAQ document are informative in nature. No legal claims can be made on basis of same. Users should refer policy documents for legal position. Please refer to Foreign Trade Policy and Handbook of Procedures for policy related matters.

Source: FAQs issued by the O/o DGFT: https://tinyurl.com/24786puw



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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Notification No. 33/2015-20	28.09.2021	Extension of FTP 2015-2020	DGFT has extended the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20 till 31.03.2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ ykdy9e5k
2)	Notification No. 28/2015-20	23.09.2021		DGFT has extended the Export Obligation Period of specified Advance & EPCG Authorisations till 31.12.2021.	https://tinyurl.com/ 4fmpheje
3)	Public Notice No. 25/2015-20	28.09.2021	Extension of HBP 2015-2020	DGFT has extended the HBP 2015-20 till 31.03.2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ 5jhejhjc
4)	Trade Notice No. 19/2021-22	01.10.2021	Mandatory electronic filing of Non-Preferential CoO	DGFT has extended the date for mandatory electronic filing of Non-Preferential Certificate of Origin (CoO) through the Common Digital Platform to 31.10.2021.	https://tinyurl.com/ yhazkzys
5)	Trade Notice No. 18/2021-22	20.09.2021	De-Activation of IECs not updated on the DGFT	All IECs which have not been updated after 01.01.2005 shall be de-activated w.e.f. 06.10.2021.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2nf6n26c

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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Notification No. 80/2021 – Cus. (NT)	07.10.2021	Exchange rate Notification	Notifies Rate of Exchange of Foreign Currencies w.e.f. 08.10.2021.	https://tinyurl.com/ 3zas67vn
2)	Notification No. 78/2021 – Cus. (NT)	30.09.2021	CBIC amends Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations, 2018	These regulations may be called the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment (Eighth Amendment) Regulations, 2021.	https://tinyurl.com/ z2sdybw7
3)	Notification No. 77/2021 – Cus. (NT)	24.09.2021	Seeks to notify the manner to issue duty credit for goods exported under the continuation of RoSCTL Scheme	CBIC notifies the manner to issue duty credit for goods exported under the continuation of Scheme for Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL).	https://tinyurl.com/ vdvuhpf6
4)	Notification No. 76/2021 – Cus. (NT)	23.09.2021		CBIC notifies the manner to issue duty credit for goods exported under the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) Scheme.	https://tinyurl.com/ 6pd3s2uv
5)	Notification No. 75/2021 – Cus. (NT)	23.09.2021	CBIC notifies the Electronic Duty Credit Ledger Regulations, 2021	These regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.	https://tinyurl.com/ uusyfn7y
6)	Notification No. 74/2021 – Cus. (NT)	16.09.2021	Exchange rate Notification	Notifies Rate of Exchange of Foreign Currencies w.e.f. 17.09.2021.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2ryhvm3h
7)	Circular No. 23/2021- Cus.	30.09.2021	Scheme for RoDTEP w.e.f. 01.01.2021	Remission under RoDTEP is as a percentage of FOB value of the eligible export product along with value caps for certain HS Codes or is at specific value as detailed under Appendix 4R.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2hszb2z7



S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
8)	Circular No. 22/2021- Cus.	30.09.2021	Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) Scheme on export of apparel/garments/made-ups W.e.f. 01.01.2021	W.e.f. 01.01.2021, RoSCTL Scheme provides for remission amount in the form of transferable duty credit issued to a person and maintained in the electronic duty credit ledger in the customs automated system.	https://tinyurl.com/ wtpdxz6v
9)	Circular No. 21/2021- Cus.	24.09.2021	Easing container availability for export cargo	CBIC has notified a temporary measure to ease containers available for export of containerised cargo.	https://tinyurl.com/ d4m3db9p
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1)	Amendment to Public Notice No. 71/2021	24.09.2021	Change in the details of Nodal Officer from Customs at Para 8 of PN-71/2021	Shri Dinbandhu Diwakar, Joint Commissioner (NS-III) is appointed as the Nodal Officer at Mumbai Customs.	https://tinyurl.com/ kf2ymhxj
2)	Public Notice No. 87/2021	23.09.2021	Manifest and Transhipment Regulations, 2018	messages and manifests mandated under SCMTR will be undertaken by JNCH to speedily resolve errors, and ensure successful error-free filing of mandated messages in all respects.	https://tinyurl.com/ 5bdmu5nr
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1)	Public Notice No. 54/2021	29.09.2021	Establishment of Grievance Redressal and Media Cell in Commissionerate of Customs (Export) ACC	Grievance Redressal and Media Cell is established in Commissionerate of Customs (Export), ACC to redress grievances of trade in prompt and time bound manner.	https://tinyurl.com/ 3hnx6a5b
2)	Public Notice No. 53/2021	23.09.2021	Scroll returned by SBI on account of wrong/insufficient particulars of the exporters	ACC has provided a list of the Scroll returned by SBI on account of wrong/insufficient particulars of the exporters.	https://tinyurl.com/ 4j7udtj5
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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Public Notice No. 179/2021	01.10.2021	Implementation of RoSCTL Scheme w.e.f. 01.01.2021 in System	RoSCTL scheme had been continued retrospectively w.e.f. 01.01.2021 till 31.03.2024 for Chapters 61, 62 and 63 in exclusion of RoDTEP for these Chapters.	https://tinyurl.com/ akratyt2
2)	Public Notice No. 178/2021	01.10.2021	Implementation of RoDTEP rates w.e.f. 01.01.2021 in System	The scheme code to be used in Bill of Entry for these scrips would be "RD" along with Notification No. as "RODTEP".	https://tinyurl.com/ w4hpdzu4
3)	Public Notice No. 176/2021	24.09.2021	Turant Customs-Grievance Redressal Cell for Faceless Assessment Group	Turant Suvidha Kendra (TSK) has been designated as a Grievance Redressal Cell for any issues pertaining to faceless assessments.	https://tinyurl.com/ hsszc9sh
4)	Public Notice No. 175/2021	27.09.2021	Appointment of Nodal Officer and Alternate Nodal Officer for SCMTR 2018 and EDI within the jurisdiction of Chief Commissioner of	The details of the Nodal Officer is given in the Public Notice.	https://tinyurl.com/ 89vurzfc

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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Gazette Notification No. 12015/03/2020-IT		Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles	Incentives under the PLI scheme will be available for 5 years period i.e. during FY 2025-26 to FY 2029-30 on incremental turnover achieved during FY 2024-25 to FY 2028-29 with a budgetary outlay of Rs. 10,683 crore.	https://tinyurl.com/ 4s8f5e47
2)	Notification No. 5(5)/Review Meeting with ROs/2021/ RRTUFS/35	02.09.2021	Template for willingness of units and calling document prior to JIT visit	O/o TXC has decided that the Regional O/o TxCs to ascertain the willingness of units for special JIT well in advance to ensure hassle-free special JIT for the cases under RR-TUFS.	https://tinyurl.com/ 3467u4f4

	DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF TRADE REMDIES				
S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	File No. 7/14/2021-DGTR		Sunset Review of Anti-Dumping Duty imposed on imports of "Elastomeric Filament Yarn" from China PR, South Korea, Taiwan and Vietnam	email NCV of their submissions filed (and future filings too) to all other interested parties with a copy to the	https://tinyurl.com/ 3cytzpf5
2)	F.No.6/44/2020- DGTR	28.09.2021	Anti-Dumping investigation concerning imports of "Elastomeric Filament Yarn" originating in or exported from Singapore	The exchange rate adopted by the Authority for the subject investigation is US\$1 = Rs. 71.63.	https://tinyurl.com/ 3c9npt6w
3)	F.No. 6/8/2021- DGTR	27.09.2021	Anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of "Mono Ethylene Glycols (MEG)" from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and USA	All interested parties are requested to e-mail non-confidential versions (NCV) of their submissions/responses/ comments filed (and future filings too) to all other interested parties.	https://tinyurl.com/ we57572

	RESERVE BANK OF INDIA				
S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	RBI/2021-2022/ 101	28.09.2021	reference rate in place of LIBOR for interest payable in respect of export / import	RBI has decided to permit AD banks to use any other widely accepted/Alternative reference rate in the currency concerned for such transactions.	https://tinyurl.com/ ytakx3hr

#### **GST RELATED NOTIFICATIONS / CIRCULARS**

#### **CENTRAL TAX NOTIFICATIONS**

(https://www.cbic.gov.in/htdocs-cbec/gst/central-tax-notfns-2017)

Notification No. & Date	Subject
35/2021-Central Tax	Seeks to make amendments (Eighth Amendment, 2021) to the CGST Rules, 2017.
dated 24.09.2021	



### CIRCULARS / ORDERS

(https://www.cbic.gov.in/htdocs-cbec/gst/index-english)

Circular/ Order No. & Date	Subject
162/18/2021-GST dated 25.09.2021	Clarification in respect of refund of tax specified in section 77(1) of the CGST Act and section 19(1) of the IGST Act.
161/17/2021-GST dated 20.09.2021	Clarification relating to export of services-condition (v) of section 2(6) of the IGST Act 2017.
160/16/2021-GST dated 20.09.2021	Clarification in respect of certain GST related issues.
159/15/2021-GST dated 20.09.2021	Clarification on doubts related to scope of "Intermediary".

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Name of Ministry	Date	Subject
Prime Minister's Office	13.10.2021	Text of PM's address at the launch of PM Gati Shakti, National Master Plan for Multi-Modal Connectivity.
Prime Minister's Office	13.10.2021	Prime Minister launches PM Gati Shakti.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	12.10.2021	Leading India's intervention, Shri Piyush Goyal calls for waiver of IPR and dismantling new trade barriers in the global fight against the pandemic.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	12.10.2021	Shri Narayan Rane calls for concerted efforts to enhance growth of MSME Sector.
Ministry of Finance	11.10.2021	Revenue Deficit Grant of Rs.9,871 crore released to 17 States.
Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways	11.10.2021	V.O. Chidambaranar Port sets sight to establish Multimodal Logistics Park.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	09.10.2021	"Aim for \$450-\$500 billion exports next year" - Piyush Goyal.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	08.10.2021	Shri Piyush Goyal calls called upon the ASEAN bloc to do away with Non-Tariff Barriers.
Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways	08.10.2021	Shipping Minister Shri Sarbanand Sonowal launches 'MyPortApp' for digital monitoring of port operations.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	07.10.2021	Shri Piyuh Goyal calls for focus on Skill Development in all Govt schemes.
Cabinet	06.10.2021	Government has approved setting up of 7 Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks with a total outlay of Rs. 4,445 crore in a period of 5 years.
Ministry of Textiles	06.10.2021	Government has approved setting up of 7 Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks with a total outlay of Rs. 4,445 crore in a period of 5 years.
Prime Minister's Office	04.10.2021	PM to inaugurate 'Azadi@75 – New Urban India: Transforming Urban Landscape' Conference-cum-Expo in Lucknow on 5th October, 2021.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	04.10.2021	Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt (CGSSD) extended upto 31.03.2022.
Ministry of Finance	02.10.2021	CBDT notifies Rules for implementing the amendments made by the Taxation Laws (Amendment) Act, 2021.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	01.10.2021	India's Merchandise Trade: Preliminary Data September 2021.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	01.10.2021	ECGC assures exporters to provide cost-effective credit insurance cover.
Ministry of Finance	01.10.2021	GST Revenue collection for September 2021.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	30.09.2021	Government approves Rs. 4,400 crore investment in ECGC Ltd. in 5 years to provide support to exporters as well as banks.
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Name of Ministry	Date	Subject
Ministry of Finance	30.09.2021	ECLGS' scope expanded and scheme extended till 31.03.2022.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	29.09.2021	MSME Minister launches India Export Initiative and India Xports 2021 Portal.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	28.09.2021	More than 22000 compliances reduced in Government.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	28.09.2021	New online system of MSME/Udyam Registration crosses 50 lakh mark.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	27.09.2021	Rules of Business have to be same for all, says Minister of Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs & Food & Public Distribution and Textiles, Shri Piyush Goyal.
Ministry of Textiles	26.09.2021	Shri Piyush Goyal calls for proactive initiatives to modernize the design, quality, packaging and marketing for better prices for products in international market to benefit weavers.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	25.09.2021	Measures to reduce adverse impact of Global Container Shortage.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	23.09.2021	Despite COVID-19 and other issues, we are ahead of Exports target : Commerce Minister.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	23.09.2021	Startup India ecosystem gets big boost by DPIIT.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	22.09.2021	Joint Press Statement on the Launch of Negotiations for the India – United Arab Emirates Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA).
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	22.09.2021	National Single Window System for Investors and Businesses launched by Shri Piyush Goyal.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	20.09.2021	Government to start and institutionalise 24 hours "Helpline" for assistance to exporters and resolution of issues- Shri Piyush Goyal.
Ministry of Textiles	20.09.2021	Over 28,300 artisans and 1,49,422 weavers registered on the GeM Portal.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	19.09.2021	Ministry of Commerce & Industry to celebrate 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' from 20th to 26th September, 2021.
Ministry of Finance	17.09.2021	Government extends certain timelines to ease compliances.
Ministry of Finance	17.09.2021	Recommendations of 45th GST Council Meeting.
Ministry of Finance	17.09.2021	Grant of Rs. 2427 crore released to States for Urban Local Bodies.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	17.09.2021	Ms. Alka Nangia Arora, JS, Ministry of MSME assumes Charge as CMD, NSIC.

#### **Attention Members**

#### Renewal of Council's Membership for the year 2021-22

Kindly refer to our Circular message dated 1st April 2021 (Ref: Mem/2021-22/001) regarding renewal of your company's membership with SRTEPC.

The annual membership renewal fee for Non-SSI and SSI are as follows:

For Non-SSI, renewal fees is Rs.12,331

For SSI/MSME units (Micro/small category), renewal fees is Rs.8,201

Please note, non-payment of Membership Subscription will lead to discontinuation of your membership as well as cancellation of the Registration-cum Membership Certificate (RCMC) issued to your company.

In view of the above, Members who have not yet sent their renewal fee are requested to send their Membership Subscription Fee for the year 2021-22 at the earliest.

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#### ANALYSIS ON EXPORTS OF INDIAN MAN-MADE FIBRE TEXTILES DURING APRIL – JULY 2021-2022

Exports of Indian Manmade Fibre (MMF) textiles for the period of April-July 2021-22 were US\$ 2217.09 million vs US\$ 984.77 million in the corresponding period of the previous year, showing an encouraging growth of 125.14%.

Value in USD Mn

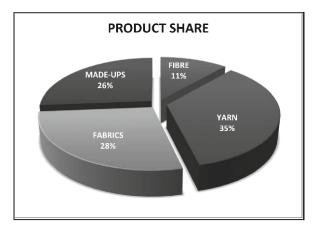
Segments	April - July 2020-2021	April - July 2021-2022	% Growth/Decline
FIBRE	110.09	253.44	130.21
YARN	272.95	772.35	182.96
FABRICS	297.12	608.75	104.88
MADE-UPS	304.61	582.55	91.24
TOTAL	984.77	2217.09	125.14

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Overall exports during April-July 2021-2022 showed a growth of 125% as compared to the same period of the previous year.
- All the four segments have shown encouraging growth during the period.
- Exports of MMF have shown a growth of 130.21% during April-July 2021-2022 as compared to the same period of the
  previous year. Polyester Staple Fibre (US\$ 161.38 Mn) was the leading item in the MMF category followed by Viscose Staple
  Fibre (US\$ 85.27 Mn).
- MMF Yarn exports witnessed a growth of 183% during observed period, as compared to the same period of the previous year. Polyester Filament Yarn was the leading item with exports of US\$ 479.34 Mn followed by Polyester Cotton Yarn US\$ 79.69 Mn, Polyester Spun Yarn US\$ 45.52 Mn and Polyester Viscose Yarn US\$ 37.58 Mn.
- Exports of MMF Fabrics also witnessed 104.88% growth during April-July 2021-2022. Synthetic Filament Fabrics (US\$ 221.39Mn) was the top MMF Fabrics exported during the period followed by Polyester Filament Fabrics (US\$ 118.51 Mn).
- Exports of MMF Made-ups increased by 91.24% during the period.
- Exports of Yarn dominated with 35% share followed by Fabrics 28%, Made-ups 26%, and Fibre 11% in the Indian MMF textile export basket.
- Share of the value-added segments such as Fabrics and Made-ups is 54% in total exports.
- USA emerged the leading market for Indian MMF textiles during April-July 2021-2022 with 14% share followed by Turkey 11% and UAE 7%.
- Exports to Brazil showing tremendous growth of 428% during the period.
- All markets for Indian MMF textiles showed positive growth during the observed period.
- Other key markets during April-July 2021-2022 were Brazil, Egypt, Bangladesh with the share of 5% each and Sri Lanka, Italy, Germany 2% each.
- USA, UAE and Sri Lanka were the leading markets for Indian MMF Fabrics during April-July 2021-2022
- USA and UAE were also leading markets for Indian MMF Made-ups during the period.

#### PRODUCT SHARE

During April-July 2021-2022, dominant product in the Indian MMF textiles export basket was Yarn accounting for a share of 35% followed by Fabrics 27%, Made-ups 26% and Fibre 11%.





#### PRODUCT-WISE EXPORT PERFORMANCE APRIL-JUNE 2021-2022 (Value in US\$ Mn)

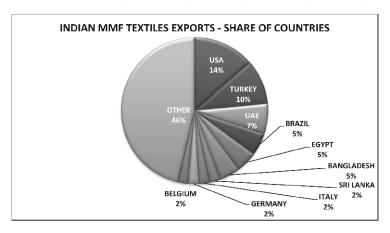
Value in US\$ Mn

Product Description	April-July 2020-2021	April-July 2021-2022	Net Change	% Grow
FIBRE				
Polyester Staple	64.01	161.38	97.37	152.1
Viscose Staple	37.42	85.27	47.85	127.8
Other Fibre	8.66	6.79	-1.87	-21.5
Total Fibre	110.09	253.44	143.35	130.2
YARN			_	
Polyester Filament	143.23	479.34	336.11	234.6
Polyester Cotton	29.37	79.69	50.32	171.3
Polyester Spun	15.90	45.52	29.62	186.2
Viscose Spun	16.37	37.58	21.21	129.5
Polyester Viscose	15.16	34.70	19.54	128.8
Synthetic Spun	14.36	20.75	6.39	44.5
Nylon Filament	6.14	13.55	7.41	120.6
Acrylic Spun	9.17	12.64	3.47	37.8
Viscose Filament	3.40	11.92	8.52	250.5
Artificial Spun	1.14	3.72	2.58	226.3
Other Yarn	18.71	32.94	14.23	76.0
Total Yarn	272.95	772.35	499.40	182.9
FABRICS (Woven + non-w	voven + knitted)		<u>'</u>	
Synthetic Filament	102.41	221.39	118.98	116.1
Polyester Filament	43.16	118.51	75.35	174.5
Polyester Viscose	47.62	71.15	23.53	49.4
Polyester Blended	11.30	16.65	5.35	47.3
Polyester Cotton	7.01	12.37	5.36	76.4
Viscose Spun	7.28	10.27	2.99	41.0
Nylon Filament	5.37	8.67	3.30	61.4
Polyester Wool	4.14	8.05	3.91	94.4
Viscose Blended	7.34	7.50	0.16	2.1
Polyester Spun	2.46	6.09	3.63	147.5
Other Fabrics	59.11	127.90	68.79	116.3
Total Fabrics	297.20	608.55	311.35	104.7
MADE-UPS			•	
Bulk Containers	161.20	316.25	155.05	96.1
Shawls/Scarves	17.09	48.18	31.09	181.9
Muffler	12.09	26.54	14.45	119.5
Motifs	13.23	26.40	13.17	99.5
Fishing Net	18.72	19.00	0.28	1.5
Blanket	8.54	10.23	1.69	19.7
Furnishing Articles	4.42	10.05	5.63	127.3
Rope	5.86	8.72	2.86	48.8
Bed Linen	3.64	8.29	4.65	127.7
Sacks and Bags	4.60	7.81	3.21	69.7
Other Made-ups	53.87	98.55	44.68	82.9
Total Made-ups	303.26	580.02	276.76	91.20



\*Flexible Intermediate Bulk Container (HS Code 63053200)/big bag/bulk bag or Super Sack is a standardized container in large dimensions for storing and transporting dry, flow able products, for example sand, fertilizers, and granules of M, plastics, most often made of thick woven polyethylene or polypropylene, either coated or uncoated. \*\*Other Made-ups include Tents, Sails, Rags, Embroidery (without visible ground) & Accessories.

Synthetic Filament: HS Codes 54077200, 54072090, 56031200, 54077400, 54079400, 54079200



#### **LEADING MARKETS**

Value in US\$ Mn

Country	April-July 2020-2021	April-July 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth
USA	146.22	300.18	153.96	105.29
TURKEY	81.74	220.05	138.31	169.21
UAE	51.45	146.73	95.28	185.19
BRAZIL	20.92	110.64	89.72	428.87
EGYPT	36.48	103.71	67.23	184.29
BANGLADESH	53.86	100.32	46.46	86.26
SRI LANKA	27.13	52.74	25.61	94.40
ITALY	27.13	52.74	25.61	94.40
GERMANY	32.60	51.91	19.31	59.23
BELGIUM	18.87	49.54	30.67	162.53

#### **MAJOR MARKETS FOR MMF FIBRE**

Value in US\$ Mn

Country	April-July 2020-2021	April-July 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth
TURKEY	24.43	42.86	18.43	75.44
USA	10.96	29.43	18.47	168.52
BANGLADESH	15.27	18.09	2.82	18.47
BELGIUM	5.40	9.69	4.29	79.44
EGYPT	5.29	9.15	3.86	72.97
GERMANY	4.57	8.40	3.83	83.81
BRAZIL	1.46	6.08	4.62	316.44
UAE	0.98	5.69	4.71	480.61
ITALY	1.76	5.19	3.43	194.89
SRI LANKA	0.01	0.02	0.01	100.00



#### MAJOR MARKETS FOR MMF YARN

Value in US\$ Mn

Country	April-July 2020-2021	April-July 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth
TURKEY	53.84	170.79	116.95	217.22
BRAZIL	17.76	101.52	83.76	471.62
EGYPT	23.80	76.47	52.67	221.30
BANGLADESH	21.21	36.87	15.66	73.83
USA	22.24	36.19	13.95	62.72
BELGIUM	5.50	18.58	13.08	237.82
UAE	4.40	15.02	10.62	241.36
SRI LANKA	4.41	13.69	9.28	210.43
ITALY	3.82	9.45	5.63	147.38
GERMANY	3.85	7.02	3.17	82.34

#### MAJOR MARKETS FOR MMF FABRICS

Value in US\$ Mn

Country	April-July 2020-2021	-		% Growth
USA	38.88	86.68	47.80	122.94
UAE	25.69	67.89	42.20	164.27
SRI LANKA	27.60	58.29	30.69	111.20
BANGLADESH	17.22	44.76	27.54	159.93
EGYPT	6.60	17.02	10.42	157.88
ITALY	6.88	9.79	2.91	42.30
BELGIUM	3.17	9.54	6.37	200.95
TURKEY	2.66	5.15	2.49	93.61
GERMANY	3.23	4.45	1.22	37.77
BRAZIL	1.28	1.18	-0.10	-7.81

#### MAJOR MARKETS FOR MMF MADE-UPS

Value in US\$ Mn

Country	April-July 2020-2021	April-July 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth
USA	74.14	147.88	73.74	99.46
UAE	20.38	58.13	37.75	185.23
GERMANY	20.95	32.04	11.09	52.94
ITALY	14.67	28.31	13.64	92.98
BELGIUM	4.80	11.73	6.93	144.38
BRAZIL	0.42	1.86	1.44	342.86
SRI LANKA	1.09	1.62	0.53	48.62
TURKEY	0.81	1.25	0.44	54.32
EGYPT	0.79	1.07	0.28	35.44
BANGLADESH	0.16	0.60	0.44	275.00



## SRTEPC ORGANISED WEBINAR ON PRODUCTION LINKED INCENTIVE SCHEME (PLI) FOR TEXTILES

The Government of India under the leadership and guidance of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, announced the Product Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme by incorporating some of the major product lines of MMF fabrics, Technical Textiles and Apparels made out of MMF fabrics having global export potential.

In the Union Budget 2021-22, presented on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021, the finance minister announced an outlay of INR 1.97 Lakh Crores for the Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) Schemes for 13 key sectors including the MMF textiles segment, to create national manufacturing champions and generate employment opportunities for the country's youth. The minimum production in India as a result of PLI Schemes is expected to be over US\$ 500 billion in 5 years.



The Cabinet in the early of September has approved the PLI scheme for textiles with an outlay of Rs.10,683 crores for 5 years. The textile segments covered under the Scheme are MMF apparel, MMF fabrics and Technical textiles. The Government has formulated the PLI Scheme with the objective to creating global champions in MMF apparel, MMF fabrics and Technical Textiles and capturing substantial share in global trade in these segments.

To deliberate, have a thorough understanding about the PLI Scheme for textiles, its scope, opportunities of the Scheme, etc. the SRTEPC jointly with the Wazir Advisors Pvt. Ltd. organised a Webinar on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021 from 3.30 PM. The webinar was attended by around 100 participants who are the Member-companies of the Council and during the Webinar a detailed analysis of the PLI scheme on Textiles was given by Shri Prashant Agarwal, Joint Managing Director, Wazir Advisors Pvt. Ltd.

During his opening speech Shri Dhiraj R. Shah, Chairman informed that the webinar on PLI is very important current topic in the MMF textile segment. PLI Scheme for MMF textiles has been a milestone initiative for development and promotion of the MMF textiles segment. It is likely to attract more domestic as well as Foreign Direct investments in the MMF textiles segment that will further help in development and boost exports of MMF textiles from India. It will also help in improving efficiency, quality of our products and make our exports globally competitive, Shri Dhiraj R. Shah, Chairman informed.

Shri Prashant Agarwal, Joint Managing Director, Wazir Advisors Pvt. Ltd. explained on entire product lines including scheme segments and incentives, common conditions for the two parts of scheme, scheme duration, framework of the scheme implementation, etc. Participants were fully engaged during the presentation and also during the Q & A Session. All the questions and inquiries were replied and provided by the subject expert with hypothetical examples for better understanding of the issues. SRTEPC Chairman Shri Dhiraj R. Shah informed that based on the issues emerged in the webinar, the Council will send a consolidated representation to the Government for duly addressing the same.

After the Q & A Session, Committee Member and senior industry leader Shri Narendra Dalmia proposed the vote of thanks. He thanked Shri Dhiraj R. Shah, Chairman, SRTEPC for organising webinars to deliberate on the important issues pertaining to the MMF textile industry such as Government Schemes, exports and global trade, potential products, banking/ forex, GST/ taxation issues, etc. which have been benefitting the members immensely. He also thanked Shri Prashant Agarwal, Joint Managing Director, Wazir Advisors Pvt. Ltd. for giving an informative presentation on the PLI and related issues clarifying the doubts and replying to the queries of the participants.

Virtual Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Jt. Secretary, Dept of Commerce to analyze the export trend of the Textile sector

A virtual meeting to analyze the export trend of the Textile sector for the period of April-September 2021 and discuss the strategy to achieve the textiles exports target, was convened on 14.10.2021 at 11:30 AM under the chairmanship of Shri Amitabh Kumar, Joint Secretary (EP-Textiles Division), Department of Commerce.

The export target set by the Government for MMF textiles during the 2021-22 is US\$ 6139 million and during April-September 2021 around 50% of the export target has been achieved, according to the latest data released by DGCI&S. However, in some of the major markets such as Bangladesh, Turkey, UAE, etc. exports are not doing well and this is a very serious concern.

In this regard, the Department of Commerce was seeking views/inputs from the exporters to highlight the market-wise specific difficulties being faced by them.



## Govt. approves setting up of 7 Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks

In order to realise the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi of building an Aatmanirbhar Bharat and to position India strongly on the Global Textiles map, the Government has approved the setting up of 7 PM MITRA parks as announced in Union Budget for 2021-22. In this regard, a Press Release dated 6th October, 2021 has been issued by the Ministry of textiles.

PM MITRA is inspired by the 5F vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister. The '5F' Formula encompasses - Farm to fibre; fibre to factory; factory to fashion; fashion to foreign. This integrated vision will help furthering the growth of textile sector in the economy. No other competing nation has a complete textile ecosystem like us. India is strong in all five Fs. The 7 Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel Parks (PM MITRA) will be setup at Greenfield / Brownfield sites located in different willing States.

#### The PM MITRA parks will have the following:

- 1) **Core Infrastructure**: Incubation Centre & Plug & Play facility, Developed Factory Sites, Roads, Power, Water and Waste Water system, Common Processing House & CETP and other related facilities eg. Design Centre, Testing Centres etc.
- 2) **Support Infrastructure:** Workers' hostels & housing, logistics park, warehousing, medical, training & skill development facilities For detailed information, members may kindly refer to Press Release dated 6th October, 2021.

 $\textbf{SRTEPC} \ appliauds \ Government's \ approval \ to \ \textbf{set} \ \textbf{up PM Mitra Parks} \ \textbf{as another milestone development in the Textile Industry}.$ 

Members may kindly make a note of the above.

#### ECLGS' scope expanded and scheme extended till 31.03.2022

The Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) since its launch, has extended relief to over 1.15 crore Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and businesses. It has provided support to eligible borrowers in meeting their operational liabilities and restarting their businesses in the wake of disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Government has been receiving demands from various Industry bodies and other stakeholders to extend the scheme to ensure continued support to eligible sectors/businesses.

With a view to support various businesses impacted by the second wave of COVID 19 pandemic, it has been decided to extend the timeline of Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) till 31.03.2022 or till guarantees for an amount of Rs 4.5 lakh crore are issued under the scheme, whichever is earlier. Further, the last date of disbursement under the scheme has also been extended to 30th June, 2022. In this regard, Ministry of Finance has issued a Press Release dated 29th September, 2021.

Following modifications have been made in the scheme to enable support to businesses impacted by the second wave of COVID-

- Existing borrowers under ECLGS 1.0 & 2.0 would be eligible for additional credit support of upto 10% of total credit outstanding as on 29.02.2020 or 31.03.2021, whichever is higher.
- ii. Businesses who have not availed assistance under ECLGS (ECLGS 1.0 or 2.0), can avail credit support of upto 30% of their credit outstanding as on 31.03.2021.
- iii. Businesses in sectors specified under ECLGS 3.0, who have previously not availed ECLGS, can avail credit support up to 40% of their credit outstanding as on 31.03.2021, to the maximum of Rs.200 crore per borrower;
- iv. Incremental credit can be availed within these limits by existing ECLGS borrowers whose eligibility increased because of change in cut off date to 31.03.2021 from 29.02.2020.
- v. Accordingly, Borrowers who have availed assistance under ECLGS and whose credit outstanding as on 31.03.2021 (excluding support under ECLGS) is higher than that on 29.02.2020 shall be eligible for incremental support within the cap stipulated under ECLGS 1.0,2.0 or 3.0.

For more details, members may kindly refer to Press Release dated 29th September, 2021.



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