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<u>Sub: Relaxation in the provision of submission of "Bill of Export" as evidence of export obligation discharge for supplies made to SEZ units in case of Advance Authorisation</u>

Dear Member,

O/o DGFT has issued a Policy Circular No.4/2024 dated 3rd June, 2024 (copy enclosed) by relaxing the provision for submission of 'Bill of Export' as evidence of export obligation discharge for supplies made to SEZ units in case of Advance Authorization (AA).

As you may be aware, Para 4.21 (iv) of FTP mandates the submission of 'Bill of Export' for exports to SEZ units/developers/co-developers under specific conditions. This requirement was also applicable to DFIA Scheme as per Para 4.24 (b) of FTP.

In this connection, DGFT has received representations from industry highlighting the hardships faced while complying this requirement.

Accordingly, the matter has been examined and clarified by the DGFT. Now, Bill of Export is no longer required for AA/DFIA exports to SEZ entities prior to 1st July, 2017. Exporters can submit following corroborative evidence in lieu of 'Bill of Export' to comply with the export obligation:

- ARE-1 (showing AA/DFIA File No.) duly attested by jurisdictional Central Excise/GST Authorities of AA holder/DFIA Exporter.
- Evidence of receipt of supplies by SEZ recipient.
- Evidence of payment made by SEZ unit to AA/DFIA exporter as per Para 4.21 of FTP.

Members may kindly make a note of the above.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director

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