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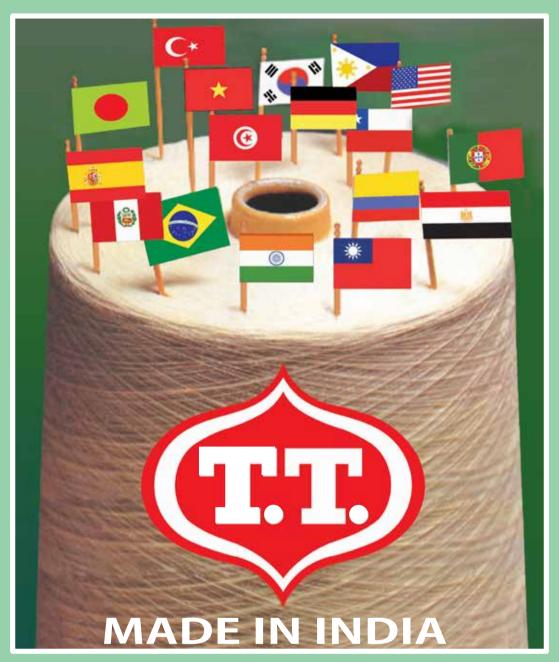
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As part of its Export Promotion Programme for FY 2025-26, TEXPROCIL facilitated member participation at Yarn Expo Autumn and Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics (2nd-4th September 2025). The India Pavilion drew significant international attention, with a special showcase of Kasturi Cotton products. The Council also promoted the Kasturi Cotton Bharat programme, holding meetings with leading global buyers including Lindex Group, H&M Group, Fuzhou Siemei Trade Co. Ltd., and LC Waikiki. A comprehensive report appears in the Trade Promotion section.

The Council, led by Chairman Shri Vijay Agarwal and other industry leaders, met with Ms. Mamta Verma, Principal Secretary (Industries & Mines) and Shri Swaroop P, Industries Commissioner, Government of Gujarat, in Gandhinagar to discuss the Gujarat Textile Policy 2024. The delegation sought government support in light of U.S. tariff challenges and explored collaborative strengthen global annroaches to competitiveness. Details appear in the Trade Facilitation column.

Similarly, Shri Sudhakar Choudhary COA

Dear Reader,

The global textile trade is currently navigating a phase of growth, transition, and pressure. Trade flows are being reshaped by fresh tariffs and shifting trade agreements, with India, Bangladesh, and Vietnam among the most affected. Exporters are responding by diversifying markets, building regional hubs, and investing in integrated textile parks to strengthen resilience and competitiveness.

Despite the robust policy support extended by the Government—through temporary duty relief on raw cotton, production-linked incentives, and the development of textile parks-much more needs to be done to ease input costs and sharpen the competitiveness of exporters.

At an interactive meeting with Hon'ble Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman in Chennai on 2nd September 2025, Shri Ravi Sam, Vice Chairman, TEXPROCIL, highlighted the concerns of the industry regarding punitive U.S. tariffs and emphasized the urgent need for relief. A detailed account of this meeting appears in the Trade Promotion section of this Newsletter.

The Trade Promotion column also covers the Council's participation in Manthan 2025: Perfect Sourcing CXO Meet at Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi, on 4th September 2025. This forum enabled exporters and buyers to engage in dialogue aimed at redefining the future of sourcing.

member of TEXPROCIL met with Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri N. Chandrababu Naidu, on 29th August 2025 and also requested for possible state level relief measures on account of the adverse impact of U.S. tariffs.

The Kasturi Cotton team continued its outreach, making a detailed presentation on sustainability, quality, and traceability during the Cluster Level Training of Cotton Farmers and Stakeholders on 9th September 2025 in Ratlam. Organized by CITI-CDRA, the programme emphasized occupational safety, integrated crop management, and the promotion of Kasturi Cotton, ELS Cotton, and sustainable farming practices.

TEXPROCIL also organized a Webinar in collaboration with Beetle Regen Solutions and Regenagri on the theme "Can growing cotton remove carbon?" The session explored how climate-positive fibres produced through regenerative practices can address the climate crisis while adding value across the textile supply chain.

On the policy front, the 56th meeting of the GST Council, chaired by Hon'ble Union

Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, approved Next-Gen GST reforms (effective 22nd September 2025). These landmark measures-highlighted in the Policy Talks section-are expected to eliminate duty inversion, promote fibre neutrality, ease compliance for MSMEs, and stimulate demand and investment in the sector.

The 'Policy Talks' section of this Newsletter presents the recent changes in policy and procedures announced by the government and various provisions of the Foreign Trade Policy, incentive schemes, and issues of taxation.

We do hope that you find reading this edition of the E-Newsletter worthwhile.

We welcome your valuable feedback on the present edition and also invite contributions in the form of short articles on matters relevant to trade and industry.

TEXPROCIL E-Newsletter values your comments and contributions and looks forward to receiving continuous support for the various activities of the Council.

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The Council has been continuously engaging with the government to advocate sector-specific policy support. Our representations highlight the need for timely relief measures, including tariff mitigation, GST simplification, and incentives that can strengthen India's competitive edge in global markets. I appeal to all our members to send in suggestions for sensitizing the Government on the critical issues in an orderly manner.

PM MITRA Park

On the domestic side, a historic milestone was achieved with the laying of the foundation stone for India's first greenfield PM MITRA Park at Dhar in Madhya Pradesh. With investment commitments exceeding ₹20,000 crore, this integrated textile park represents a bold step towards modernizing the sector's infrastructure. By bringing together ginning, spinning, weaving, processing, and garmenting within a single ecosystem, the PM MITRA Park promises to create globally competitive supply chains, deliver economies of scale, and enhance India's ability to serve international buyers with speed and efficiency.

Dear Members,

Over the past fortnight, India's textile sector has navigated a series of significant developments on both international and domestic fronts. These shifts highlight the adaptability of our industry and the importance of proactive engagement by TEXPROCIL in shaping outcomes that matter for our members. From encouraging signals in global trade policy to landmark domestic infrastructure initiatives and a renewed focus on sustainability, the sector continues to demonstrate resilience amidst complex challenges.

One of the most encouraging recent developments is the statement by India's Chief Economic Adviser indicating that the United States may review the continuation of the 25% penal tariffs on Indian goods. If these duties are rolled back, it will create a welcome opportunity for Indian textiles and apparel to regain competitiveness in one of our largest export markets. The U.S. remains a cornerstone of India's global textile trade, and this potential policy shift could allow exporters to reclaim lost ground and expand market share.

This initiative is not just about infrastructure-it is about transforming India's textile sector into a truly integrated, world-class value chain that can meet the demands of today's fast-changing global marketplace.

Trade Data

The quick estimates released by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry for the month of August 2025 shows that the exports of cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products etc. from India declined by (-) 2.32% in August 2025 over August 2024. However, during April-Aug'25, Indian cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products have slightly declined by (-) 0.62%.

During Aug' 25, Indian Textiles Exports declined by (-) 2.79% over the previous year while Apparel Exports have also declined by (-) 2.65% during the same time period.

As concerns the cumulative Exports of Textiles and Apparel during August'25 have declined by (-) 2.73% over August'24 During April-August'25, Indian Textiles Exports have registered a positive growth of 0.02% over the

previous year while Apparel Exports registered a growth of 5.78% during the same time period. Overall T&A registered a growth of 2.52% during Apr-August'25.

Policy Advocacy

Meeting with Hon'ble Finance Minister

On 2nd September 2025, Shri Ravi Sam, Vice Chairman of TEXPROCIL, raised industry concerns during an interactive meeting with Hon'ble Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman in Chennai. He emphasized the urgent need to address the impact of U.S. tariffs and to resolve GST-related challenges.

A joint memorandum prepared by TEXPROCIL along with other industry associations and councils was submitted to the Minister. The Finance Minister responded positively, assuring the delegation that the Ministry of Finance would work with the Ministry of Commerce to develop practical solutions. Exporters also welcomed the government's decision to extend the import duty exemption on cotton until 31st December 2025, a timely relief for the industry.



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Meeting with Government Officials of Guiarat

A TEXPROCIL delegation, led by myself, met senior officials of the Gujarat government including Ms. Mamta Verma. IAS. Principal Secretary. Industries & Mines Department, and Shri Swaroop P. IAS. Industries Commissioner. in Gandhinagar. Discussions focused on the Gujarat Textile Policy 2024 and ways to leverage its provisions to strengthen industry competitiveness. Officials assured us of continued support and indicated their readiness to work closely with stakeholders to address emerging challenges.

Meeting with Chief Minister of Andhra **Pradesh**

On 29th August 2025, Shri Sudhakar Choudhary, COA Member of TEXPROCIL, along with representatives from SIMA and CITI, called on the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri N. Chandrababu Naidu, in Vijayawada.

The discussions focused on the adverse impact of the recently imposed U.S. tariffs on the State's textile industry. The delegation apprised the Hon'ble Chief Minister of the challenges being faced by exporters and sought all possible relief measures at the State level to mitigate these impacts and safeguard the competitiveness of the sector.

Trade Promotion Initiatives

Participation in Manthan 2025: Perfect **Sourcing CXO Meet**

On 4th September 2025, TEXPROCIL actively participated in the "Manthan 2025: Perfect Sourcing CXO Meet" in New Delhi. The event provided exporters and buyers an opportunity to exchange views, debate sourcing trends, and explore partnerships that will define the future of global sourcing.

InterTextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics Show

From 2nd to 4th September 2025, TEXPROCIL led India's participation in the InterTextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics Show and Yarn Expo Autumn. The India Pavilion prominently showcased products made from Kasturi Cotton Bharat (KCB), which attracted considerable attention from global buyers.

Meetings were held with leading brands such as Lindex Group, H&M Group, Fuzhou Siemei Trade Co. Ltd., and LC Waikiki to explore integrating Kasturi Cotton into their product portfolios. Encouragingly, after two years of subdued participation, visitor traffic at Indian booths was markedly higher, signaling renewed buyer interest in Indian textiles.

Promoting Kasturi Cotton Bharat

The Kasturi Cotton initiative continues to play a pivotal role in strengthening India's brand identity in global cotton markets. On 9th September 2025, the Kasturi Cotton team delivered a presentation at a Cluster-Level Training organized by the CITI Cotton Development & Research Association (CITI-CDRA) in Ratlam, Madhya Pradesh. The training covered critical areas such as Occupational Safety and Health (OSH), Integrated Crop Management (ICM), sustainable farming practices, and the promotion of Extra-Long Staple (ELS) cotton.

In parallel, TEXPROCIL organized a webinar with Beetle Regen Solutions and Regenagri on the theme "Can Growing Cotton Remove Carbon?" The discussion explored the role of regenerative farming practices in making cotton cultivation climate-positive, thereby aligning with global sustainability goals and strengthening the value proposition of Kasturi Cotton Bharat.

Looking Ahead

As India's textile and apparel industry navigates this complex trade landscape, it is clear that success will depend on agility, innovation, and collaboration. While the prospect of U.S. tariff relief offers hope, diversification into the EU, UK, and Africa remains crucial. Meanwhile, exporters must continue to compete with efficiency-driven players in Southeast Asia and adapt to the growing emphasis on sustainability.

In these challenging times the Council assures to remain your steadfast partner-advocating for policy support, facilitating trade promotion, enabling knowledge-sharing.

Together, let us strengthen India's position as a global leader in textiles, safeguard the interests of our producers, workers, and exporters, and create a value chain that is both competitive and sustainable.

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Manthan 2025: When Buyers and Exporters **Faced Each Other**



PERFECT SOURCING CXO Meet at Le Méridien, New Delhi



On 4th September 2025, the grand halls of Le Méridien, New Delhi witnessed something the Indian apparel industry had never seen before - a closed-room knowledge forum where buyers and exporters sat across the table, debating, questioning, and redefining the future of sourcing.

The PERFECT SOURCING CXO Meet - Manthan lived up to its name, bringing over 100 top decision-makers together for a deep churning of ideas. Supported by Lectra, Kasturi Cotton, and Donear Group, with the backing of Noida Apparel Export Cluster (NAEC) and Garment Exporters & Manufacturers Association (GEMA), the meet broke new ground in how industry conversations are shaped.

Redefining the Game in Uncertain Times

The day opened with a high-energy session on how CXOs are navigating turbulent markets. Prashant Aggarwal, MD, Wazir Advisors, moderated the discussion, ensuring no hard question went unanswered.

- Ranjiv Kapur, COO, Triburg, urged exporters to rethink their fundamentals: "We must focus on productivity and efficiency to make cost-effective products. Competing globally means competing on price."
- Harmeet Singh Bedi, Modelama Exports, stressed product innovation and exploring new geographies to hold ground in shrinking markets.
- Anil Peshawari, Meenu Creations, brought the discussion back to the basics: "If we innovate at the grassroots level, plan costs smartly, and chase new markets, we can still stay in the race."
- Jayesh Kakkad, Deputy Director, TEXPROCIL expressed views on the imposition of 50% tariffs by the US stating that this is not just a challenge-it is a call to innovate. Let us take tariffs not as a roadblock, but as a catalyst-an urgent call to accelerate the transformation of our textile industry into a powerhouse of innovation, sustainability, and resilience. With Kasturi Cotton Bharat as the flagship of India's premium, sustainable cotton story-backed by cutting-edge product development, smart processes, and agile business models-we can not only withstand global headwinds but redefine India's leadership in textiles.

The mood was clear: these are tough times, but they demand sharper strategies and bold moves.







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The ABCD of the Industry

After a lively "Chai pe Charcha" tea break, the conversation turned to the ABCD framework — Accelerators, Barriers, Curators, and Disruptors.

The Accelerators included India's cotton strength, flexibility in small volumes, and product innovation. But the Barriers were glaring: over-reliance on imported fabrics and yarns, weak infrastructure, and gaps in scale.

As for **Curators**, the panelists voted unanimously for **design and product development** as the biggest differentiators in global fashion. And when it came to **Disruptors**, there was no debate - **artificial intelligence**, **digital transformation**, **and speed-to-market** are reshaping sourcing faster than anyone expected.

Some speakers also flagged the need to **look beyond traditional hubs**, suggesting states like **Madhya Pradesh**, **Orissa**, **and Bihar** as potential destinations for future manufacturing growth.

Buyers vs Exporters: The Showdown

The third session was the heart of Manthan - a face-off between buyers and exporters.

To break the ice, a rapid-fire round titled "Buyers vs Exporters" set the room buzzing with laughter and candid admissions. But soon, the mood turned serious as the **real issues surfaced.**

- Buyers' Verdict: India's strengths lie in its positive mindset, sustainability push, and improving infrastructure. But they were vocal about concerns: inconsistent quality, long lead times, and lack of product variety.
- Exporters' Counter: The single biggest disruptor? "Tariffs." The recent hikes have shaken exporters, leading to canceled orders and mounting stockpiles. One exporter quipped, "We must learn scale from Bangladesh and quality from Vietnam."

Policy frustrations dominated the debate. "GST changes will not rescue the industry. Duties on Bangladeshi imports worth ₹96,000 crore entering India could push brands to source locally," argued **Lalit Thukral, President, NAEC**.

On market diversification, buyers asked why exporters remain so dependent on the US. The reply was straightforward: the **US offers big volumes**, while **Europe demands niche**, **personalized products**. **Deepak Aggarwal**, **MD**, **BL International**, pointed out, "Both US and EU are equally important, but the European buyer is always more demanding."

The debate ended not with closure, but with clarity: India must adapt faster, embrace automation, diversify markets, and demand smarter trade policies to stay in the global race.

Why Manthan Mattered

Beyond the panels and debates, what made *Manthan* special was its **unfiltered honesty**. Buyers admitted where India falls short. Exporters confessed where they must improve. Both sides agreed that survival now depends on **speed**, **scale**, **and sustainability**.

For the first time, the industry witnessed a **face-to-face conversation without filters**, where laughter, discomfort, and sharp truths mingled to create a roadmap for the future.

The Road Ahead

The **PERFECT SOURCING CXO Meet – Manthan 2025** will be remembered not just as an event, but as a **turning point in dialogue**. It showed that the industry doesn't need another conference; it needs **real conversations, real solutions, and real collaboration**. And if the energy in that room at Le Méridien was any indication, the Indian apparel industry is ready to do exactly that.



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TEXPROCIL participated at the Yarn Expo Autumn and InterTextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics Show in Shanghai



TEXPROCIL organized participation of 24 companies at the Yarn Expo Autumn and InterTextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics Show in Shanghai from 2nd to 4th September 2025.

Introduction

As part of its Export Promotion Programme for the Financial Year 2025-26, the Council had organized participation of its member exporters at the Yarn Expo Autumn and the Inter Textile shanghai Apparel Fabrics show at the National Exhibition & Convention Centre, Shanghai from 2nd to 4th September 2025. This is the largest exhibition for Yarns and Fabrics in Asia attracting buyers from across the world.

Event Details

The Council put up the India Pavilion under the TEXPROCIL banner comprising of 20 booths including the TEXPROCIL booth in Hall 8.2 at the Yarn Expo, 3 booths in Hall 5.1 at Inter Textile Apparel Fabrics show and one each at the Denim Pavilion in Hall 8.1 & Accessories Zone in Hall 1.1.

Participation in the event organized by Messe Frankfurt, Hong Kong was not under MAI.

The Indian pavilion at Yarn Expo was highlighted through well designed backlit front fascia and running back fascia as well as 'Hanging Banners'. The format at Inter Textile & Accessories Zone was an open booth with vertical fascia. Exhibitor catalogues containing detailed profiles of Indian exhibitors was distributed to the visitors. Branding of Indian exhibitors was carried out, at the Council's booth and at each exhibitor booth as well as in the Exhibitor catalogue, which was sent to the Consulate General of India as well as China National Textile & Apparel Council (CNTAC) well in advance to promote the participation of Indian companies.

560 exhibitors from 13 countries exhibited at the Yarn Expo in 27000 sq. mts of booth space, while over 3700 exhibitors from 26 countries exhibited at Inter Textile Apparel Fabric. 24000 visitors from 124 countries visited the Yarn Expo. The top 10 countries in terms of visitors were Hong Kong, Taiwan, South Korea, India, Japan, Russia, Bangladesh, Turkey, Vietnam & Pakistan. In the profile of the visitors at the Yarn Expo 37% were Yarn producers, 21% were manufacturers of knit fabrics, 20% were manufacturers of woven fabrics, 16% were Traders/Agents & the balance were Import & Export Corporations.

Large no. of people visited the Inter Textile Apparel Fabric Show. The top 10 countries in terms of visitors were South Korea, India, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, Russia, Turkiye, Brazil & Bangladesh. 49% of the visitors were garment manufacturers, 36% were trading companies, 10% were fibre producers/spinners/weavers and 10% were wholesalers/distributors.

This edition focused on sustainable future visions, highlighting eco-friendly cotton yarns and recycled fibres within a circular economy framework.





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Visit of Officials from the Consulate General of India in Shanghai

Shri Pratik Mathur, Consul General, Indian Consulate along with three other officials visited the India Pavilion at Yarn Expo. He took a tour of the Texprocil India pavilion and interacted with some of the exhibitors. He then proceeded to the Council's booth, where the Kasturi Cotton Bharat program was explained, including K-Track traceability demonstration. The Texprocil India Pavilion was inaugurated by him with Shri Dharmendra Goyal and Shri Rahul Shah, CoA members and TEXPROCIL representatives, Mr. Murali Balkrishna, Joint Director & Mr. Akshay Buchade, Asst. Director, Kasturi Cotton Bharat. He was then presented him with a memento of the Kasturi T shirt, Visiting Card Holder and Key Chain. Later he visited the Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics Show and interacted with the 3 Indian exhibitors.

Promotion of Kasturi Cotton Bharat programme



The Council promoted the Kasturi Cotton Bharat programme at the booth in Hall 8.2. Meetings were held with 4 leading brands/ sourcing companies as follows:

- Lindex Group European Fashion retailer specializing in ladies wear, kids wear, innerwear and lingerie with 450+ outlets across Europe
- H & M Group Global Fashion leader with a focus on sustainability
- Fuzhou Siemei Trade Co. Ltd One of the largest suppliers of fabrics to mills in Vietnam. Acts as a sourcing intermediary for regional textile manufacturers
- LC Waikiki Turkish-based fashion retailer with 1,500 stores globally. Strong presence in Turkey, North Africa, and Middle Eastern markets and recently commenced operations in India

The discussions were based on exploring opportunities to include Kasturi Cotton in the product lines, undertake pilot and trial using samples made out of Kasturi Cotton. In addition, the Council representatives presented the KCB program to other visitors at the booth.

Felicitation of the Council by Messe Frankfurt, Hong Kong

The Council was felicitated for organizing participation of its member exporters for 15 consecutive years. Senior officials from CCPIT, CNTAC and Messe Frankfurt Hong Kong, presented the trophy which was received on behalf of TEXPROCIL by Mr. Murali Balkrishna, Joint Director.

Overall Market Situation

Chinese manufacturers are increasingly sourcing yarn from ASEAN (Vietnam, Cambodia, Malaysia), supported by lower costs, shorter transit times, and Chinese investments in these countries.

Chinese importers are substituting Indian combed compact yarn with contamination-free carded yarn from ASEAN suppliers. The ban on Xinjiang cotton has also increased demand for polyester, CVC, and tri-blend yarns in women's wear.

Imports are largely routed through state-financed trading companies (e.g., Xiamen ITG, SDIC, Anhui Light). Small weaving/knitting





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mills (10-15 looms, mainly in Shaoxing & Ningbo) lack capacity for direct large-scale imports, making market access for Indian exporters difficult.

Despite the above challenges, the demand for yarn is picking up. After lacklustre visitor flow in the past 2 editions, this year the visitor flow to the Indian booths was much higher. Orders are being negotiated and some of the exhibitors also booked spot orders.

On account of the relatively low tariff rates, RMG manufacturing in Vietnam is expected to increase further, on account of which yarn will get consumed domestically. This will provide a window of opportunity to India to cater to the requirement in China.

The number of visitors from Europe and USA at Intertextile has reduced considerably from the past years. The speciality products exhibitors of embroidered fabrics and silk fabrics had a steady flow of visitors to their booth. The exhibitor in the 'Beyond Denim' pavilion was happy with the response and has expressed interest to participate in the March edition.

Alongside yarn, India should promote exports of fabrics (e.g., coarse counts for towels, denim) to enhance value addition and strengthen supply links with Chinese manufacturers.

In today's global trade environment, instant digital communication is essential for business transactions. While Indian exporters rely heavily on WhatsApp, their Chinese counterparts primarily use WeChat, creating a communication gap due to the ban on Chinese apps. This barrier hampers real-time engagement, delays decision-making, and restricts trade facilitation between India and China. To address this, the Government should explore the creation of a secure common communication platform for bilateral trade and consider easing restrictions on WeChat specifically for business use, thereby strengthening commercial engagement and enhancing ease of doing business.

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Cotton Import Duty Exemption upto 31st December 2025 - A timely relief - SIMA

The predominantly cotton based textile industry while thanking the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modiji, for exempting 11% import duty on all varieties of cotton from 19th August 2025 to 30th September 2025 and had appealed to give further time extension to take advantage of the import exemption benefit, the Government has extended the same upto 31st December 2025 to derive the benefit, since the normal lead time required to import cotton is around 3 months. The extension has come as a timely relief for the textile industry, which was severely impacted by the sudden imposition of an abnormal 50% tariff by the US on Indian goods.

India being the fastest growing economy in the World, resilient in nature and having dynamic leadership could convert the huge challenges posed during Covid period into opportunities and became more stronger. The business size of Indian textiles and clothing industry is around USD 172 Bn including the export is USD 37 Bn. Given the strong domestic market of USD 135 billion, even an additional growth of 7-8% in the indigenous market can significantly offset the USD 10-11 billion worth of exports to the US. Hence, the industry need not panic, instead focus on identifying new markets while simultaneously strengthening its presence in the domestic market.

In a press meet held on 28th August 2025 in Coimbatore, Dr S K Sundararaman, Chairman, SIMA and Mr Ravi Sam, Vice-Chairman, TEXPROCIL while addressing the press thanked the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modiii, Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance, Smt Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, Shri Giriraj Singh and Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan for the timely extension of the exemption of import duty on cotton, so as to enable the textile exporters, not only to meet the existing export commitments but also to grab the summer market opportunities. They also expressed their gratitude to the Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, Coimbatore South Constituency, Smt. Vanathi Sriniyasan, for joining the industry delegation that met the Hon'ble Union Finance Minister and for her efforts in securing the import duty exemption as well as its subsequent extension.

They pointed out the apprehension prevailing that the import duty exemption during the beginning of the cotton season might impact cotton farmers. However, it was noted that the 11% import duty was imposed at a time when India was exporting around 30-50 lakh bales (170 kg each) of cotton annually. Currently, cotton production has fallen below 295 lakh bales against an industry requirement of about 318 lakh bales, as estimated by the Committee on Cotton Production and Consumption (CoCPC). This has resulted in the lowest closing stock in history; leading to a shortage of raw material that could severely affect the highly capital-intensive cotton value chain, which provides direct employment to nearly 35 million people. It is essential to make the cotton available at an Internationally competitive price for the industry to grow and fully consume the home-grown cotton and also enable the country to export the cotton when the production becomes surplus. The farmer is mainly affected due to significant drop in productivity and deterioration in fibre quality. Realising the urgent need to address these issues, the Government has already allocated Rs. 5,900 Cr and Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan and Hon'ble Minister of Textiles Shri Giriraj Singh launched the "Mission for Cotton Productivity" at Coimbatore on 11th July 2025. It may take 5-7 years for the country to become self-sufficient in meeting its cotton requirements; hence, duty-free import and export of cotton would serve as a win-win strategy for both cotton farmers and the industry. It may be noted that the farmer is protected by the Minimum Support Price that is constantly increased to take care of the increase in cost of production.

Dr S K Sundararaman, Chairman SIMA and Mr Ravi Sam, Vice-Chairman, TEXPROCIL stated that the Government is having frequent meetings with the Export Promotion Councils and the Industry Associations and likely to finalize a slew of relief measures and path breaking policy initiatives that would enable achievement of exponential growth rate in the domestic market. The Government is also facilitating the industry in reaching new markets and by leading senior level delegation to different countries including Japan, Australia, UK, UAE, Switzerland, etc with whom India had already singed FTAs. The Government is also making fast progress in concluding the Free Trade Agreement (FTAs) with the EU and other potential countries, irrespective of the size of the Country, since it would throw enormous market opportunities in the coming years, as most of the countries across the globe have already started looking at India as the reliable and genuine supplier for the textile & clothing products due to the prolonged geopolitical disruptions prevailing in different countries.

They stated that the Government might consider addressing the GST duty inversion in the MMF value chain and slotting the entire value chain in the 5% GST slab on par with cotton value chain thus making the Indian clothing products not only cheaper in India but also globally competitive.

They further said that the Government might also consider addressing the issues relating to Manmade fibre Quality Control Orders

and	thereby creating a level playing field and address the liquidity crunch. The industry has sought for
	Extending 2 years moratorium for the repayment of principal amount
	30% collateral free loan under ECLGS with 5% interest subvention as extended during Covid period
	Enhancement of export benefits relating to Duty Draw Back, RoSCTL (Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies) / RoDTEP (Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products), extension of RoSCTL for another 5 years and extending Pre and post shipment credit to all textile product exports including yarn, etc.

The requested policy interventions would enable the industry to capture new markets across the globe.

The industry is confident that India would convert the challenge of US tariff into an opportunity by increasing the domestic market size and also exports to other Countries, thereby achieve the Vision of increasing the business size to USD 350 Billion including the exports of USD 100 Billion by 2030.





Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman assures support to the Textile Industry





Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has assured the Indian textile industry of government support following recent US tariff hikes that threaten exports, jobs, and capacity utilization—especially in Tamil Nadu hubs like Coimbatore and Tiruppur.

A joint memorandum was submitted by textile industry associations and export promotion councils highlighting the following key concerns:

US Tariffs Impact: With the US accounting for 28% of India's textile exports, the tariff hike risks export growth, unit viability, and jobs (25-30% capacity already idle).

GST Issues: Calls were made to fix the inverted duty structure in the man-made fibre (MMF) chain, unify GST at 5% (as with cotton), and allow capital goods GST credit refunds.

The industry sought a comprehensive relief package, including:

- √ 2-year moratorium on loan repayments
- √ 30% collateral-free loans under ECLGS with 5% interest subvention
- Revival of the Focus Market Incentive Scheme
- √ 20% Duty Credit Scrip for US exports from Aug 27, 2025
- ✓ Efforts to retain US buyers and explore alternate markets

The Finance Minister acknowledged the challenges and promised to coordinate with the Commerce Ministry for solutions. The sector welcomed the extended import duty exemption on cotton (till Dec 31, 2025).

In view of the above, positive announcements are expected in the upcoming GST Council meetings. The industry hopes for urgent relief to sustain exports and employment.

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Trade Facilitation



Texprocil Delegation Meeting with Gujarat Government Officials



Shri Vijay Agarwal, Chairman, TEXPROCIL met with Ms. Mamta Verma, IAS, Principal Secretary, Industries & Mines Department, and Shri Swaroop P, IAS, Industries Commissioner, Government of Gujarat at their Office in Gandhinagar along with other Industry Leaders and Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL

A delegation comprising senior representatives from prominent textile companies in Gujarat, under the leadership of **Shri Vijay Agarwal**, Chairman, **TEXPROCIL**, met with key officials of the Government of Gujarat to discuss the recently announced **Gujarat Textile Policy 2024** and challenges facing the textile export sector. The meeting was held at the Industries & Mines Department Office in Gandhinagar.

The delegation comprised of Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL, Shri Ripple Patel, Fiotex Cotspin; Mr. Bharat M. Chhajer, Bumaco Fabrics; Shri P. R. Kankaria, Kankaria Textiles; Mr. Rajendra Mehta, Mahalaxmi Rubtech Ltd.; Senior representatives from Arvind and Welspun Group.

The prime objective of the meeting was to discuss the **Gujarat Textile Policy 2024** and its recently announced benefits. The delegation also sought government support in light of emerging challenges, particularly the **imposition of tariffs by the United States** on Indian textile exports and explore collaborative approaches between the government and industry to enhance global competitiveness.

The delegation appreciated the government's proactive steps in formulating a forward-looking textile policy and emphasized the need for **swift implementation of incentives**. Concerns were raised about the potential impact of U.S. tariffs on exports, and the need for **strategic interventions** such as market diversification support, trade facilitation, and policy alignment with central schemes.

Government officials assured the delegation of continued support and indicated openness to working closely with industry stakeholders to address emerging challenges.

The discussions focused on leveraging policy support to strengthen the industry's competitiveness amid global trade headwinds.





US Tariffs Hit Textile Sector: Stakeholders Appeal via State Leadership





Mr. Sudhakar Chowdary, a key representative in India's textile sector through his roles in SIMA, CITI, and TEXPROCIL, met with the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri N. Chandrababu Naidu, to address pressing concerns facing the industry. During the meeting, Mr. Chowdary submitted a memorandum urging the Chief Minister to write a Demi-Official (DO) letter to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. The request seeks a special relief package to support the textile industry in overcoming the adverse impacts of the recent US tariff measures.

Giriraj Singh reviews preparedness for Cotton MSP Operations for Kharif Season 2025-26

The Union Minister of Textiles, Mr. Giriraj Singh, chaired a high-level review meeting on 3rd September 2025 to assess the preparedness for Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations for cotton during the upcoming Kharif Marketing Season 2025-26 commencing from 1st October 2025.

The meeting was attended by Ms. Neelam Shami Rao, Secretary Textiles, Ms. Padmini Singla, Joint Secretary (Fibre), Mr. Lalit Kumar Gupta, CMD, Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) and other senior officials from Ministry of Textiles & the Cotton Corporation of India to assess the preparedness for Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations for cotton during the upcoming Kharif Marketing Season 2025-26 commencing from 1st October 2025.

Reiterating the Government's commitment to the welfare of cotton farmers, Mr. Giriraj Singh during the meeting assured that all kapas arriving under MSP guidelines will be procured without disruption, with a focus on timely, transparent, and farmer-centric service delivery. He reaffirmed Government's vision to protect the interest of cotton farmers by ensuring remunerative price for their produce and accelerate the shift towards a digitally empowered cotton ecosystem.

In line with the Government's Digital India vision, all processes-right from procurement of cotton by the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) under MSP operations to sale of stocks- are now completely faceless and paperless, strengthening farmers' and other stakeholders confidence and trust in MSP operations, said Union Minister.

For the first time, uniform norms have been laid down for the establishment of procurement centres, factoring in key parameters such as cotton cultivation area, availability of functional APMC yards and at least availability of one stock processing factory at cotton procurement centre.

As a result, a record 550 procurement centres have been set up across major cotton-producing states. Procurement of cotton under MSP will commence from 1stOctober in the North States, 15th October in the Central States and from 21st October 2025 in the South States. Starting this season, nationwide Aadhaar-based self-registration of cotton farmers and 7-day rolling slot booking will be facilitated via the newly launched 'Kapas-Kisaan' mobile app. This digital platform aims to streamline procurement operations, ensure transparency and enable direct Aadhaar-linked payments to farmers' bank accounts through the National Automated Clearing House (NACH). The SMS-based payment intimation service introduced last year will also continue.

To enhance on-ground support, Local Monitoring Committees (LMC) will be constituted at each APMC mandi for immediate grievance redressal by the States.

Additionally, dedicated state-level helplines and a Central CCI helpline will remain active throughout the procurement period. Adequate manpower deployment, logistics support and other infrastructural arrangements would be in place before commencement of cotton season.







Kasturi Cotton, Indian cotton's new standard is here.

Are you a part of it?

The Kasturi Cotton movement is steadily growing, recognized for its commitment to assured quality. With the addition of Extra-long Staple (ELS) cotton varieties measuring 34 mm+ and 35 mm+, Kasturi Cotton offers an even broader range of certified, tested cotton for a wide range of staple lengths.

What sets Kasturi Cotton apart?

The cutting-edge KC Track blockchain platform guarantees full traceability, ensuring authenticity from farm to finished product. Beyond premium quality, Kasturi Cotton plays a vital role in supporting farmer livelihoods through sustainable practices.

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QUICK ESTIMATES FOR TEXILES & CLOTHING (APRIL–JULY'25)



Trade Update

QUICK ESTIMATES FOR TEXILES & CLOTHING (APRIL - AUGUST' 25)						
Exports (Million USD)	AUG'24	AUG'25	% Change	APR'24- AUG'24	APR'25- AUG'25	% Change
Cotton Yarn/Fabs/made-ups, Handloom Products etc	1,009	985	-2.32%	4,896	4,866	-0.62%
Man-made Yarn/ Fabs/ made-ups etc.	419	406	-3.08%	1,990	1,995	0.24%
RMG of all Textiles	1,268	1,235	-2.65%	6,396	6,766	5.78%
Jute Mfg. Floor Covering	37	34	-8.35%	146	160	9.65%
Carpet	128	119	-7.22%	615	623	1.32%
Handicrafts excl. handmade carpet	152	152	-0.04%	699	704	0.69%
Textiles	1,746	1,697	-2.79%	8,347	8,348	0.02%
Apparel	1,268	1,235	-2.65%	6,396	6,766	5.78%
Textiles & Apparel	3,014	2,931	-2.73%	14,743	15,114	2.52%
All Commodities	32,890	35,104	6.73%	179,599	184,132	2.52%
% Share of T&C in Total Exports	9.16%	8.35%		8.21%	8.21%	

Imports (Million USD)	AUG'24	AUG'25	% Change	APR'24- AUG'24	APR'25- AUG'25	% Change
Cotton Raw & Waste	105	127	21.32%	343	510	48.75%
Textile yarn Fabric, made-up articles	229	227	-0.59%	994	1,080	8.67%

Source: DGCIS/MOC

- According to the quick estimates data released by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, exports of cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products etc from India declined by (-) 2.32% in August 2025 over August 2024.
- During Apr Aug'25, Indian cotton yarn/fabrics/made-ups, handloom products have slightly declined by (-) 0.62%.
- During Aug'25, Indian Textiles Exports declined by (-) 2.79% over the previous year while Apparel Exports have also declined by (-) 2.65% during the same time period.
- Cumulative Exports of Textiles and Apparel during August'25 have declined by (-) 2.73% over August'24
- During April-August'25, Indian Textiles Exports have registered a positive growth of 0.02% over the previous year while Apparel Exports registered a growth of 5.78% during the same time period. Overall T&A registered a growth of 2.52% during Apr-August'25.







Cluster Level Training of Cotton Farmers and Stakeholders on Occupational Safety and Health (OSH), Integrated Crop Management (ICM), Kasturi Cotton Bharat (KCB) and Sustainable Farming

Promoting Kasturi Cotton, ELS Cotton & Sustainability in Indian Cotton

The CITI Cotton Development & Research Association (CITI-CDRA) organized a comprehensive training programme for cotton farmers and stakeholders on 9th September 2025 at Sarwan, Ratlam, Madhya Pradesh. The programme placed a strong focus on advancing Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton varieties, clean cotton picking practices, and sustainable cotton production.

As per the MoU signed between TEXPROCIL and CITI-CDRA on 7th October 2024 (World Cotton Day), both organizations are committed to jointly implementing sustainability parameters in the sowing, growing, and reaping of cotton in India. This collaboration aims to strengthen the Kasturi Cotton Bharat (KCB) brand and align it with international sustainability compliances.

CITI-CDRA invited the Council to deliver a 30 minute presentation on Kasturi Cotton Bharat initiative during the training. The session was attended by around 170 farmers, along with representatives from seed and pesticide companies. The Kasturi Cotton team made a dedicated presentation highlighting the brand's focus on sustainable, high-quality, and fully traceable cotton.



Key Highlights of the Programme:

Guest Speakers:

Mrs. Bansari Nag (ILO-DWT) and Mr. Tsuyoshi Kawakami (ILO-DWT) emphasized the importance of occupational health & safety in farming. They educated farmers to adopt proper safety measures and protective gear while working in the cotton fields.

Kasturi Cotton Presentation:

Shri Udaysinh Kharat (TEXPROCIL) delivered a detailed presentation on the Kasturi Cotton brand, underscoring the uniqueness of ELS cotton from the Ratlam region, which holds a special identity in the textile market. Farmers were encouraged to supply clean, contamination controlled cotton to Kasturi Cotton registered ginning units.

Quality Concerns & Market Awareness:

Shri Rajiv Verma (NSL Textiles) discussed selection of appropriate seeds & issues related to the adulteration of short staple cotton by traders, which affects farmer's ability to secure fair prices, and also shared possible solutions to address these challenges.

Health, Safety & Farmer Welfare:

Shri Nitin Tomar (CITI-CDRA) presented the outline of the project, stressing that the initiative is not only aimed at increasing productivity, but also at ensuring the health, safety, and well-being of labours, farmers and their families.

Integrated Crop & Pest Management:

Shri Rakesh Patidar (CITI-CDRA) highlighted the importance of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), advising farmers on timely monitoring and preventive measures to enhance both yield and income.

Government & NGO Participation:

Representatives from various government departments and social organizations also guided the farmers:

- Shri Mangilal Kharari (Agriculture Department) **
- * Shri Naval Singh Medoria (Horticulture Department)
- * Shri Nirbhaysingh Nargesh (ATMA Department)
- * Shri Pankaj Gupta (Samarthan Sanstha - NGO)
- * Shri Animesh Khimla (New Life Center - NGO)





They provided insights on government schemes and shared technical knowledge relevant to cotton growing farmers.

The programme successfully combined health & safety, labour laws, technical knowledge, sustainability awareness, and farmer welfare initiatives, reinforcing the shared vision of building a stronger, sustainable future for Indian cotton under the Kasturi Cotton Bharat brand.









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TEXPROCIL organised Webinar with Beetle Regen Solutions and Regenagri Topic: "Can growing cotton remove carbon" **Growing Climate - Positive Fibers for a Traceable Supply Chain**



Growing cotton can be carbon-negative, meaning it removes carbon from the atmosphere, particularly when regenerative agricultural practices are used.

Beetle Regen and Regenagri hosted webinars exploring this potential, including an event on August 29, 2025, titled "Can **Growing Cotton Remove Carbon?"**

The objective of the Webinar is to bring together textile sector experts to explore how climate-positive fibres, grown using regenerative practices, can play a critical role in addressing the climate crisis and delivering value across the textile supply chain right from the power of regenerative practices for carbon sequestration in the soil, brands adopting regenerative fibers as a climate responsibility and the role of Life-cycle analysis and traceability to measure net GHG emissions.

Speakers during the Webinar were Shri. Keshav Kranthi, Chief Scientist at The International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC); Shri. Rajeev Baruah, Chief Strategic Advisor, Beetle Regen Solutions; Dr. Binay Kumar Choudhury, Chairman for Global Expert Team for Textile, Regional Technical Lead for APAC and Chairman at Control Union India; Shri. Amol Mishra, CEO, Beetle Regen Solutions and Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal, Executive Director, TEXPROCIL.

Beetle Regen has collaborated with Regenagri to implement and certify regenerative cotton projects in India. As of mid-2025, their combined projects had engaged tens of thousands of farmers and led to the certification of hundreds of thousands of regenerative cotton bales.

A 2024 Regenagri report highlighted successful outcomes from regenerative cotton initiatives. For example, some farms achieved an annual greenhouse gas reduction of 4.44 tonnes of CO2cap C cap O sub 2CO2 equivalent per hectare for cotton crops.

The agricultural methods discussed to achieve these results include:

No-till farming: Minimizing soil disturbance prevents stored carbon from being released back into the atmosphere.

Cover crops: Planting non-cash crops to keep the soil covered year-round enriches it with organic matter and increases its carbon storage capacity.

Biochar production: Transforming cotton stalks into biochar, which is then returned to the soil, offers a way to sequester carbon for centuries.

Reduced chemical inputs: Minimizing the use of synthetic fertilizers, which are a major source of nitrous oxide (a potent greenhouse gas), lowers the overall carbon footprint.

Verification and traceability: The webinar emphasized the role of life-cycle analysis and traceability. These tools are used to measure net greenhouse gas emissions and ensure a verifiable, climate-positive supply chain. The Regenagri program provides tools for measuring and verifying carbon emissions data, which can then be monetized by farmers as carbon credits.

Carbon storage beyond the farm: The webinar also addressed the fate of carbon in the finished textile product. Since cotton fibers are primarily cellulose, they store biogenic carbon. This carbon remains sequestered in the garment and is not released until the item is disposed of. Extending a garment's life or recycling it (e.g., into insulation) can prolong this carbon storage.





Innovating Beyond Tariffs: How the Textile Industry Can Stay Ahead

The global textile trade is navigating turbulent waters, with US tariffs presenting one of the toughest challenges for exporters. While these measures increase costs and strain competitiveness, they also serve as a wake-up call for the industry to transform. The answer lies not in resisting change, but in embracing **innovation across products, processes, and business models**.

1. Product Innovation: Moving Beyond Commodities

Tariffs hit hardest when products are seen as interchangeable. To break out of this trap, the industry must pivot toward **high-value and differentiated offerings**:

- Sustainable fibres like Kasturi Cotton, Organic Cotton, and RegenAgri Cotton, aligning with global ESG targets.
- Functional textiles with antimicrobial, UV-protective, or moisture-wicking properties, catering to healthcare, sports, and safety markets.
- Circular and recycled fabrics, meeting the growing demand for circular fashion and closed-loop supply chains.
- Smart blends and indigenous designs, creating uniqueness that commands premium pricing.

By innovating products, exporters reduce dependence on cost competitiveness and enter premium markets less affected by tariffs.

2. Process Innovation: Leaner, Greener, Smarter

Rising costs from tariffs can be offset through operational excellence and sustainability-driven processes:

- ❖ Automation & Industry 4.0 technologies for efficient production.
- Green manufacturing with renewable energy, waterless dyeing, and zero-liquid discharge systems.
- Digital traceability via blockchain and QR-based systems, giving buyers transparency and confidence.
- * Regenerative agriculture for carbon sequestration, transforming cotton into a climate-positive fibre.

Efficient, transparent, and sustainable processes make suppliers indispensable to brands that prioritize ESG compliance and speed-to-market.

3. Business Model Innovation: Rethinking Market Access

Perhaps the most transformative response lies in restructuring how business is done:

- Joint ventures and overseas units in tariff-free regions to gain last-mile market access.
- Vertical integration from fibre to fashion, reducing reliance on fragmented supply chains.
- Direct-to-consumer (D2C) platforms, allowing textile firms to build global brands online.
- Brand partnerships and co-creation, positioning exporters as innovation partners rather than commodity vendors.
- Carbon credits and climate branding, adding measurable value to sustainability initiatives.

By reimagining business models, the textile industry can create resilience, diversify revenue streams, and reduce overdependence on tariff-heavy markets.



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Policy Updates



Important Notifications on Policies & Procedures



Kindly get in touch with TEXPROCIL Grievance Redressal Cell for any clarifications, if required, on the herein shared notifications issued recently by the Council. The Member companies are appealed by the Council to send their suggestions sought on the various issues.



DGFT allows amendments to Unused Import Permits DGFT vide Public Notice No. 22/2025 dated 03.09.2025 has amended the Handbook of Procedures. 2023.

A new provision Para 4.53(e) has been introduced, allowing systemic and corrective amendments to unutilised and un-transferred DFIAs.

Members may now apply in ANF 4G [Application for issue of Transferable Duty Free Import Authorisation (DFIA) (including for ARO and Invalidation Letter)]. Such applications will be considered by the **Head of Office**.

The amendments permitted include:

- Correction in the unit of measurement
- Correction of ITC HS Code
- Correction in the import item value

This change shall provide exporters with greater flexibility and reduce procedural challenges in utilisation of DFIAs.

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/599wzjjw

Mandatory IEC Update as per FTP 2023: Annual Compliance

As you are aware, as per Para 2.05(d) of Foreign Trade Policy 2023, all IEC holders are mandatorily required to update their IEC details electronically every year between April and June. Even if there are no changes in your IEC particulars, you are required to submit an online confirmation. In this regard, the Council had received an important communication from the O/o Addl. DGFT, Mumbai.

Deactivation of Non-Updated IECs starting 16th September 2025

In accordance with Para 2.05(e) of FTP 2023, the DGFT has initiated the process of deactivating IECs that have not been updated within the stipulated timeframe. As on date, approximately 59,000 IECs have been identified for this action.

You may please note that -

• Two reminders will be sent to the concerned

exporters by the DGFT, advising them to modify or update their IECs details. If no action is taken, the deactivation will commence from 16th Sept. 2025.

- Additionally, a ticker/announcement will also be displayed on the DGFT website to alert exporters.
- Immediate Action Required from IEC Holders: IEC holders are advised to:
- Visit the DGFT portal
- Click on 'Update/Modify IEC' and promptly update your IEC details to avoid deactivation.
- TEXPROCIL is available to assist and guide you through the IEC update process to ensure your export operations continue smoothly. Please note that non-compliance may lead to deactivation of IECs which will disrupt your export activities.

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/y8tyyj7y

Key Recommendations of the 56th GST Council Meeting held on 3rd September 2025 - Revision GST Rates & **Trade Facilitation**

We wish to inform you that the 56^{th} GST Council Meeting, held on 3rd Sept. 2025 in New Delhi under the chairpersonship of Hon'ble Union Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, approved a series of reforms focused on multiple sectors and themes, aimed at improving citizens' lives and promoting ease of doing business, especially for small traders and entrepreneurs.

The GST Council has approved major reforms of the indirect tax structure by replacing the existing four-rate system (5%, 12%, 18% and 28%) with a simplified tworate structure of 5% and 18%, along with a special 40% rate for selected items.

Kindly refer to the PIB and FAQs issued by the Ministry of Finance on 03.09.2025.

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/y4cjh7ra

Gentle Reminder - Filing of Annual RoDTEP Return (ARR) through KPMG

This is with reference to the Council's earlier





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communication regarding the mandatory filing of the Annual RoDTEP Return (ARR) for exporters who have claimed RoDTEP benefits exceeding Rs.1 crore during FY 2023–24.

Members are advised to take note of the following RoDTEP guidelines while filing ARR:

- Exporters whose total RoDTEP claim in FY 2023–24 exceeded Rs.1 crore are mandatorily required to file an ARR.
 - The ARR must be filed for:
 - The ITC-HS code with the highest claim, and -Each individual ITC-HS code (at the 8-digit level) where the claim exceeds Rs.50 lakh, even if it is not the highest

Members may kindly make a note of the following important instructions

- DGFT had extended the deadline for filing ARR for FY 2023–24 from 31.3.2025 to 30.6.2025.
- A composition fee of Rs.10,000 is applicable for delayed filing up to 30.9.2025.
- A composition fee of Rs.20,000 will be applicable after 30.9.2025.
- After payment of the applicable fee, RoDTEP scrolls will resume within 45 days, until an online API-based message exchange between DGFT and Customs is established.
- No further extension shall be granted by the Government.
- Members are therefore urged to initiate the process immediately to ensure timely compliance.
 For any queries, clarification or assistance, please feel free to contact the Council (sybil@texprocil. org and annie@texprocil.org).

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/na6zyvm9



Policy Updates

E) List issued by Tuticorin Customs reg. IGST pending errors

Tuticorin Customs (INTUT1) has issued a list of Shipping Bills pending for IGST refunds due to various IGST errors. You may kindly make a note of the above and do the needful to avail IGST refunds.

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/mr3d6jat

F) DGFT amends Para 2.03(A)(i)(g) of FTP 2023 on import of QCO-regulated inputs under AA, EOUs & SEZs

DGFT's earlier Notification No.20/2025-26 dated 23.06.2025 had relaxed the EO period for textile imports exempted from QCO compliance as per HBP, while capping chemical imports at 180 days.

Now, vide Notification No.28/2025-26 dated 28.08.2025, DGFT has amended Para 2.03(A)(i)(g) of FTP 2023 to extend the EO period for chemical products to 18 months, providing exporters greater flexibility.

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/fnk5j6xp

G) Government extends import duty exemption on Cotton (HSN 5201) till 31.12.2025

As you are aware, the Government had earlier exempted import duty on cotton (HSN 5201) from 19.08.2025 to 30.09.2025 (Ref: Council's E-Serve No.145 dated 20.08.2025).

We are now happy to inform you that the Government has now extended this exemption till 31.12.2025 (Press Note dated 28.08.2025 and Notification No.35/2025 dated 19.8.2025 has been issued by CBIC.

This welcome step will ease raw material availability, lower costs and enhance competitiveness of our exports. The Council thanks the Government for this timely support.

Link of the Circular: https://tinyurl.com/mtpjr7n

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GST Reforms 2025

Policy Update - GST Reforms 2025: Relief for Common Man, Boost for Businesses Relief, Simplification, and Growth for All 04 September, 2025



India's \$180 billion Textile and Apparel Industry conveys

Heartfelt Gratitude to the Hon'ble Prime Minister and Hon'ble Ministers of Finance and Textiles

for landmark measures, which will







Eliminate duty inversion to ease cash flow & working capital



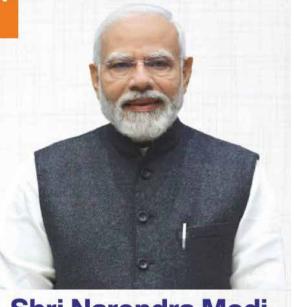
Ensure fibre neutrality, with man-made fibre having same GST rate as cotton



Ease registration & compliance procedures to help small businesses



investments & promote job creation



Shri Narendra Modi

Hon'ble Prime Minister of India

Providing impetus to Viksit Bharat & Aatmanirbhar Bharat missions









Key Takeaways

- GST simplified to a two-slab structure (5% & 18%)
- GST reforms cut taxes on household essentials (soaps, toothpaste, Indian breads) to 5% or Nil boosting affordability
- Life-saving drugs, medicines reduced from 12% to Nil or 5% making healthcare affordable
- ❖ Two-wheelers, small cars, TVs, ACs, cement cut from 28% to 18% bringing relief to middle-class.
- Farm machinery, irrigation equipment cut from 12% to 5%, reducing farming costs
- ❖ Tobacco, pan masala, aerated drinks, and luxury goods taxed at 40%.

Introduction

The Goods and Services Tax (GST), introduced on 1st July 2017, is India's most significant indirect tax reform since Independence. By bringing together multiple central and state taxes into a single, unified system, GST created a common national market, reduced the cascading of taxes, simplified compliance, and improved transparency. Over eight years, GST has steadily evolved through rate rationalisation and digitalization, becoming the backbone of India's indirect tax framework.

The 56th meeting of the GST Council, chaired by Union Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman has now approved Next-Gen GST reforms, with focus on improving the lives of the common man and ensuring ease of doing business for all, including small traders and businessmen. In his Independence Day address, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced-"The government will bring Next-Generation GST reforms, which will bring down tax burden on the common man. It will be a Diwali gift for you." The reforms, he said, would directly benefit the common man, farmers, MSMEs, women, youth, and middle-class families, while strengthening India's long-term growth.





GST Reforms 2025



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In line with the PM's vision the GST Council has recommended a comprehensive reform package that includes rate rationalization with a simplified two-slab structure (5% and 18%), sweeping rate reductions across sectors, with focus on common-man, labourintensive Industries, farmers and agriculture, health, key drivers of the economy. These recommendations are based on consensus among all members of the GST Council to make GST simpler, fairer, and more growth oriented.

The revised rates and exemptions will come into effect from 22nd September 2025, ensuring timely relief for the common man, households, farmers, and businesses. Only exception will be specified goods namely, cigarettes, chewing tobacco products like zarda, unmanufactured tobacco and beedi, for which the existing rates of GST and compensation cess will continue to apply and the new rates will be implemented at a later date to be notified, based on discharging of entire loan and interest liabilities on account of compensation cess.

7 Pillars of Next-Gen GST Reforms

Next-Gen GST reforms build on GST's success with a simplified 2-tier structure, fairer taxation, and digital filing for ease and faster refunds. They prioritize consumers by lowering rates on essentials and high-value items, empower MSMEs and manufacturers with smoother cash flows, strengthen state revenues, and boost demand driving consumption and manufacturing growth across India.





Shri. Ravi Sam, Vice Chairman of The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL) says, "... This has been a big, big relief as the government removed the cotton duty till December 2025. This relaxation of bringing down the three or four slabs into two slabs, most of the textile industry, 99 % is in 5%. The rest, like chemicals and dyes, are 18%. So it makes it very easy. Now with the festival season coming up, I think there's going to be a lot of interest and a lot of increase in business, which will really help the industry now..."

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7 Pillars of Next-Gen GST Reforms are:

- Pillar 1 Building on the success of GST. One Nation, One Tax Expanded the taxpayer base Simpler 2-tier system (5% & 18%)
- Pillar 2 Rationalising rates for fairer taxation. Smoother duty structures Faster processing of refunds
- Pillar 3 Simplifying filing through technology. Easy registration for small & low-risk businesses 90% upfront provisional refunds for exporters Digital compliance with e-invoicing Al-driven risk detection
- Pillar 4 Putting consumers first. Essential goods in the 0-5% bracket High-value items like cars down from 28% > 18%
- Pillar 5 Empowering MSMES & manufacturers. Fixed inverted duty structures Simpler rates to support Make in India
- Pillar 6 Stronger states, stronger Bharat. Sustainable revenue growth for all states Rationalised rates will increase demand
- Pillar 7 Lower taxes = Higher spending. Families buy more, demand rises, industries grow. Cheaper appliances, electronics will increase demand

Source: Ministry of Textiles

Next-Gen GST: Benefits for All

The Next-Generation GST reforms are designed not just to reduce tax rates, but to create a virtuous cycle of growth.

- Lower Prices, Higher Demand: Cheaper goods and services increase household savings and stimulate consumption.
- Support for MSMEs: Reduced rates on inputs like cement, auto parts, and handicrafts lower costs and make small businesses more competitive.
- Ease of Living: A two-rate structure means fewer disputes, quicker decisions, and simpler compliance.
- Wider Tax Net: Simpler rates encourage compliance, expanding the tax base and improving revenues.
- Support for Manufacturing: Correcting inverted duty structures boosts domestic value addition and exports.
- Revenue Growth: As seen in past reforms, lower rates with better compliance increase collections.
- ❖ Economic Momentum: Lower costs \rightarrow higher demand \rightarrow larger tax base \rightarrow stronger revenues \rightarrow sustainable growth.
- Social Protection: Exemption of GST on insurance and essential medicines strengthens household security and access to healthcare. Together, these reforms ensure that GST is citizen-centric, business-friendly, and aligned with India's global growth ambitions.

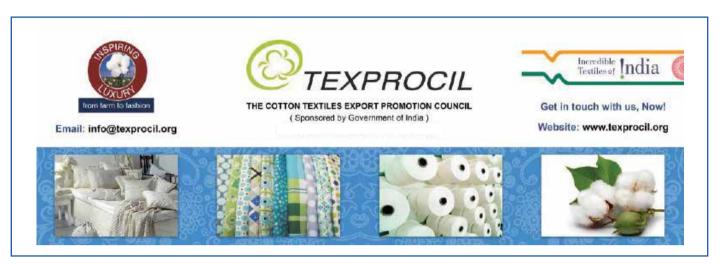






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As a part of TEXPROCIL's knowledge sharing initiatives, the Council is coming up regularly with various E-publications. The circulation of these publications, averaging to over 3000 avid readers, includes the Council's strong database of 2,000 nos. membership comprising manufacturers, exporters, traders of Indian cotton fibre, yarn, fabrics and madeups range of products.

The readership database also includes the contacts of textiles trade associations, government representatives, foreign missions, etc. which are being updated from time to time.

The Council has planned to offer an 'Advertisement Package' for the various Publications with a view to enhance the exposure of products and solutions being offered by various entities. We request you to kindly consider the advertisement opportunity as per details attached.

Publication details are as follows:

1. Newsletter - Published every fortnight

2. IBTEX - Published daily - Includes news clippings on articles of interest in T&C appearing in various publications.

Advertisement Package details are given below this column.

For further clarifications you may like to advise your office to kindly write to Mr. Rakesh Chinthal, IT Officer/ Mr. Rajesh Satam, Joint Director on email: rakesh@texprocil.org / raiesh@texprocil.org.

For queries related to advertisement booking kindly write to Mrs. Mrunal Sawant on email: mrunal@texprocil.org.

We look forward to receiving your enquiries / confirmation for availing the advertisement opportunity in publications of TEXPROCIL.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal **Executive Director**

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Trade Notification



Membership Renewal Subscription Fee for FY 2025-2026

Dear Member,

The Annual Renewal Subscription for the financial year 2025-2026 shall become due for payment on 1st April 2025.

The Annual Renewal membership fees is as follows:

1) Associate Members: Rs. 8000/-+18% GST = Rs. 9440/-

2) Ordinary Member: Rs. 14000/- + 18% GST = Rs. 16520/-

Exporters who wish to renew their membership for 3 years and 5 years are eligible for Special Discount of 10% and 15% respectively. This will be applicable w.e.f. 01.04.2025 only.

	Membership Fees		Discount	Discounted Fees		Benefit to Exporters	
	Associate	Ordinary	Slab	Associate	Ordinary	Associate	Ordinary
For 3 years	24,000	42,000	10%	21,600	37,800	2,400	4,200
For 5 years	40,000	70,000	15%	34,000	59,500	6,000	10,500

(Please note that 18% GST will be applicable on membership fees.)

Membership Renewal for 3 years including GST will be as follows:

Associate Member - Rs. 21600/- + 18% GST = Rs. 25488/-

Ordinary Member - Rs. 37800/- + 18% GST = Rs. 44604/-

Membership Renewal for 5 years including GST will be as follows:

Associate Member - Rs. 34000/- + 18% GST = Rs. 40120/-

Ordinary Member - Rs. 59500/- + 18% GST = Rs. 70210/-

Introducing a new category for small exporters:

Besides, in order to encourage small exporters and enable them to avail of the Council's services, the Committee of Administration of TEXPROCIL has decided to introduce a new category for Associate Members who are MSMEs with exports of less than Rs. 15 lakhs (or Nil Exports) in the previous financial year i.e. 2024-2025. Below is the Membership Renewal fee for such category:

Renewal - Associate Member - Rs. 2000/- + 18% GST = Rs. 2360/-

Note:

- 1. A Self-attested UDYAM REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE for F.Y. 2024-2025 is required
- 2. Self-Declaration for the export figures of the previous financial year i.e. 2024-2025 on the company letterhead duly stamped and signed by the partner or directors of the firm/company would also be required. (Format is enclosed and no other format will be accepted).
- 3. The new entrants who are falling under the above category will be charged Rs. 2950/- (Entrance Fee as Rs. 500/- + Annual Membership Fee as Rs. 2000/- + 18% GST).

Kindly ignore this email, if you have already renewed your membership for the year 2025-2026.

AMENDMENT OF e-RCMC

A nominal charge of Rs. 1000/- per amendment, excluding GST will be levied w.e.f. 01.04.2025.

SELF-DECLARATION

(To be submitted on the Firm/Company Letterhead)

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that M/s.	(Name and full address of the Firm/Company) having IE code No
, GST No	have exported Cotton / Cotton Yarn / Cotton Fabrics / Cotton Madeups (Excluding
Handloom Items / Readymade Garments and Silks	etc.) during the financial year 2024-2025 as under:

Sr. No.	Description	2024-2025 [Rs. FOB value]
1	Cotton	
2	Cotton Yarn	
3	Cotton Fabrics	
4	Cotton Madeups	
	TOTAL	

I hereby declare that the information related to this disclosure is complete and best to my knowledge and none of the above information is false or misrepresented and it is supported by financial statements & documents.

(Firm / Company Stamp)
(Signature of Proprietor / Partner / Director)

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