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TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE GOLD PANEL

Sub: Relaxation of condition for fulfillment of export obligation in respect of consignments of gold articles

Dear All,

We would like to inform you that the DFGT has issued the Public Notice No. 25 wherein in respect of export of gold jewellery and export of articles of gold, the following amendment has been made in Para 4A.8 (a) of HBoP:

(iii) “Bank certificate of realisation in Appendix 22A” will not be insisted upon so far as “proof of exports” is required as per RBI Circular No.25 dated 14.08.2013 or any other related guidelines issued by RBI or Ministry of Finance.

Now the exporters/importers can import/get their 20% gold consignment (under customs bond) released without waiting for the realization, if the other two requirements of Para 4A.8 (a) (i.e. E.P. copy of the shipping bill and Customs attested invoice) are satisfied.

Post RBI Circular No. 25 dated 14.08.2013 on revised guidelines (80: 20 - Domestic: export) on import of gold in the country and in absence of corresponding Customs Circular, the nominated banks/agencies/entities were not importing gold as dealing solely with export community is not a lucrative business for these nominated agencies. The Council at multiple forums of Government of India had raised the issue of issuance of corresponding Customs Circular to initiate the new revised gold policy to ensure the availability of gold for its member exporters in the country.

Department of Revenue had issued Customs Circular No. 34 dated 04.09.2013 wherein it was mentioned that proof of export (Bank Certificate of Realization) by the exporter shall be furnished in accordance with Para 4A.8 (a) of HBP V.1, to the nominated agencies as a proof of having exported the jewellery made from the duty free gold released to them within the period prescribed in the Foreign Trade Policy.

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The Council had strongly opposed the provision of “Bank Certificate of realization” as a proof of exports in the various meetings held with the Ministry of Finance and Commerce on the same and had categorically stated that if the Nominated agency has to obtain Bank Realization Certificate and submit to the customs officer before they are allowed to import the second consignment, it will not be possible for the Nominated Agency to import the next consignment for six months which will severely affect the ability of exporters to obtain metal for the manufacturing needs, resulting in cancellation of export orders and adversely affect India’s exports of jewellery.

As a result of consistent efforts, the provision of submission of “Bank Realization of Certificate “ as a proof of exports has been withdrawn only in case of export of gold jewellery and articles of gold.

Members may download the DGFT Public Notice from our website www.gjeepc.org

Thanking you,

With best regards,

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