

THE COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL (Sponsored By Government of India)

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Sub: Focus Group Discussions on Rules of Origin Project

Dear Member,

This is to inform you that the Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of India is currently evolving a set of Product Specific Rules (PSR) to prepare a template on Rules of Origins (ROO) to be used for future free trade agreements. To this end, they have asked the Indian Institute of Foreign trade (IIFT) to propose PSRs at the HS6 digit level. The Economics division of IIFT, Kolkata is currently undertaking the project on behalf of the Ministry.

To prepare these rules, IIFT is currently undertaking Focus Group Discussion with all the stakeholders to collect their views on the problems faced by their respective exporters in the following:

- (1) Rules of Origin under the current set of Indian FTAs and suggest changes (if any) that need to be incorporated.
- (2) Feedback on the Rules of Origin under the India UAE CEPA (Current RoO for cotton textiles under the CEPA is CTSH + 40% for HS 52 and CTH + 40% VA for HS 60 & 63)

Any amendments / revisions / clarifications suggested by members may kindly be sent to Mr Shailesh Martis at shailesh@texprocil.org latest by 13th April 2023.

Regards,

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