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VISIT OF TRADE ADVISOR, MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AT SURAT ON JUNE 2022





A Meeting was organized by SRTEPC with Ms. Shubhra, Trade Advisor, MoT, who visited Surat on 6th & 7th June, 2022 to interact with members companies of Man-made Fibre Textiles in Surat to discuss about various export related issues and to consider grant of mandate to be given to SRTEPC for promotion of Technical Textiles. The meeting was attended by SRTEPC Chairman, Shri Dhiraj R. Shah, Vice Chairman, Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Past Chairman, Shri Sri Narain Aggarwal, Executive Director, Shri S. Balaraju and other member companies in Surat.

Smt. Shubhra along with Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman of the Council and Shri S.Balaraju, Executive Director, SRTEPC visited M/s. Dodhia Synthetics Ltd. and Alliance Fibres at Kim, Surat and learnt that the companies are manufacturing and exporting high quality value added Yarn and technical textiles from Pet-bottle waste. It was fortunate to see such innovative products in the textile industry and today India is in need of creating such innovations to take the textile industry to greater heights and enable us to achieve the export target for the year 2022-23.

SRTEPC Delegation led by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Past Chairman, Executive Director accompanied by Smt. Shubhra, Trade Advisor and other member companies visited M/s. Fairdeal Textile Park and seen the infrastructure which was overwhelming. Thereafter, the Delegation visited Units like Orbit Exports, Shahlon Silk Inds. Ltd., Kusumgar Corporates and the Centre of Excellence. A meeting was held with the members of the units in the Park and issues of PLI, export related work, PM Mitra Park, etc. were discussed. The meeting was guite fruitful and we hoped that the Trade Advisor will support the Council in its endeavour of promoting MMF textile exports.









MEETING ON TECHNICAL TEXTILES AND CHALLENGES & STRATEGY FOR EXPORTS

A Meeting was organized with Trade Advisor, Ministry of Textiles on Technical Textiles and challenges & strategy for exports on 27th May, 2022 at Texprocil. The meeting was attended by Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice-Chairman & Shri K. Baruah, Additional Director, SRTEPC.





During the meeting, SRTEPC Vice Chairman, brought up some suggestions and informed the Trade Advisor that SRTEPC target of exports would be USD15bn. out of the government's export target of USD100 bn.of Textile & Clothing by 2030. He mentioned that the investment in setting up of process houses with state of art technology is to be encouraged by the Government and its support for this initiative under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode is very much required and also EPCG Scheme needs to be continued. Some anomalies regarding RoDTEP rates, and to Cover MMF fabrics and Flexible Intermediary Bulk Containers under RoSCTL may be addressed suitably. There exists inverted duty structure in the MMF textile segment, under GST regime, with 18% on fibre, 12% on Yarn and 5% on fabrics because of which ITC accumulation is huge which are neither refunded nor useable and this query needs to be rectified. Lastly, it is suggested that SRTEPC should be mandated with Technical Textiles as more than 100 members are from this segment and 90% of the fibre used in technical textiles is MMF.

COA Meeting of the Council held on 3rd June, 2022 at Mumbai

532nd COA Meeting of the Council was held on 3rd June, 2022 under the Chairmanship of Shri Bhadresh Dodhia, Vice Chairman at its Head Office in Mumbai. Some of the important Agenda discussed during the meeting were:

- * Review of the Indian MMF textiles Export Performance and strategies to increase exports.
- * Review of "Source India Surat" held during March 2022 and planning for "Source India 2023" towards the end of this year
- Mandate of Technical Textiles to SRTEPC
- * Activities of the Council during March to May 2022
- * Updates on Participation of the Council in Istanbul Yarn Fair 2022, etc.

During the Meeting special deliberations were also made in the wake of China plus one, Sri Lankan economic crisis and how India can grab opportunities in the Manmade fibre textiles, etc under the leadership of Chairman. The Members were urged to send inputs on these issues to the Council, so as to submit a consolidated Memorandum to the Government.





Meeting With Stakeholders For Discussing Structure of New Scheme to Replace ATUFS for Technology Upgradation

An Online meeting with stakeholders for discussing structure of New Scheme to replace ATUFS for Technology Upgradation was held on 24th May, 2022. The meeting was chaired by the Textile Commissioner, Smt. Roop Rashi, IA&AS and was attended by SRTEPC Chairman, Shri Dhiraj R. Shah, Executive Director, Shri S.Balaraju and Additional Director, Shri Kripabar Baruah. During the proceedings of the meeting, it was suggested to include the Manmade fibres, recycled fibres and to focus on processing segment & MSME Sector in the Scheme







INTERACTIVE MEETING HELD WITH SECRETARY (TEXTILES) AT MUMBAI.

An Interactive meeting was held on 28th May, 2022 at Hotel Trident, Mumbai with Upendra Prasad Singh, Secretary (Textiles), Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India. The meeting was attended by Shri Sailesh Goenka, COA Member and Shri K Baruah, Additional Director. During the meeting the Secretary informed about the activities of the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) and the gap between the curriculum and industry. Shri Goenka spoke about recycled fibres

and sustainable textiles having huge global opportunity. He also further asserted that Government should support the manufactuers/exporters by putting in place word class processing units and all the environmental issues relating to processing. Shri Goenka informed that due to the strict environmental compliances and restrictions many of the processing units have to close down. Therefore, he suggested that Government needs to help the processing segment which is the weakest link in the textile industry with policy support.

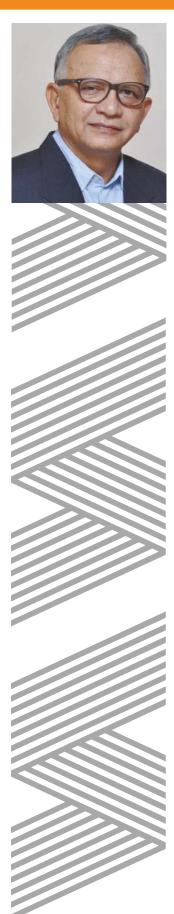


The Secretary (Textiles) said that he would look into the matter.









I am glad to inform you that the exports have witnessed excellent growth. During 2021-22 exports amounted to US\$6774 million as compared to US\$4645 million in 2020-21, showing a growth of 46%. The hard work done by the Industry and the concerned effort and coordination made by the Council has borne encouraging results. I am confident that exports in the coming year will be much better than the previous year as the global economy is getting into normalization and consumer confidence is increasing.

I am happy to mention that the Council is in continued touch with the Ministry of Textiles to consider grant of mandate to be given to SRTEPC for promotion of Technical Textiles as 90% of fibre used in it is of MMF. I am also happy to inform that the Ministry of Textiles in its website clearly mentions that Technical textiles are one of the products falling under SRTEPC for promotion of its exports. Accordingly, Council has been promoting exports of Technical textiles also since long ago. You may be aware that many of our member exporters are already manufacturing and exporting Technical textiles to various markets globally.

The Heimtextil Trade Fair which was postponed in January 2022 is now being held from June 21-24, 2022 at Frankfurt, Germany coinciding with Techtextil and Texprocess. The Council is participating first time in this Trade Fair and we are hopeful that our participants return with good sizeable business and contacts with leading buyers. In connection with Council's participation to Heimtextil Trade Fair, Germany, a High Level Delegation under the leadership of Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh, Union Minister of State for Textiles and Shri U. P. Singh, Secretary Textiles is visiting Germany and meetings are being organized with Ministry Officials and buyers so that trade between India and Germany will continue to grow in leaps and bounds.

I take this opportunity to thank DGFT and its Regional Authority in Mumbai for providing support to the members of Trade. The timely relaxations given under various schemes/procedures, submission of Bill of Export made to SEZ units under Advance Authorisation and Amendments made in EPCG Scheme to reduce compliance burden and enhance 'Ease of doing Business' is commendable. The time limit to file returns for 2022-23 is extended till 30th September, 2022. Hence members are requested to kindly do the needful at the earliest.

Friends, consequent to Finance Act, 2022, certain changes in the Customs Tariff Schedule has taken effect from 01.05.2022 including a new RoDTEP schedule (Appendix 4R) was notified for implementation and is available at the DGFT portal www.dgft.gov.in under the link 'Regulatory Updates > RoDTEP'.

While filing of GST returns, due to insufficient information most of the refund claims of our members were held and with the help of a manned interface placed at Customs Dept. many problems were resolved and the long pending refunds claims have now been cleared. I thank the officials at O/o Directorate General of Goods & Service Tax and Delhi Customs for resolving the issues faced by our members and, request for their continued support in the future.

I would like to mention that some Courier Companies were creating problems for our members on clearance of inward courier of textile samples having No-Commercial value and the parcels were stuck at the Customs for a long time. The Council took up the matter with Delhi Customs and due to their intervention the matter is finally resolved.

I may also like to inform that the recently concluded India-UAE CEPA offers Zero duty market access to Indian Man-made fibre textile exports in the UAE. However, since it was implemented recently from 1st May, 2022, the exporters were not familiar with the documentation and other necessary formalities and hence it created temporary challenges to the exporters. However, after the co-ordination and follow-ups made by this Council with various Departments in the Department of Commerce, the Indian Consul General in Dubai, etc., our companies are now able to avail the duty-free benefits while exporting to UAE.

SRTEPC looks forward to assist its members on any issues relating to your queries and hence you may contact us on srtepc@srtepc.in.

Yours sincerely.

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Renewal of Council's Membership for the year 2022-23

SOCIAL MEDIA

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 13

India's merchandise exports in the current fiscal year at \$475 billion, 14% higher than the pre financial year, also container availability has improved, & the freight cost has gone down by 10%-15%. @srtepc @Dhirubhaishah21 & @bhadreshmd thank @DoC_Gol for the affirmative growth

SRTEPC @srtepc - May 23

The government is eyeing the second edition of production linked incentive (PLI) scheme for textiles and has begun consultations with the industry. #Srtepc @Dhirubhaishah21 & @bhadreshmd thanks @TexMinIndia for the #PLIScheme which will aim to take over good market share through

SRTEPC @srtepc - May 30

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The US surpasses China to become India's top trading partner in 2021-22, reflecting strengthening economic ties between the two countries. The bilateral trade between the India & US stood at USD 119.42 bn as against USD 80.51 bn in 2020-21. After a historical achievement

SRTEPC @srtepc - May 24

PM @narendramodi interacted with Mr. Tadashi Yanai, Chairman, President about Uniqlo's growing presence in India and investment opportunities for textile manufacturing under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme and CEO of @UNIQLO JP. Mr. Yanai appreciated the entrepreneurial

SRTEPC @srtepc - May 25

The country's exports rose by 21.1% to \$23.7 billion during May 1-21, on account of healthy growth in various sectors like textiles. @srtepc @Dhirubhaishah21 and @bhadreshmd thank Shri @narendramodi @PiyushGoyal for his visionary leadership

SRTEPC @srtepc - May 24 #SRTEPC Chairman @Dhirubhaishah21, ED @Sbalaraju5 & Add. Director #KBaruah attended meetings with stakeholders for discussing structure of new scheme to replace ATUFS for Technology Upgradation. ED suggested to include the Manmade fibres, recycled fibres and focus on processing pic.twitter.com/8oA7sYY5Pu

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 3

The bilateral trade between India and Korea grew 40 per cent to USD 23.7 billion in 2021, according to Korea Trade-Investment Promotion Agency (KOTRA). In 2020, the value of bilateral trade between the two countries was at USD

SRTEPC @srtepc - 21h

The country's total merchandise exports are likely to be at USD 117.2 billion in the first quarter of FY23, according to India #EximBank. The rise in the country's exports could be attributed largely to the continued increase in global commodity prices, driven by supply shocks,

SRTEPC @srtepc - May 27

Meeting with Trade Advisor, @TexMinIndia on Technical
Textiles and challenges & strategy for exports. Shri @bhadreshmd, Vice-Chairman, Shri #KBaruah Additional Director, attending the Meeting. pic.twitter.com/pobZHo9rMQ

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 10

The 5th edition of the National Conclave on Standards for Technical Textiles jointly organised by MoT, BIS and @ficci india is going on at FICCI Federation House, New Delhi. Shri @UPSingh_Jal, Secretary, @TexMinIndia delivered Inaugural Address wherein he focused on the standards

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 1

India scaled its highest ever exports tally at US\$ 44.4 Bn in Textiles and Apparel (T&A) including Handicrafts in FY 2021-22, indicating a substantial increase of 41% and 26% over corresponding figures in FY 2020-21 and FY 2019-20, respectively.

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 14

Though the tariffs have been liberalized through FTAs, the NTBs including the technical barriers to trade and investment may be the key sticky points to be addressed by both India and UK under the proposed FTA that is targeted to be signed by Diwali this year.

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 2

As a result of continuous persuasion by @srtepc, the Indian national flag or Tricolour can now be made of polyester and with the help of machines, according to revised #FlagCodeofindia. #SRTEPC @Dhirubhaishah21 & @bhadreshmd are thankful for this initiative by @HMOIndia

SRTEPC @srlepc - Jun 8 Over 80 textile fabric manufacturers from Surat in Gujarat and other states will take part in the #GlobalTextileTradeFair organised by the @SGCCI Surat in Atlanta from June 9 to June 11. @srtepc @Dhirubhaishah21 and @bhadreshmd appreciated @SGCCI Surat for taking this initiative

SRTEPC @srtepc - Jun 4

#SRTEPC ED, @Sbalaraju5, visited Premium member's factory i.e M/S #DodhiaSynthetics, Silvassa, manufacturing & exporting high quality value added Yarn from Pet-bottle waste today & is fortunate to see such innovative products in textile industry. India needs such innovations! pic.twitter.com/U3bfHxjoBZ

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Govt weighs second edition of PLI scheme for textiles industry

The government is eyeing the second edition of productionlinked incentive (PLI) scheme for textiles and has begun consultations with the industry. Industry wants inclusion of knitted fabrics in the scheme, besides manmade fibre and technical textiles and a lower investment threshold of Rs 25 crore instead Rs 100 crore now. It also wants the government not to impose any condition to set up a new company for the purpose of investment. "This was the preliminary round of consultations and it is an evolving situation. Many ideas will come in and we will consider them," said an official, who did not wish to be identified. PLI 2.0 for the textile sector is being considered as the ministry has an unutilised budget of about Rs 4,000 crore after it approved 64 applications with an investment potential of Rs 19,798 crore and projected turnover of Rs 1.93 lakh crore in the next five years under the first phase of the scheme last month. "We have suggested an expansion of the list of items that are eligible for incentives under PLI such as home textile and made-ups," an industry representative who participated in the consultation held this week told ET on condition of anonymity.

A lower investment threshold is a key demand. In part-1 of the PLI schemes, the minimum investment required is Rs 300 crore and the minimum turnover required to be achieved for incentive is Rs 600 crore while in part-2, the minimum investment should be Rs 100 crores and the minimum turnover is Rs 200 crore. "They can't cover the same products with revised norms as that will not be fair," said another peRs on who attended the meeting, adding that the labour-intensive cut and sew segment is keen on incentives.

Source: The Economic Times

PM Modi invites Japan's Uniqlo to join India's bid to become textile hub

In his meeting with the CEO of Fast Retailing, the parent company of Uniqlo, Tadashi Yanai in Tokyo on Monday, 23rd June, 2022, Prime Minister Narendra Modi called upon him to join India's journey to become a manufacturing hub for textiles, particularly scaling up the use of technologies. While Yanai appreciated the entrepreneurial zeal of Indians, PM Modi discussed with him Uniqlo's growing presence in India and investment opportunities for textile manufacturing under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme. They also discussed various reforms being undertaken to improve ease of doing business for foreign investors in India, including in the areas of industrial development, infrastructure, taxation and labour, "the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said in a statement.

During the meeting, they discussed the rapidly growing textile and apparel market of India and investment opportunities under the PLI scheme for the textile sector in India. "Prime Minister invited Uniqlo's enhanced participation in India's journey to becoming a manufacturing hub for textiles, particularly the use of technologies in textile manufacturing. Prime Minister also invited Uniqlo to take part in the PM-Mitra scheme aimed at further strengthening the textiles sector," the ministry added.

Before this meeting, PM Modi also held talks with Dr. Nobuhiro Endo, Chairman, NEC Corporation. Prime Minister appreciated NEC's role in India's telecommunication sector, especially in undertaking Chennai-Andaman & Nicobar Islands (CANI) and Kochi-Lakshadweep Islands (KLI) OFC projects. They discussed various reforms being undertaken to enable ease of doing business in India including in areas of industrial development, taxation and labour, MEA said. They also discussed opportunities in India in new and emerging technologies.

The PM will have a bilateral meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida. PM Modi will also participate in the second in-person Quad Leaders' Summit, which will provide an opportunity for the leaders of the four Quad countries to review the progress of Quad initiatives. During the visit, PM will participate in a Business Event with Japanese business leaders and also address and interact with the Indian community in Japan.

Members sought on advisory panel for textile sector

The state government has invited 16 members from industrial associations to be part of the technical advisory committee for development of the textile and handloom industry. Minister for handlooms and textiles R Gandhi had announced a plan to form the Committee during the assembly session on April 28. Commissioner of textiles M Vallalar on May 20 invited members of associations including the Indian Cotton Federation, Confederation of Indian Textile Industry, Southern India Mills' Association, South India Hosiery Manufacturers Association and the Federation of Indian Export Organisation to be part of it. The committee will provide solutions to issues in spinning, ready-made garments, knitwear and technical textiles and work on developing the sector. It will be a permanent body with Chennai as the headquarters. The members of the committee will furnish inputs and recommendations to make Tamil Nadu first in the country in terms of textile production. It will hold a meeting once in two months or on an as-needed basis to discuss the matters concerning handlooms and textiles. "Since infrastructure support is missing for the garment in Tirupur, we can provide inputs regarding this to the government," said Raja M Shanmugham, president of Tiruppur Exporters' Association, who is named on the committee's members list. "A knitwear research institute should be set up in Tirupur, as there are several micro and small establishments. Only through representing such needs and issues, the full potential of the textile cluster can be economically realised." K Venkatachalam, chief advisor of Tamil Nadu Spinning Mills Association, said he is also ready to be on the committee. "The committee will look after policy suggestions for improvement of the textile industry. It can work on various aspects relating to the development of the sector. The meeting will be constituted only after committee is constituted," he said.

Source: The Times of India

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PC, poly spun yarn prices fall due to sluggish demand in India

Sluggish demand has dampened market sentiment in polyester-cotton yarn and spun yarn prices. 30 count recycled poly spun yarn dropped ₹20 to ₹155-160 per kg. Poly spun yarn and 30 PC combed (48/52) yarn also witnessed downfall of ₹2-5 per kg. According to the trade sources, extremely high prices of yarn discouraged buying from the entire textile value chain. A Ludhiana based trader said, "Consumers in the entire textile value chain are 'hand to mouth' and they are buying yarn in smaller quantity only for immediate need." Even demand has dried up for recycled spun yarn. Many varieties of yarn are being sold at lower prices. 30 count recycled poly spun yarn has seen steep fell. But high tenacity recycled fibre gained in last couple of days. Reliance Industries Limited has increased poly spun yarn by ₹2 to ₹125 per kg. Last week, upstream raw materials like PTA, MEG and MELT have seen price rise. This week, these raw materials were sold at previous prices. In Ludhiana market, 30 count PC combed yarn (48/52) was sold at ₹305-318 per kg (GST inclusive), 30 count PC carded yarn (65/35) was priced at ₹280-290 per kg. 20 count PC (recycled-O/E) PSF yarn (40/60) was traded at ₹210-215 per kg. 30 count poly spun yarn was sold at ₹185-200 and recycled 30 count poly spun yarn at ₹155-160 per kg. Acrylic NM (2/48) was priced at ₹320-330 per kg, while acrylic NM (2/32) was at ₹275-285 per kg. However, high tenacity recycled fibre gained ₹3 to ₹92-94 per kg. The price of PSF increased from ₹123 to ₹125 per kg. Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) has fixed prices of raw material as: PTA ₹95.80 per kg, MEG ₹61.50 per kg and MELT at ₹103.30 per kg. Indian cotton has come down from recent highs as global prices dragged down domestic price. Cotton prices are hovering at around ₹98,000-100,000 per candy of 356 kg.

Source: Fibre2Fashion News

Har Ghar Tiranga: National flag can now be machine-made, in polyester

The Indian national flag or Tricolour can now be made of polyester and with the help of machines, according to revised Flag Code of India. The Union government in December 2021 amended the flag code stating the national flag made of polyester or machine-made flags have been allowed. "Now, the National flag shall be made of hand-spun and hand-woven or machine-made, cotton/polyester/wool/silk khadi bunting," the notification of the amendment by the Ministry of Home Affairs said. Before this, only hand-woven and hand-spun flags made of cotton, silk, wool or Khadi were allowed. The hoisting, use and display of the flag is governed by the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971, and the Flag Code of India, 2002.

According to The Hindu report, the Karnataka Khadi Gramodyoga Samyukta Sangha, which runs the lone BIS-approved flag-making unit, wrote to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Amit Shah saying that the amendment will affect the whole of the khadi sector. The development has been made so that enough flags are available for government's Har Ghar Tiranga (tricolour at every door) programme that proposes to

cover government buildings, private offices and residences. Union Home Minister Amit Shah had announced the tricolour plan as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav campaign launched by the government in the run-up to the 75 years of Independence. The programme was launched on April 12 to encourage Indians to hoist the national flag at their homes. "The idea behind this initiative is to invoke the feeling of patriotism in the hearts of citizens and promote awareness about our national flag," the culture ministry in a letter to government departments said on May 20. On May 13, the Cabinet Secretary had chaired a meeting of a committee of secretaries on Har Ghar Tiranga, where it was decided that employees and families of ministries, departments, public sector undertakings, self-help groups, civil society organisations should have "active participation" in the programme.

Source: Business Standard

Messe Frankfurt's trade fairs provide Indian industries a strong business boost

The Indian subsidiary of the leading German trade fairs organizer - Messe Frankfurt India made a spectacular comeback in Mumbai, this May. Supporting the resurgence of a covid-dented economy, Messe Frankfurt India hosted a series of live exhibitions in the financial capital across diverse industry verticals. Introducing market-leading innovations by over 600 companies, Messe Frankfurt India's trade shows attracted over 50.000 visitors across 28 Indian states and union territories locally and from 57 countries across 6 continents internationally. Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Textiles and Railways, Smt. Darshana Jardosh inaugurated the Messe Frankfurt India's launch of GartexTexprocess India, Denim Show, alongside Screen Print India for the first time in Mumbai. Following this, Hon'ble Minister of Textile, Fisheries and Port Development, Government of Maharashtra, Shri Aslam Shaikh inaugurated the trade fair trio of Paperworld India, Corporate Gifts Show, and Interior Lifestyle India presented by Ambiente India. The series of 8 back-to-back mega trade fairs also included Media Expo and LED Expo. While recalling the contagious energy and business enthusiasm among trade visitors, Mr. Stephan Buurma, Member of the Board of Management, Messe Frankfurt Group said, "The industries are back in action, and there is a high level of commitment to strengthen domestic collaborations and bolster supply chains. Mr Raj Manek, Executive Director, and Board Member, Messe Frankfurt Asia Holdings Ltd. said, "While aiming for diverse industry verticals such as textiles, printing, signage, advertising, stationery, corporate gifting, and homeware among others, the b2b platforms organized by Messe Frankfurt India facilitated the exchange of the latest sector developments, business, technological breakthroughs, and industry collaborations." Adding further, he confirmed that Messe Frankfurt India is looking forward to hosting its second season of mega exhibitions in Delhi and Mumbai in August 2022.

Source: The Hindustan Times

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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Notification No. 12/2015-20	01.06.2022	Alignment of Appendix 4R with Finance Act, 2022 w.e.f. 1.5.2022	New RoDTEP Schedule (Appendix 4R) notified after aligning with the Customs Tariff Schedule as per Finance Act, 2022 w.e.f. 1.5.2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2p8pnxrm
2)	Public Notice No. 13/2015-20	09.06.2022	Amendments in Chp. 5 of HBP 2015-20 (EPCG Sche- me) to reduce Compliance Burden & enhance Ease of doing Business	Last date is extended for filing of annual returns under Para 5.15 of HBP 2015-20 and also, penalty of Rs. 5,000/- shall be imposed for late filing of annual returns from 2022-23.	https://tinyurl.com/ y9sfj7ah
3)	Public Notice No. 12/2015-20	09.06.2022	Enlistment of PSIA under Para 2.55 of HBP 2015-20	Two agencies are notified as PSIAs along with their approved equipments.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2cu2pavr
4)	Public Notice No. 11/2015-20	07.06.2022	Amendments in Para 2 (b)(i) of 'Guidelines For Applicants' under ANF-4F of HBP 2015-20	Guidelines For Applicants' procedure and reduce the compliance 2	
5)	Policy Circular No. 39/2015-20	07.06.2022	Relaxation in provision of submission of 'Bill of Export' as an evidence of export obligation discharge for supplies made to SEZ units under AA	DGFT has decided to relax the condition of requirement of submission of 'Bill of Export' in exports made to SEZ units under Advance Authorization for supplies made prior to 1st April, 2015.	https://tinyurl.com/ yc47yk6m
6)	Trade Notice No. 12/2022-23	30.05.2022	Uploading of e-BRC by 15.07.2022 for S/Bills on which RoSCTL scrip has been availed from DGFT RAs	e-BRCs must be uploaded in the DGFT server by the Authorised Dealer banks latest by 15.07.2022.	

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1)	Notification No. 25/2022-Cus. (T)	21.05.2022	CBIC amends Notification No. 18/2019-Cus. to reduce Road and Infratructure Cess (RIC) on Petrol and Diesel	This notification is effective from 22nd May, 2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ mujaxxbt
2)	Notification No. 49/2022–Cus. (NT)	02.06.2022	Exchange rate Notification	Notifies Rate of Exchange of Foreign Currencies w.e.f. 03.06.2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ 4uj8nnpp
3)	Notification No. 45/2022–Cus. (NT)	24.05.2022	Amendment in Notification No. 12/97-Customs (N.T.) dtd. 2nd April, 1997	Unloading of imported goods and loading of export goods shall take place in Village Kheda, Pithampur (M.P.)	https://tinyurl.com/ yx9euj4n
4)	Notification No. 44/2022 - Cus. (NT)	20.05.2022	Customs Tariff (Determination of Origin of Goods under CEPA between Republic of India and Japan) Amendment Rules, 2022	These rules may be called the Customs Tariff (Determination of Origin of Goods under the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement between the Republic of India and Japan) Amendment Rules, 2022.	<u>k9rcs63</u>
5)	Notification No. 43/2022-Cus.(NT)		Exchange rate Notification	Notifies Rate of Exchange of Foreign Currencies w.e.f. 20.05.2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2p8vcwht

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6)	Notification No. 42/2022-Cus.(NT)	18.05.2022	Exchange rate Notification	Notifies Rate of Exchange of Foreign Currencies w.e.f. 19.05.2022.	https://tinyurl.com/ /449nffua
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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Public Notice No. 17/2022	25.05.2022	Scroll returned by SBI due to wrong/ insufficient particulars of exporters	Some Drawback (EDI) scrolls have been returned by SBI, International ACC Branch, Sahar (Mumbai) since accounts have either been closed or for other discrepancies.	https://tinyurl.com/ yrfbw3jh
2)	Public Notice No. 15/2022	13.05.2022	Scroll returned by SBI due to wrong/ insufficient particulars of exporters	Details of Scroll Number and S/Bills must be informed to Drawback (EDI) Section so that action to credit the amount in the exporter's bank account can be initiated.	https://tinyurl.com/ 4vxaz9zy
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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Public Notice No. 05/2022-23	_	Changes introduced vide Finance Act 2022 in Customs Tariff w.e.f. 01.05.2022	W.e.f. 1.5.2022, declaration in documents must be filed with new/ valid CTHs only, excluding Ex-Bond Bills of Entry.	https://tinyurl.com/ 5N7c6h3t
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1)	F.No. 12(7)/28th TAMC/ATUFS/ 2022/TUFS/179	27.05.2022	Minutes of 28th TAMC Meeting under ATUFS and Previous version of TUFS	Minutes of 28th TAMC Meeting under ATUFS and Previous version of TUFS held on 21st April, 2022 at 2.30 p.m. are given.	https://tinyurl.com/ 2p8nsxax
2)	F.No. 12(7)/27th TAMC/ATUFS/ 2022/TUFS/173	27.05.2022	Minutes of 27th TAMC Meeting under ATUFS and Previous version of TUFS	Minutes of 27th TAMC Meeting under ATUFS and Previous version of TUFS held on 13th April, 2022 at 2.30 p.m. are given.	https://tinyurl.com/ 4rwb9c44
3)	F.No. TS-16021/ 2/2021-TUFS Section- Part (2)	23.05.2022	Minutes of 6th IMSC Meeting under ATUFS	Minutes of 6th IMSC Meeting under ATUFS and Previous version of TUFS held on 28.04.2022 at 3.00 p.m. are given.	https://tinyurl.com/ 55pda3yn
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S.No.	Heading No.	Date	Subject	Description	Download the Link
1)	Notification No. RBI/2022-23/60	31.05.2022	Interest Equalization Scheme (IES) on Pre and Post Shipment Rupee Export Credit – Extension	Banks shall obtain a Self-Declaration under IES from exporters as per the format given in the Annexure to this Notification.	https://tinyurl.com/ 3c4jx9p5
2)	Notification No. RBI/2022-23/52	19.05.2022	New Definition of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises - Clarification	Amendments notified in sub para (3), para (7) of Notification of MSME No. S.O.2119 (E) dtd. 26.06.2020 published in the Gazette of India.	https://tinyurl.com/ 49fhmp7r

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GST RELATED NOTIFICATIONS / CIRCULARS

CENTRAL TAX NOTIFICATIONS

(https://tinyurl.com/yc3rekky)

Notificaton No. & Date	Subject
07/2022-Central Tax dt. 26.05.2022	Seeks to waive off late fee under section 47 for the period from 01.05.2022 till 30.06.2022 for delay in filing FORM GSTR-4 for FY 2021-22.
06/2022-Central Tax dt. 17.05.2022	Seeks to extend the due date of payment of tax, in FORM GST PMT-06 for the month of April, 2022 by taxpayers who are under QRMP scheme.
05/2022-Central Tax dt. 17.05.2022	Seeks to extend the due date of filing FORM GSTR-3B for the month of April, 2022

PRESS RELEASES

Name of Ministry	Date	Subject
Ministry of Textiles	10.06.2022	Over 300 representatives participated in 5th National Conclave on Standards for Technical Textiles, Building Standards for India@2047.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	09.06.2022	Success Story: MSME paved the road to success for women entrepreneurs.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	07.06.2022	years: Shri Piyush Goyal.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	04.06.2022	New Initiatives by GeM to promote sustainable public procurement of products and services.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	02.06.2022	India's merchandise export rises 15.46% to USD 37.3 billion in May, 2022 as compared to USD 32.30 billion in May 2021, recording highest ever exports in May 2022.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	02.06.2022	New Guidelines for Central Sector Scheme "Promotion of MSMEs in North Eastern Region and Sikkim" for enhancing productivity and competitiveness.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	01.06.2022	Cabinet approves Expanding the mandate of Government e Marketplace -Special Purpose Vehicle (GeM-SPV) to allow procurement by Cooperatives as Buyers.
Ministry of Finance	01.06.2022	₹ 1,40,885 crore gross GST Revenue collection for May 2022; increase of 44% year-on-year.
Ministry of Testiles	31.05.2022	India's Textiles Exports highest ever in FY 2021-22, Cross US\$ 44 Bn.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	27.05.2022	Minister of State for Commerce & Industry Smt. Anupriya Patel launches Indian Business Portal - e-commerce marketplace.
Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	27.05.2022	New Guidelines of Micro & Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP) approved.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	25.05.2022	India projects itself as a reliable partner, stable economy and an attractive investment destination at World Economic Forum @Davos.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	24.05.2022	Shri Piyush Goyal asks Indian industry to procure locally wherever there is an opportunity so that domestic supply chains become stronger and more resilient.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	20.05.2022	India gets the highest annual FDI inflow of USD 83.57 billion in FY21-22.
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	19.05.2022	GeM and SEWA ink MoU to enable engagement of last-mile women-led enterprises as sellers and service providers on GeM.

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The Concept of e-Invoice

A brief history

E-invoicing is not a new concept. The first electronic invoices were sent over 25 years ago using Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). Since then, e-invoicing has continued to develop at a slow but steady pace. In the last few years, a new wave of interest has emerged among corporate accounting organisations and large financial institutions.

Elsewhere in the world, governments have been slower to embrace e-invoicing but every country has developed its own set of regulations covering invoicing and e-invoicing. This has created the most complex area for any organisation that trades internationally and wishes to adopt e-invoicing.

Q1. What is e-invoicing under GST?

Ans:

- (a) E-invoicing (electronic invoicing) is a system in which B2B invoices are created by notified registered persons on their own accounting / billing / ERP Systems which are later authenticated electronically by GSTN for further use on the common GST Portal.
- (b) On reporting, Invoice Registration Portal (IRP), managed by the GST Network (GSTN) returns every signed e-invoice with a unique Invoice Reference Number (IRN) and a QR Code to the seller. The seller shall issue e-invoice (with IRN & QR Code) to the Buyer. The National Informatics Centre (NIC) launched the first IRP at https://einvoice1.gst.gov.in/.
- (c) All invoice information will be transferred from IRP portal to the GST portal as well as e-way bill portal. This will eliminate the need for manual data entry while filing GSTR-1 returns and generation of Part-A of e-Way Bills, as the information is passed directly by the IRP to the GST portal.
- (d) To streamline the invoicing system in GST, CBIC has introduced this system making it mandatory for taxpayers in phases.



Q2. For which businesses, e-invoicing is mandatory?

Ans:

- (a) E-invoicing is mandatory for taxpayers whose aggregate turnover (based on PAN) is more than the prescribed limit in any preceding F.Y. from 2017-18 onwards.
- (b) E-invoicing was introduced on 1st October, 2020 in phases as follows:

Phase	Applicable to taxpayers having an aggregate turnover of more than (Rs.)	W.e.f	Notification No. (Central Tax)
I	Exceeding Rs. 500 Crores	01.10.2020	61/2020 dtd. 30.07.2020
II	Exceeding Rs. 100 Crores	01.01.2021	88/2020 dtd. 10.11.2020
III	Exceeding Rs. 50 Crores	01.04.2021	05/2021 dtd. 08.03.2021
IV	Exceeding Rs. 20 Crores	01.04.2022	01/2022 dtd. 24.02.2022



Q3. What are the legal provisions governing e-invoice?

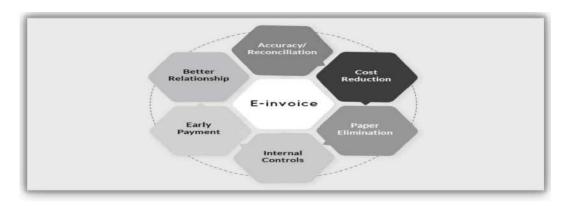
Ans: Following notifications provide the legal basis for e-invoice:

Sr. No.	Notification No. (CT) & Dt.	Sr. No.	Notification No. (CT) & Dt.
1)	68/2019 dt. 13.12.2019	8)	70/2020 dt. 30.09.2020
2)	69/2019 dt. 13.12.2019	9)	72/2020 dt. 30.09.2020
3)	70/2019 dt. 13.12.2019	10)	73/2020 dt. 01.10.2020
4)	2 of 2020 dt. 01.01.2020	11)	88/2020 dt. 10.11.2020
5)	13 of 2020 dt. 21.03.2020 (in supersession of 70/2019 Dt. 13.12.2019)	12)	05/2021 dt. 08.03.2021
6)	60/2020 dt. 30.07.2020	13)	23/2021 dt. 01.06.2021
7)	61/2020 dt. 30.07.2020	14)	01/2022 dt. 24.02.2022

Q4. What are the advantages of e-invoice for businesses?

E-invoice has many advantages for businesses such as: Ans:

- Smooth ITC reconciliation by Auto-reporting of invoices into GST return.
- Simultaneous generation of e-way Bill.
- Utmost reliability (no need to doubt the genuineness- eliminates fake invoices).
- Elimination of reconciliation problems.
- Standardisation & eliminates data entry errors.
- Documents become tax compliant on real time basis.
- Reduction of processing costs.
- Improve payment cycles.
- Improves overall business efficiency and ensures Ease of doing business.



Q5. What businesses need to do for keeping e-invoices ready?

Businesses will continue to issue invoices as they are doing now. Ans: (a)

Necessary changes on account of e-invoicing requirement will be made by ERP/Accounting/Billing Software (b) providers in their respective software. They need to get the updated version having this facility.



Q6. Can we have Multiple User Creation and Administrator Option for Multiple Staff?

Ans:

- (a) National Informatics Centre (NIC) has released beta version of 'NIC-GST e-invoice Preparing and Printing' (NIC-GePP) excel based Tool to assist taxpayers who are not having ERP solution to enter invoice in web-based form and print e-invoice with QR Code, after downloading IRN from e-invoice portal.
- (b) In this, main user can create sub-user accounts with respective user's mobile number mapped to it and use with GePP-Online, GePP-Offline and Bulk Generation Tool.

Q7. Will businesses now be required to generate e-invoices on GST portal or E-invoice portal or IRN portal?

Ans:

- (a) Registered persons must generate IRN & QR Code by posting specified information in GST INV-01 on IRP.
- (b) They will continue to generate e-invoices on their internal systems through ERP/accounting/billing systems or any other application.

e-Invoice: Applicability

Q8. What documents are presently covered under e-invoicing?

Ans:

(a) Invoices, (b) Credit Notes (CDN) & (c) Debit Notes (DBN)

- When issued by registered persons to another registered recipient of goods/services (B2B) or for exports are currently covered under this system.
- Credit & Debit notes are also covered for ease of reference and understanding, the system is referred as 'e-invoicing'.
- Bill of supply is not covered under e-invoice system.

Q9. Is an invoice/CDN/DBN (required to be reported to IRP by notified person), valid without IRN?

Ans:

- (a) A notified person shall prepare invoice by uploading specified particulars in Form GST INV-01 on IRP and after obtaining IRN and QR Code.
- (b) Any invoice issued by a notified person in any manner other than the manner specified in Rule 48(4), the same shall not be treated as an invoice.
- (c) Hence, an invoice/CDN/DBN issued by notified person becomes legally valid only with an IRN (QR-code having an embedded IRN).

Q10. What supplies are presently covered under e-invoice?

Ans: Following supplies are presently covered under e-invoice:

- (a) Supplies to registered persons (B2B),
- (b) Supplies to SEZs (with/without payment),
- (c) Exports (with/without payment),
- (d) Deemed Exports by notified class of taxpayers.

Q11. Can B2C (Business to Consumer) supplies also be reported by notified persons?

Ans: No. Reporting B2C invoices by notified persons is not allowed.

Q12. Is e-invoicing applicable for NIL-rated or wholly-exempt supplies?

Ans:

- (a) No. For supplies attracting NIL-rate or wholly-exempt, a "Bill of Supply" is prescribed but not a Tax Invoice. So, e-Invoice is not mandatory even if such supplies are by registered person.
- (b) e-Invoice is mandatory for Invoice-cum-Bill of Supply issued under Rule 46A for supply of taxable as well as exempted goods/services or both to a registered person.



Q13. Whether the financial/commercial credit notes also need to be reported to IRP?

Ans: No. Only Credit and Debit notes issued under Sec.34 shall be reported on IRP and are issued with IRN/QR Code.

Q14. Whether e-invoicing is applicable for supplies by notified persons to Govt. Dept./entity?

Ans: (a) E-invoicing is not required if the Govt. Dept./entity does not have any GST registration.

(b) Govt. Dept./ entity having a GSTIN (as entity supplying goods/ services/deducting TDS), the same needs to be mentioned as recipient GSTIN in e-invoice.

Q15. Whether e-invoicing is applicable for invoices between two different GSTINs under same PAN?

Ans: (a) Yes. E-invoicing is applicable for invoices between two different GSTINs under same PAN.

- (b) E-invoicing by notified persons is mandated for supplies of goods/services or both to any registered person, including a registered person with same PAN.
- (c) As per Sec. 25(4), "A person who has obtained or is required to obtain more than one registration, whether in one State/Union Territory or more than one State/Union Territory shall in respect of each such registration, be treated as distinct persons for the purpose of this Act".

Q16. Whether e-invoicing is applicable for high sea sales and bonded warehouse sales?

Ans: No. These transactions are not supply of goods/services as per Schedule III of CGST Act, 2017.

Q17. Whether e-invoice is applicable for import transactions?

Ans: E-invoice is not applicable for import transactions.

Q18. E-invoicing is not applicable/exempt for which entities/sectors?

Ans: E-Invoice is not applicable to supplies made by the following registered persons:

- Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Units.
- Insurers.
- Banking companies/Financial institutions including Non-Banking Financial Company.
- Goods Transport Agency (GTA) supplying services in relation to transportation of goods by road in a goods carriage.
- Suppliers of passenger transportation service.
- Suppliers of services by way of admission to exhibition of cinematograph films in multiplex screens.
- Persons registered in terms of Rule 14 of CGST Rules, 2017,
- Online Information Data base and Retrieval Services (OIDAR).
- Government dept. and local authority.

Q19. Exemption from e-invoicing is w.r.t nature of supply/transaction or w.r.t the entity?

Ans: Exemption from e-invoicing is with respect to the entity.

Q20. Do SEZ Developers need to issue e-invoices?

Ans: (a) Yes. SEZ Developers must issue e-invoices if they have the specified turnover and are fulfilling other conditions of the notification.

(b) Only SEZ Units are exempted from issuing e-invoices.

Q21. Are Free Trade & Warehousing Zones (FTWZ) exempt from e-invoicing?

Ans: Yes. FTWZ entities are exempted from e-invoice, like any other SEZ Units

Q22. Is e-invoicing applicable for supplies by notified persons to SEZs?

Ans: Yes. E-invoicing is applicable for supplies by notified persons to SEZ developers/units.

Q23. What is the meaning of the aggregate turnover of supplies for e-Invoicing?

Ans: (a) For computation of the aggregate turnover, value of all taxable supplies including Exports Value, Exempted Supplies and Inter GSTIN Transfers, made under a single PAN based GSTIN are to be taken into consideration.

(b) Tax amount (CGST/SGST/UTGST/IGST/Cess) paid during any F.Y. is excludable.



- Q24. Whether value of inward supplies received by a registered person on which tax is liable to be paid under reverse charge mechanism is required to be included for computation of aggregate turnover for the purpose of e-Invoice?
- Ans: No. However, value of supplies of goods/services or both to another registered person on which recipient is liable for Tax payment shall be included for arriving at the aggregate turnover of the supplier.
- Q25. When the aggregate turnover crosses the prescribed threshold during current FY(2022-23), then from what date, supplier is supposed to start e-invoicing?
- Ans: If turnover exceeds the prescribed limit in the current F.Y., then e-invoicing would be mandatory w.e.f. beginning of next F.Y. (2023-24), assuming that the aggregate turnover of the registered person had not crossed the prescribed threshold of aggregate turnover during any of the previous financial years w.e.f. 2017-18.
- Q26. Regarding turnover threshold, e-invoice notification mentions 'aggregate turnover in any preceding F.Y. since 2017 -18'. Considering GST was implemented since 1.7.2017, how to reckon 'aggregate turnover' for the FY 2017-18?
- Ans: Aggregate Turnover must be calculated as per the definition under Sec. 2(6) of CGST Act, 2017. So, for F.Y. 2017-18, 'aggregate turnover' must be reckoned from 01.07.2017 till end of F.Y.
- Q27. There is a SEZ unit and a regular DTA unit under same legal entity (having same PAN). In one of the financial years since 2017-18, aggregate total turnover of the legal entity is more than notified limit (considering both GSTINs) but turnover of DTA unit is below notified limit. In this scenario, SEZ unit is exempt from e-invoicing, whether e-invoicing will be applicable to DTA Unit?
- Ans: Yes. It is applicable since the aggregate turnover of the legal entity in this case exceeds the notified limit.Requirement is based on 'aggregate turnover' on the common PAN.
- Q28. Is e-invoicing applicable to invoices issued by Input Service Distributor (ISD)?
- Ans: No. E-Invoicing is not applicable to invoices issued by ISD.
- Q29. Whether e-invoicing is applicable for supplies involving Reverse Charge?
- Ans: (a) E-invoicing is applicable if invoice issued by notified person is in respect of supplies made by him but attracting reverse charge under Section 9(3).
 - (b) e.g. Taxpayer (a Firm of Advocates having aggregate turnover in a F.Y. is more than Rs.20 Cr.) is supplying services to a company (who will be discharging tax liability as recipient under RCM), such invoices must be reported by the notified person to IRP.
 - (c) E-invoicing is not applicable where supplies are received by notified person from (I) an unregistered person [attracting reverse charge] or (ii) through import of services.

Q30. How to know a particular supplier is supposed to issue e-invoice?

- Ans: (a) On fulfilment of prescribed conditions, the obligation to issue e-invoice as per Rule 48(4) lies with concerned Taxpayer.
 - (b) Taxpayers who had crossed the prescribed turnover in a F.Y. from 2017-18 onwards have been enabled to report invoices to IRP.
 - (c) Status of enablement of a GSTIN can be searched on e-invoice portal: https://einvoice1.gst.gov.in/">https://einvoice1.gst.gov.in/ >> Search >> e-invoice status of taxpayer.
 - (d) This listing of GSTINs is based on the turnover of GSTR-3B as reported to GST System. It may contain exempt entities or those for whom e-invoicing is not applicable for some other reason.
 - (e) Enablement status on e-invoice portal doesn't mean that the taxpayer is supposed to do e-invoicing.
 - (f) If e-invoicing is not applicable to a taxpayer, they need not be concerned about the enablement status and may ignore it.
 - (g) Turnover slab of taxpayer can be ascertained through "Search Taxpayer"/ "Know Your Supplier" Sections on GST portal also.
 - (h) If registered person is required to prepare e-invoice but not enabled on the portal, he/she may request for enablement on portal: Registration >>> e-Invoice Enablement.



Q31. Where can I get the list of all taxpayers who are required to issue e-invoice?

Ans: (a) It is difficult to make precise list of taxpayers who are required to issue e-invoice as the fulfilment of conditions prescribed for e-invoicing is dynamic in nature. However, list of GSTINs which are eligible and/or generating IRNs is published on IRP and updated on periodic basis: (https://einvoice1.gst.gov.in/Others/GSTINsGeneratingIRN).

- (b) Concerned taxpayer must check the conditions and follow the law while the recipient shall confirm this fact with his suppliers as the list may contain the names of exempt entities but who might have been shown as enabled for e-invoice.
- Q32. I am a buyer. For some of my suppliers, status on IRP is shown as 'enabled for e-invoice' but my supplier says that they are exempt from e-invoicing or e-invoicing is not applicable for them (for some reason). Please clarify?
- Ans: (a) Enablement status on e-invoice portal doesn't mean that a taxpayer is legally obligated to subscribe for e-invoicing.
 - (b) It is mandatory to issue e-Invoice for taxpayers having the prescribed aggregate turnover (Rs. 20 Cr.) during any of the FY from 2017-18 except suppliers listed in the reply to Q. No: 18.
 - (c) Concerned taxpayers (both Buyers and Suppliers) must confirm fulfilment or otherwise of conditions as per notification/rules.
 - (d) Normal invoice issued, if any, by a notified taxpayer who is mandated to issue e-invoice would be invalid for all purposes including for availment of ITC [Rule 48(5)].
- Q33. What happens to invoices issued by Taxpayer whose Aggregate Annual Turnover is more than Rs.20 cr. but the same was not generated through e-invoicing portal and issued to the recipient after 01.04.2022?

Ans: Invoices of Taxpayers, not generated by e-Invoicing system despite having Aggregate Annual Turnover exceeding Rs. 20 Cr. during any of the preceding F.Y. w.e.f: 2017-18, shall not be treated as an invoice. Hence, recipient would not be eligible for ITC.

e-invoice - Reporting to Invoice Registration Portal (IRP)

Q34. What is an Invoice Registration Portal (IRP)?

Ans: (a) IRP is the website for uploading/reporting of invoices by the notified persons.

- (b) Vide Notification No. 69/2019-C.Tax dtd. 13.12.2019, 10 portals were notified for preparation of e-invoice in terms of Rule 48(4).
- (c) The first IRP is already active and can be accessed at: https://einvoice1.gst.gov.in/. More IRPs will be made available in due course.
- Q35. Is e-invoicing voluntary for the entities with aggregate turnover below the prescribed limit?

Ans: No. Registered persons having aggregate turnover exceeding Rs. 20 Cr. will be allowed to report invoices to IRP.

Q36. Is there any time window within which a registered person needs to report an invoice to IRP, i.e. Is there any validation to the effect that 'document date' (in the payload to IRP) has to be within a specified time window, for reporting to IRP/generation of IRN?

Ans: No. Such validation is kept on the portal.

- Q37. Whether Digital Signature of supplier is mandatory while uploading specified details in GST INV-01 on IRP? Whether hard copy of e-invoice issued by due process with QR Code embedded with IRN is required to be physically signed by supplier/authorized signatory?
- Ans: (a) No. It is not mandatory for the notified taxpayer to append digital signature while uploading specified details in GST INV-01 on IRP.
 - (b) There is no need for physical signature of the supplier or his authorized signatory on hard copy of e-Invoice issued by due process by incorporating QR code embedded with IRN, as per 5th proviso to Rule 46.



Q38. Can e-commerce operators generate e-invoices on behalf of the sellers on their platforms?

Ans: Yes. E-Commerce operators can generate e-invoices on behalf of sellers on their platforms if suppliers, selling through e-Commerce entity are otherwise notified persons and are supposed to report invoices under Rule 48(4).

Q39. Whether any tool is provided to report invoices to IRP?

Ans: Yes. Entities not having their own ERP/Software solutions can use Free Offline Utility (Bulk Generation Tool) downloadable from e-invoice portal. Through this, invoice data can be easily reported to IRP and obtain IRN/signed e-invoice.

Q40. What are various modes for generation of e-invoice?

Ans: Multiple modes are available so that taxpayer can use the best mode to generate IRN:

- (a) API-based,
- (b) Offline Utility (freely downloadable from IRP) and
- (c) NIC-GePP excel based Tool Offline/Online.

Q41. What is GST e-invoice Preparing and Printing (GePP) Tool under e-invoicing and who can use it?

Ans: (a) GePP Tool is an excel-based tool to help notified taxpayers who do not have ERP solution to enter invoice details in a user-friendly form and print e-invoice with IRN embedded QR Code by downloading the IRN from IRP.

(b) This tool is available on e-invoice portal under 'Bulk Generation Tool' option available by navigating to Help Tab >>> Tools on homepage and it can be downloaded freely.

Q42. What are the Salient features of GePP tool?

Ans: GePP is an excel-based tool having the below functionalities:

- A very simple form in which invoice details are required to be entered one by one.
- Facilitates creation of supplier profiles as well as creation of HSN and recipient masters for repeated use without feeding such data again, to save time.
- Helps in preparation of e-invoice JSON file and generation of IRN.
- Helps in downloading and importing IRN embedded QR code in the tool and it enables printing of e-invoice from the tool.

Q43. What are the advantages of the GePP tool / facility?

Ans: Advantages of GePP tool are as follows:

- Best suitable for small notified registered persons who do not have an ERP system and issuing limited number of invoices (about 10-12) per day.
- Helps notified taxpayers to enter data offline, prepare and print e-invoice with IRN embedded QR code,
- User-friendly tool can be downloaded even on Mobile and can be used for generation of e-invoice with IRN embedded QR code,
- Master data of suppliers, recipients and products will help in auto population of details for easier e-invoice generation, for repeated use without feeding such data again, to save time,
- Has an option to maintain details of payment received towards e-invoices.



Q44. Will it be possible for bulk uploading of invoices to IRP?

Ans:

- (a) Yes. Offline utility (Bulk Generation Tool) serves this purpose.
- (b) ERP/accounting systems used by large taxpayers can be designed in such a way that they can report invoices in bulk to IRP.
- (c) Reporting to IRP and generation of IRN will be one after another (which will not be visible for user). For the user, it will appear like bulk upload and bulk receipt.

Q45. As many businesses will be reporting invoices, will there be any delay in generation of IRN by IRP? Can the portal take that much load?

Ans:

- (a) IRP is a pass-through validation portal. Certain key fields will be validated on IRP. So, IRN will be generated in sub-200 millisecond duration.
- (b) Server capacity is robust enough to handle simultaneous uploads.
- (c) Multiple IRPs will be made available to distribute the load of invoice registration.
- (d) IRPs are dedicated portals other than regular GST common portal (used for filing registration applications, filing returns, making payments etc.).

Q46. Will IRP store/archive e-invoices?

Ans: No. IRP will only be a pass-through portal which performs prescribed validations on invoice data and generates IRN.

Q47. Will there be any relaxation for the requirement to obtain IRN In case of breakdown of internet connectivity in certain areas?

Ans:

- (a) Mechanism to provide relaxation in such contingent situations is prescribed as per proviso to Rule 48(4).
- (b) It reads as: "...Commissioner may, on the recommendations of the Council, by notification, exempt a person or a class of registered persons from issuance of invoice under this sub-rule for a specified period, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be specified in the said notification."
- Q48. In F.Y. 2021-22, I am eligible for e-invoicing whereas in April I did not provide e-invoice as I was not aware that time i.e. April 2021. Now, for the client can I provide e- invoice of April 2021. If I am providing e-invoice now I will give same Bill Number and Date. Is this correct. Please suggest.

Ans: (a) Taxpayers for whom generation of IRN from e- invoice portal is mandatory as amended, documents without IRN will not be treated as invoice..

(b) For the past period, portal is still open for generating IRN based on demand of taxpayers.

Q49. Whether e-invoice is applicable to notified registered persons having only zero-rated supplies?

Ans: E-invoice must be generated for zero rated supplies if annual turnover as per Sec. 2(6), exceeds more than Rs. 20 Crores in any preceding F.Y. from 2017-18.

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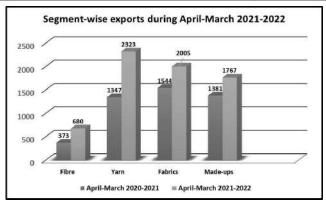
- 1) FAQs by O/o Pr. Chief Commissioner of GST & C. Excise (Tamil Nadu and Puducherry Zone, Chennai) (https://tinyurl.com/3dvsrscc).
- 2) CBIC's Notification No.1/2022–C.Tax dtd. 24.02.2022 (https://tinyurl.com/p7use2ve).
- 3) GST: e-Invoice System (https://einvoice1.gst.gov.in/).



EXPORTS PERFORMANCES OF INDIAN MAN-MADE FIBRE TEXTILES (MMF) DURING APRIL – MARCH 2021-2022

Exports of Indian Manmade Fibre (MMF) textiles during April-March 2021-22 were US\$ 6774.06 million against US\$ 4645.15 million showing an encouraging growth of 45.83% as compared to the previous year. (Source: MOC). The details product-wise break-up is given below:

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Product	Unit	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	% Growth
Fibre	Kgs.	378430.29	490798.63	373.25	679.56	82.07
Yarn	Kgs.	778277.26	1081519.77	1346.75	2322.69	72.47
Fabrics	Kgs.	107526.89	112587.00	1544.40	2005.03	29.82
rabrics	Sqm.	1371196.80	2989179.52	1544.46	1544.46 2005.03	29.02
Made -	Kgs.	363628.53	443031.94		1766.78	27.96
ups	Nos.	66299.17	81943.33	1380.69		
	Sqm.	140.23	1710.81			
		Total	4645.15	6774.06	45.83	



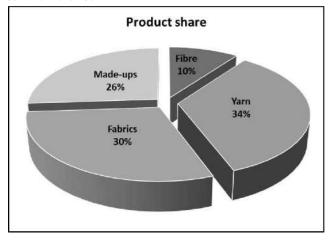
HIGHLIGHT

- Overall exports in April-March 2021-22 showed a growth of 45.83% as compared to the same period of the previous year.
- Exports of MMF have shown a growth of 82.07% during April-March 2020-21 as compared to the previous year. Polyester Staple Fibre (US\$ 442.05 Mn) was the leading item in the MMF category followed by Viscose Staple Fibre (US\$ 205.33 Mn)
- Exports of MMF yarns have witnessed a growth of 72.47% during April-March 2021-22 as compared to the previous year. Polyester Filament Yarn was the leading item with exports worth (US\$ 1345.49 Mn) followed by Polyester Cotton Yarn (US\$ 231.41 Mn) and Polyester Spun Yarn (US\$ 159.87 Mn).
- Exports of MMF fabrics also witnessed 29.82% growth during April-March 2021-2022 Synthetic Filament Fabrics (US\$ 591.44 Mn) was the top exported product in India's MMF textile exports followed by Polyester Filament Fabrics (US\$ 466.31 Mn) during April-March 2021-22.
- MMF Made-ups have also witnessed 27.96% growth during April-March 2021-22 as compared to the previous year. In Made-ups, exports of Bulk Containers were the leading item with exports worth US\$ 999.58 Mn followed by shawls/scarves worth US\$ 87.23 Mn.
- Exports of Fabrics dominated with 33% share followed by Made-ups 30%, Yarn 29% and Fibre 8% in the Indian MMF textile exports.
- Share of the value-added segments like fabrics and Made-ups have increased to 56% of total exports.
- USA was the leading market for Indian MMF textiles during 2021-2022 with 14% share in total exports followed by Turkey 9% and Bangladesh 7%.
- Turkey and USA were also the only export market for Indian MMF textiles with a growth of 87.66% and 141.20% respectively during the observed period.
- Other key markets during 2021-2022 were UAE (6%) Brazil, Sri Lanka and Egypt 4% each, Italy 3%, Germany and Belgium 2% each.
- USA, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka were the leading markets for Indian MMF Fabrics during April-March 2021-2022.
- > USA was also leading market for Indian MMF Made-ups during the period, followed by UAE and Germany.
- Yarn Exports to important markets like Turkey, Brazil, Egypt and Bangladesh have growth by 100%, 57.91%, 121.96% and 82.43% respectively.



PRODUCT SHARE

During April-March 2021-2022, dominant product in the Indian MMF textiles export basket was Yarn accounting for a share of 34% followed by Fabrics 30%, Made-ups 26% and Fibre 10%.



FIBRE

Exports of Indian MMF Fibre witnessed a growth by 82.07% during 2021-22 as compared to the previous year. However, Polyester Staple Fibre (US\$ 442.05 Mn) was the main fibre in total exports followed by Viscose Staple fibre (US\$ 205.33Mn).

In Value USD Mn

FIBRE	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth
Polyester Staple	323.58	442.05	209.47	90.06
Viscose Staple	113.92	205.33	91.41	80.24
Other Staple Fibre	26.75	32.18	5.43	20.30
Total Fibre	373.25	679.56	306.31	82.07

YARN

MMF Yarn exports have shown a growth of 72.47% during April-March 2021-2022 as compared to the same period of the previous year. Polyester Filament Yarn was the leading item with exports worth (US\$ 1345.49 Mn) followed by Polyester Cotton Yarn (US\$ 231.41 Mn) and Polyester Spun Yarn (US\$ 159.87 Mn). Polyester Viscose (US\$ 156.09Mn) was the yarn witnessing significant growth of 160.58% and 103.89% respectively during the year 2021-2022 as compared to the previous year.

In Value USD Mn

FIBRE	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth
Polyester Filament	737.16	1345.49	608.33	82.52
Polyester Cotton	174.58	231.41	56.83	32.55
Polyester Spun	78.41	159.87	81.46	103.89
Polyester Viscose	59.90	156.09	96.19	160.58
Viscose Spun	67.56	112.85	45.29	67.04
Nylon Filament	23.73	41.16	17.43	73.45
Acrylic Spun	19.94	36.26	16.32	81.85
Viscose Filament	24.90	33.47	8.57	34.42
Acrylic Cotton	7.84	13.97	6.13	78.19
Acrylic Spun	11.44	13.46	2.02	17.66
Other	141.29	178.66	37.37	26.45
Total	1346.75	2322.69	975.94	72.47



FABRICS

Exports of MMF Fabrics also witnessed growth of 29.82% during 2021-22 as compared to the previous year. Synthetic Filament Fabrics (US\$ 591.94 Mn) was the top exported product in India's MMF textile exports followed by Polyester Filament Fabrics (US\$ 466.31 Mn) during April-March 2021-2022. The major items of exports in this segment were Sarees, Shirtings, Suitings, Narrow woven Fabrics, Tyre cord fabrics, Parachute Fabrics and Umbrella Cloth. It is heartening to note that exports of fabrics like Polyester spun Fabrics, Viscose Spun Fabrics and Polyester Filament Fabrics have registered significant growth of 130.14%, 82.16% and 73.86% respectively.

In Value USD Mn

FIBRE (Woven+ non-woven +knitted)	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth Decline
Synthetic Filament	592.01	591.94	-0.07	-0.01
Polyester Filament	268.21	466.31	198.10	73.86
Polyester Viscose	205.57	254.44	48.87	23.77
Polyester Blended	53.15	50.84	-2.31	-4.35
Viscose Spun	25.67	46.76	21.09	82.16
Polyester Cotton	28.86	45.81	16.95	58.73
Polyester Spun	15.13	34.82	19.69	130.14
Nylon Filament	31.92	32.19	0.27	0.85
Polyester Wool	18.27	26.77	8.50	46.52
Viscose Blended	17.39	25.94	8.55	49.17
Viscose Filament	17.38	22.00	4.62	26.58
Other Fabrics	270.90	407.21	136.31	50.32
Total	1544.46	2005.03	460.57	29.82

^{*} Synthetic Filament: HS Codes 54077200, 54072090, 56031200, 54077400, 54079400, 54079200

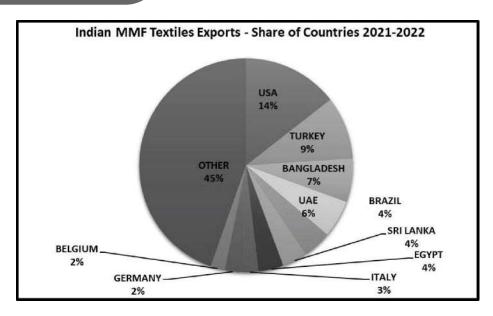
MADE-UPS

Export of Indian MMF Made-ups increased by nearly 27.96% during 2021-2022 as compared to the previous year. In Made-ups, exports of Bulk Containers were the leading item with exports worth US\$ 999.58 Mn followed by shawls/scarves worth US\$ 82.40 Mn, Fishing Nets, Mufflers and Blankets worth US\$ 68.50 Mn, US\$ 64.44 Mn and US\$ 55.51 Mn respectively. Blankets and furnishing Articles were the items that witnessed growth of 100.68% and 114.94% respectively. USA was the leading market for Indian MMF Made-up during 2021-2022.

In Value USD Mn

MADE-UPS	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth Decline	
Bulk Containers	708.36	999.58	291.22	41.11	
Shawls/Scarves	82.40	87.23	4.83	5.86	
Fishing Net	70.51	68.50	-2.01	-2.85	
Muffler	61.39	64.44	3.05	4.97	
Motifs	73.52	55.51	-18.01	-24.50	
Blanket	25.04	50.25	25.21	100.68	
Furnishing Articles	20.81	44.73	23.92	114.94	
Bed Linen	20.01	31.34	11.33	56.62	
Rope	21.08	30.31	9.23	43.79	
Sacks and Bags	16.71	24.21	7.50	44.88	
Curtains	10.96	15.41	4.45	40.60	
Other Made-ups 269.90		295.27	25.37	9.40	
Total	1380.69	1766.78	386.09	27.96	





LEADING MARKETS

In Value USD Mn

SI No.	MADE-UPS	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth Decline
1	SA	665.25	979.90	314.65	47.30
2	TURKEY	326.24	643.02	316.78	97.10
3	BANGLADESH	272.39	447.71	175.32	64.36
4	UAE	290.76	385.55	94.79	32.60
5	BRAZIL	180.29	291.92	111.63	61.92
6	SRI LANKA	164.18	255.50	91.32	55.62
7	EGYPT	128.33	255.19	126.86	98.85
8	ITALY	114.12	176.19	62.07	54.39
9	GERMANY	122.89	167.64	44.75	36.41
10	BELGIUM	90.02	150.46	60.44	67.14

LEADING MARKETS

In Value USD Mn

COUNTRY	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth Decline
TURKEY	61.98	116.31	54.33	87.66
USA	45.46	109.65	64.19	141.20
BANGLADESH	48.83	55.90	7.07	14.48
BELGIUM	14.71	23.82	9.11	61.93
EGYPT	11.64	22.01	10.37	89.09
BRAZIL	8.66	21.21	12.55	144.92
GERMANY	12.17	20.65	8.48	69.68
ITALY	8.66	13.27	4.61	53.23
UAE	3.54	12.95	9.41	265.82
SRI LANKA	0.47	0.11	-0.36	-76.60

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	In Value	In Value USD Mn		
TURKEY	260.93	522.18	261.25	100.12
BRAZIL	162.83	257.12	94.29	57.91
EGYPT	76.19	169.11	92.92	121.96
BANGLADESH	84.69	154.50	69.81	82.43
USA	85.62	121.45	35.83	41.85
BELGIUM	33.26	56.67	23.41	70.38
UAE	29.38	45.51	16.13	54.90
ITALY	16.87	40.85	23.98	142.15
SRI LANKA	20.29	38.98	18.69	92.11
GERMANY	13.49	20.44	6.95	51.52

MAJOR MARKETS FOR MMF FABRICS						
COUNTRY	April-March 2020-2021	April-March 2021-2022	Net Change	% Growth Decline		
USA	206.47	264.05	57.58	27.89		
BANGLADESH	137.29	232.88	95.59	69.63		
SRI LANKA	138.11	211.18	73.07	52.91		
UAE	147.68	209.97	62.29	42.18		
EGYPT	35.61	57.64	22.03	61.86		
ITALY	26.76	33.86	7.10	26.53		
BELGIUM	19.86	29.18	9.32	46.93		
GERMANY	12.86	15.95	3.09	24.03		
TURKEY	10.86	13.66	2.80	25.78		
BRAZIL	5.29	6.03	0.74	13.99		

MAJOR MARKETS FOR MMF MADE-UPS						
USA	27.70	484.75	157.05	47.92		
UAE	110.16	117.12	6.96	6.32		
GERMANY	84.37	110.60	26.23	31.09		
ITALY	61.83	88.21	26.38	42.67		
BELGIUM	22.19	40.79	18.60	83.82		
BRAZIL	3.51	7.56	4.05	115.38		
EGYPT	4.89	6.43	1.54	31.49		
SRI LANKA	5.31	5.23	-0.08	-1.51		
TURKEY	3.33	4.53	1.20	36.04		
BANGLADESH	1.58	4.43	2.85	180.38		



THAILAND

Hemp to be promoted in textile industry

The Commerce Ministry looks set to promote and upgrade hemp fibre in the Thai textile industry as it offers high potential in the global market under the popular bio-, circular and green economic model. According to Phusit Ratanakul Sereroengrit, director-general of the International Trade Promotion Department, the plan aligns with the government's ongoing efforts to push hemp as a new potential economic crop for commercial use. Hemp and cannabis had been classified as narcotics under Category 5 under the Narcotics Act of Thailand for many years. The extensive medicinal properties of both cannabis and hemp have long been known. In 2019, the possession and use of cannabis for medical and research purposes under certain conditions was legalised for the first time in Thailand. In December 2020, the legalisation of cannabis and hemp became more concrete and conspicuous after many parts of the cannabis and hemp cultivated in Thailand were allowed to be exempted from being considered narcotics under Category 5 through a notification from the Public Health Ministry. In early 2022, declassification of cannabis and hemp happened via another Public Health Ministry notification published in the Royal Gazette on Feb 9. This notification "unlocked" cannabis and hemp from narcotic classification, creating opportunities for the general public and business owners to use them for a wider range of purposes. "The department foresaw the potential to promote hemp in textiles and products for export because it is a natural fibre with many special properties," said Mr Phusit. "The production process is environmentally friendly and able to respond to global market trends." The world market for textiles and garments made from fibres and hemp products is now estimated at more than 140 billion baht, with the figures expected to grow by 22.4% between 2022 and 2027 based on growing demand. In a move to capitalise on the global trend, the International Trade Promotion Department established a project to develop and promote the export of textiles and garments made from fibres and hemp products to tap into market demand worldwide. In-depth market information and business development guidelines for hemp products will be provided to support Thai entrepreneurs to develop their products and enable them to compete in international markets. In the first quarter of 2022, Thai textile product exports (excluding textile housing) tallied US\$1.72 billion, up by 13.8% year-on-year. The most important export markets included the US, Japan, Vietnam, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Myanmar, India and Germany. The major export products comprised garments worth \$602 million (34.9%), fabric and yarn worth \$552 million (32%) and other textiles including artificial fibres, embroidered and lace fabrics, fishing nets, tailoring and crafted fabrics, shawls and scarves worth a combined \$571 million (33.1%).

Source: Bangkok Post News

VIETNAM

Vietnam sees 23.5% YoY surge in textile-garment export in Jan-May 2022

Vietnam witnessed a year-on-year (YoY) surge of 23.5 per cent in export of textile and garment to earn US\$18.7 billion between January and May this year amid continuing market uncertainties and rising input costs. Vietnam National Textile and Garment Group (Vinatex) saw a 50-per cent surge in revenue. Most companies have orders to fulfill by the end of

September. Many are negotiating to gain more for the rest of the year. Nam Dinh Textile Garment JSC (Natexco) generated over 1.02 trillion VND in revenue by May end—up by 23 per cent YoY, according to Trade Union President, Doan Van Dung. Natexco suffered severe labour shortage throughout February and March as there were times when up to half of its workers had to take sick leave due to COVID-19 infection. Viet Thang Corporation has been struggling to keep production going during the first quarter of the year, given that the Russia-Ukraine crisis has caused supply chain disruptions and a spike in input and fuel prices and logistics costs, said company deputy director general Dau Phi Quyet. Those expenditures have climbed three- to four-fold, and therefore, all units were having hard time figuring out possible ways to get out of the situation, Quyet said. Though the company has managed to find stable supplies of inputs, it is having a shortage of imported replacements for equipment components to deal with. It earlier took six to eight weeks to receive deliveries of the replacements, which normally come from Europe. Now the shipments may take up to 12 weeks to arrive. To cut logistics costs, the corporation is prioritising major orders instead of minor ones. Similar challenges could potentially put the brake on Vinatex's growth over the remaining months this year, a report by a Vietnamese news agency said. Vinatex chief executive officer Cao Huu Hieu said record inflation in decades are ravaging major economies, triggering rising inventories and declining purchasing power, and this may have substantial effects on the company's performance. To weather the crisis, Hieu has advised domestic manufacturers to prepare themselves with more flexible plans in order to promptly address any market changes.

Source: Fibre2Fashion News

ISRAEL

Israel's home textile imports to grow as reforms take effect

The reforms undertaken by the Government of Israel have come into effect from June 1, 2022. This is likely to increase the country's imports of home textile products such as tablecloths, carpets and beddings. Under the reforms, the government has abolished import tariff on these products and has also dropped compliance of local standards. As per the reform, first announced on May 18 this year, the designated home textile products can now enter Israel if they meet international standards, and there will not be any need for them to meet local standards as well. Further, inspections would not be carried out if importers declare that the products meet international standards. During May 2021 to April 2022, Israel imported home textile products worth US\$452.703 million. Of this, bed imports were valued at US\$117.262 million (25.90 per cent), made-ups \$95.699 million (21.14 per cent), floor US\$73.513 million (16.24 per cent), bathroom & kitchen US\$48 million (10.60 per cent), sacks & bags US\$44.087 million (9.74 per cent), window US\$25.642 million (5.66 per cent), and camping US\$23.809 million (5.26 per cent), according to data from Fibre2Fashion's market. Further analysis of the data for the last six quarters revealed volatility in Israel's home textile imports. The import increased to US\$121.577 million in first quarter of this year from \$115.435 million in last quarter. Israel's home textile imports stood at \$138.528 million in July-September 2021, US\$123.606 million in April-June 2021, US\$120.245 million in January-March 2021 and \$98.158 million in October-December 2020.

Source: Fibre2Fashion News

SRTEPC Events for the year 2022-23

Sr No.	Events Name	Markets	Region	Date of the Event	Number of participants	Product Profiles of the Events
1	Heimtextil	Germany	Europe	21 to 24 June 2022	10	Home Décor Items
2	Texworld New York City/Apparel Sourcing New York City/Home Textile Fair	USA	NAFTA	19 to 21 July 2022	10	Home Textile items, Fabrics and Apparel
3	Yarn Expo & Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabric Show (Participation depend upon the Covid Situation in China)	China	NEA	29 to 31st August 2022	15	Yarn, fibre, fabrics, and apparel
4	Dhaka International Yarn & Fabric Show	Bangladesh	South Asia	31st Aug to 3 Sept 2022	15	Fabrics & Yarn
5	Apparel Textile Salon/Textillegprom	Russia	CIS	6 to 9 September 2022	15	Textile and light industry
6	Vietnam International Textile & Garment Exhibition	Vietnam	ASEAN	21 to 24 September, 2022	15	Textiles & Garment
7	Irantex	Iran	South Asia	21 to 24 October 2022	15	Machinery, Raw Materials, Home Textiles, Embroidery Machines Textile Products
8	Africa Sourcing and Fashion Week	Ethiopia	Africa	4 to 7 November 2022	15	Textile, Apparel and Fashion Industry
9	Morocco Fashion & Tex	Morocco	WANA	7 to 10 December, 2022	15	Fabrics, Yarn, Apaprel, Home Textiles etc.
10	Heimtextil	Germany	Europe	10 to 13 Janaury 2023	10	Home Décor Items
11	IM INTERMODA	Mexico	NAFTA	Jan-23	15	Fabrics, Fashion Fabrics, Apparels, Accessories
12	Colombiatex	Colombia	LAC	25 to 27 January 2023	15	All types of Textles, apparel and machinery
13	Istanbul Yarn Fair	Turkey	Europe	16 to 18 February 2023	15	Yarn
14	RBSM Mumbai	India	Asia	Mar-23	Participants-100 Buyers-100	MMF Textiles

Note: SRTEPC is participating in the above events under the MAI Scheme of Govt. of Inida. The participation charge will be highly subsidized. Since the slot availability is very limited, interested member-exporters are requested to send their interest on participation in the above events at ramita@srtepc.in

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National Conclave on Standards for Technical Textiles held at FICCI, New Delhi

The 5th edition of the National Conclave on Standards for Technical Textiles was jointly organised by MoT, BIS and FICCI at FICCI Federation House on 10th June, 2022 at New Delhi. The Inaugural address was delivered by Shri Upendra Prasad Singh, Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, wherein he focused on the standards and quality of the Technical Textiles. He insisted that formulation and revision of the standards are important and essential. It was also mentioned that BIS has developed around 505 standards for the technical textiles. The Secretary informed that while formulating the standards the domestic industry needs to be consulted and should not be impacted. The Conclave Online Meeting was attended by SRTEPC Officials; Shri S. Balaraju, Executive Director and Shri K. Baruah, Additional Director.

Some of the Government organizations including Border Routes Organisation (BRO), Bureau of Indian Standard (BIS), Indian Army, Indian Navy, etc.made presentations on usage/applications of various segments of technical textiles. During the presentations, it was highlighted that more than 90% fibres used in the technical textiles segment is of Manmade fibres.

The BRO's presentation focused on use of Geotextile material in construction of roads, bridges, etc. in the difficult terrains including hilly and snow clad areas in the country. The presentation given by BIS focused on standardization in the field of Protech (Protective Clothing).





The presentations given during the event were highly educative and gave a detailed status of the technical textiles development in the country with prospects for future clothing.

Renewal of Council's Membership for the year 2022-23 (https://tinyurl.com/ren2223)

Kindly refer to our Circular message dated 31s March 2022 (Ref: Mem/22-23/001) 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: Rs.12,331
- For SSI/MSME units (Micro/small category), renewal fees: 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 2022-23 at the earliest. For any query, please call on 022-62318282 (Mr. Rafique / Ms. Chetna).

Last year renewal of membership published in SRTEPC World. (For information)

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SRTEPC'S Services to Indian Exporters



- Introduces Exporters to appropriate Overseas Buyers
- Provides up-to-date information and identifies potential markets for them
- Organises Export Promotion Programmes like Trade Fairs/Exhibitions, Buyer-Seller Meets in various overseas markets.
- Organising Reverse Buyer Seller Meets every year by which the overseas buyers are brought to India to discuss business with members
- Provides Grant for Market Access Initiative subsidy towards airfare for participation in promotional programmes like Exhibition/Fairs abroad (Member of the Council for the last year one year is a must)
- Conducts Workshops, Seminars to keep exporters abreast of latest development in policy/procedural matters, international trends, marketing strategies, government schemes, etc.
- Assist the exporters on Import-Export Policy and Procedures
- Resolve their problems about shipping and transport
- Maintain liaison with the Government authorities to convey the requirements of the industry and trade and help to bring about appropriate policy changes.
- Facilitates free display of samples at Council's Trade Centre in Mumbai and Surat frequented by overseas buyers and Trade Delegations
- Resolves problems of members connected with DGFT, Customs/Central Excise, GST, ROSL, Duty Drawback, Banking, ECGC, etc.
- Provides information on the trends for product development and adaptation to suit the overseas market requirements
- Issues export turnover certificates and certificate of origin.
- Visa facilitation to visit specified markets to discuss business with their target customers.
- Publication of Newsletter and regular circulars/letters to keep them aware of the activities of the Council
 and trade information.
- Collection and dissemination of Industry / Trade statistics to help members make their export strategy for export.
- Dissemination of information on foreign markets/emerging trends and trade enquiries
- Make them aware about different Anti Dumping duties as applicable in respective markets. From time to time also inform them about Sunset Reviews and give them timely information on questionnaire to be filled in, etc.
- Forex updates on WhatsApp.