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<u>Sub: Changes in origin declaration for Self-Certification under UK Developing Countries Trading Scheme (DCTS)</u>

Dear Member,

The O/o DGFT has issued Trade Notice No.39/2023-24 dated 18th March, 2024 (enclosed) informing that United Kingdom (UK) has replaced its existing origin declaration process under Generalized Scheme of Preferences (GSP) with the UK Developing Countries Trading Scheme (DCTS) w.e.f 19.6.2023. The transition period for this change was extended until 31.12.2023.

In the Trade notice to the Members of Trade and issuing Agencies, the DGFT has said that starting from 01.01.2024, onwards, Indian exporters to the UK are required to adhere to the new rules under Developing Countries Trading Scheme (DCTS) to avail concessions on their exports to the UK. It added that goods that meet the UK DCTS Rules of Origin (RoO) requirements would be eligible to claim a concessional rate of import duty for exports to the UK.

Therefore, the origin criteria necessary for satisfying the Rules of Origin to avail tariff concessions on exports from India to the UK must be filled in through self-certification.

Accordingly, Indian exporters are directed to use origin declaration wording under DCTS scheme, in place of origin declaration wording under GSP.

The Trade Notice provides URLs where detailed information on the DCTS can be accessed.

Members exporting to the UK may kindly make a note of the above and do the needful as advised by DGFT.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director

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