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**TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

**Subject: Amendment in Para 4.44 of the Foreign Trade Policy**

Dear Members,

It gives us immense pleasure in informing all of you that the DGFT has issued a notification No. 15/2015-20 dated 25/06/2020 amending para 4.44 of the Foreign Trade Policy for export of cut & polished diamonds with re-import facility at zero duty.

Based on the representations received from Member exporters, this Council had immediately taken up the matter with the office of DGFT and had aggressively&persistently represented at the highest level of both Department of Commerce and Department of Revenue requesting for extension of time limit for re-import of cut & polished diamonds sent abroad for certification /grading purpose due to COVID-19. The issue was escalated and deliberated in every meeting held with the Government officials.

Looking into the genuineness of this grave issue and as a result of our sincere and earnest hard work, DGFT has issued the Notification No.15/2015-2020 dated 25.06.2020 providing the much-needed relief to the exporters extending the time limit, in view of COVID -19 pandemic, for re-import facility with zero duty from three months to six months for cases where last date for re-import is expiring between Feb 1, 2020 to July 31, 2020.

We will be co-ordinating with CBIC for the corresponding Customs Notification supporting the DGFT Notification for extension.

Members can download the DGFT Notification from our website [www.gjepc.org](http://www.gjepc.org)

Thanking you,

With best regards and best wishes,

**SABYASACHI RAY**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Encl: [click here to download DGFT Notification No.15/2015-20](#)

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