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To: Members of the Council

Sub: Duty Drawback Claims at JNPT Customs

Dear Member,

As you are aware, with regard to the Duty Drawback Scheme, the Government had provided a transition period of three months from date of implementation of GST i.e. 1.7.2017 till 30.9.2017. During this period, existing duty drawback rates were continued and exporters were allowed to claim higher rate of duty drawback (composite AIR) subject to fulfillment of certain conditions and furnishing of prescribed declarations. Exporters also had the option of claiming only the Customs portion of AIR (lower rate - 2%) and claim refund/ITC under GST laws.

The Composite Drawback rates for Cotton Made ups covered under Chapter 63 was 7.5% and the lower rate was 2%.

We have received representations from many of our members pointing out that they have received the lower rate of Duty Drawback (2%) from JNPT Customs on exports of Cotton Made ups despite the fact that they were eligible for the higher rate i.e. 7.5% and had furnished the prescribed declarations.

In this regard, Shri Amit Ruparelia, Past Chairman, TEXPROCIL and Shri A. Ravi Kumar, Joint Director, TEXPROCIL along with Shri Khalid Khan, Regional Chairman, FIEO had a meeting with Shri Vivek Johri, Chief Commissioner of Customs, JNPT on 3.10.2017 and had discussed this issue.
The Chief Commissioner assured to look into the matter. In the meanwhile, the Chief Commissioner has asked for specific cases where exporters were given lower rate of Duty Drawback.

We would request you to please send us list of Shipping Bills against which JNPT Customs have given you the lower rate of Duty Drawback i.e 2% despite fulfilling the Conditions required for higher rate of drawback and furnishing the prescribed declarations. Please send the list by email on the email IDs ravikumar@texprocil.org / vimal@texprocil.org in the following format:

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<th>Sr.No.</th>
<th>Date of Shipping Bill</th>
<th>Shipping Bill No.</th>
<th>Amount of Drawback (eligible 7.5%)</th>
<th>Amount of Drawback Received (2%)</th>
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Regards,

**Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal**  
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