Circular No. EPS/32/2020-21

To: Members of the Council

Sub.: Certificate of Origin for exports to Thailand and Vietnam under the ASEAN – India FTA

Dear Member,

As you are aware, Export Inspection Agency (EIA) and other designated bodies issue Certificate of Origin online for exports to Thailand and Vietnam under the ASEAN – India FTA in terms of DGFT Trade Notice No. 01/2020-21 dated April 7, 2020.

In this regard, we have received representations from our members pointing out difficulty faced by them as the Customs authorities in Thailand and Vietnam are not accepting online Certificate of Origin and are insisting upon the ORIGINALs.

We had taken up this matter with the Government and had requested to persuade the authorities in Thailand and Vietnam to accept the Online Certificate of Origin. We had also requested the Government to advise all designated bodies to issue Certificate of Origin manually till the matter gets resolved.

We are glad to inform you that DGFT has accepted our request and has re-instated the earlier procedure of issuing physical copy of Certificate of Origin for exports to Thailand and Vietnam under ASEAN- India FTA vide Trade Notice No. 12/2020-21 dated May 22, 2020.

A copy of the above Trade Notice is enclosed herewith (click here) for your
You are requested to please take a note of the above and submit your applications for Certificate of Origin manually at the offices of EIA or any other designated authority for exports to Thailand and Vietnam.

In case of any difficulty in getting the Certificate of Origin, please get in touch with us.

Regards,

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