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Sub: Relief Measures for Exporters – RELIEF Scheme (Notification dated 19 March 2026)

Dear Madam / Sir,

We would like to inform you that DGFT has issued Notification No. 65/2025-26 dated 19 March 2026 ([copy enclosed](#)), introducing a special support scheme called RELIEF (Resilience & Logistics Intervention for Export Facilitation) to assist exporters affected by disruptions in the Gulf and West Asia region.

Due to ongoing geopolitical tensions in the Gulf/West Asia region, exporters are facing:

- Additional War Risk Premiums (AWRP), War Risk Surcharges (WRS), and Emergency Conflict Surcharges (ECS)
- Higher insurance and freight costs
- Delays due to longer shipping routes, vessel diversions and congestion

Objective:

The RELIEF Scheme is a time limited measure to reduce additional financial burden and ensure smooth continuation of exports.

Government Budget Allocation:

The Government has approved a total budget of ₹497 crore under the RELIEF Scheme, with component-wise allocation for various coverages which is as follows:

COMPONENTS

Component I: Enhanced Risk Coverage (through ECGC): Allocation Rs. 56Cr.

- Applicable to exporters already covered under ECGC
- Premiums will not increase beyond pre-disruption levels
- Coverage up to 100% of loss for war/political risks (subject to conditions)
- Applicable for shipments between 14 Feb 2026 to 15 Mar 2026
- Provided for shipments by FCL, LCL containers destined to UAE, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Iraq, Iran and Yemen for delivery or for transshipment (pass through that country and then go to another destination).

Component II: Support for New ECGC Policies, Allocation Rs. 159 Cr.

- Encourages exporters to obtain ECGC insurance for upcoming exports
- Premiums capped at pre-disruption levels
- Coverage up to 95% of loss (subject to conditions)
- Applicable for shipments between 16 Mar 2026 to 15 June 2026

Component III: Reimbursement Support for MSMEs: Allocation 282 Cr.

- Applicable to MSME exporters not covered under ECGC
- For CIF contracts, reimbursement of up to 50% of additional freight and insurance costs
- Covers war-related surcharges and increased logistics costs
- Maximum assistance: ₹50 lakh per exporter
- Applicable for shipments between 14 Feb 2026 to 15 Mar 2026

Implementation:

- The scheme will be implemented by the Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (ECGC)
- ECGC will act as the nodal agency for processing, verification and disbursement

Members exporting to or through the Gulf/West Asia region are advised to:

- Review their export exposure and logistics routes
- Obtain ECGC coverage wherever possible
- Maintain proper documentation for claims
- Act promptly as the scheme is time-bound and subject to budget availability

Members are advised to take note of the above scheme and evaluate its applicability to their export operations. Eligible exporters should take timely action to avail the benefits under the RELIEF Scheme, as the same is time-bound and subject to prescribed conditions. For any clarification or assistance, members may contact ECGC or Council at [sybil@texprocil.org](mailto:sybil@texprocil.org) ; [ramitha@texprocil.org](mailto:ramitha@texprocil.org)

Regards,

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