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### TRADE FACILITY NO.1/2015

# Sub:- Availing MEIS Benefit - Filing of Shipping Bill by SEZ Units - Reg.

As per Chapter 3 of the FTP 2015-2020 units in SEZ/EOU, engaged in manufacturing activities are eligible for MEIS (Merchandise Exports from India Scheme) incentive as applicable under the extant rules. The applications for availing MEIS benefit for exports from 01.04.2015 can be filed in the DGFT website, (<a href="http://dgft.gov.in/">http://dgft.gov.in/</a>) 'Online Ecom Application' and the claims to be filed to 'Cochin EPZ/SEZ', Office Code:39. In order to avail the benefit, the SEZ/EOU unit has to mention their intend to claim rewards under MEIS Scheme in the Shipping Bill, if they are eligible for the benefit for the product being exported as per Appendix – 3B, MEIS Schedule, HBP 2015-2020, Vol.II.

An application for claiming rewards under MEIS on exports (other than Export of goods through courier or foreign post offices using e-Commerce), shall be filed online, using digital signature, on DGFT website at http://dgft.gov.in with Cochin EPZ/SEZ (Office Code:39) in ANF 3A. Applicant shall file separate application for each port of export. The applicant shall submit the proof of landing in the manner prescribed under paragraph 3.03 of Hand book of procedures of Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20. Wherever the reward under MEIS for the product is available to all countries, proof of landing shall not be required to be submitted for claiming the reward.

## Exports through EDI Ports (EOUs):-

The relevant shipping bills and e BRC shall be linked with the on line application. If application is filed for exports made through EDI ports, then hard copy of the documents need not be submitted to this office. The applicant shall submit the proof of landing in the manner prescribed under paragraph 3.03 of HBP.

### Exports through Non EDI Ports (SEZ Units):-

In case application is filed for exports made through non EDI ports, then applicant need to submit export promotion copy of non EDI shipping bills to this office. The applicant shall submit the proof of landing in the manner prescribed under paragraph 3.03 of HBP. The applicant shall upload scanned copies of any other prescribed documents for claiming scrip unless specified otherwise.

However applicant need not submit hard copy of applications to DC, CSEZ, electronic Bank Realization Certificate (e-BRC) and RCMC in this case also.

In case of SEZ units, as per the scheme, the rewards are restricted for goods manufactured in India, which fulfill certain parameters, as specified in the DGFT Public Notices. Hence their intend to claim the reward under MEIS Scheme shall be mentioned in the Shipping Bill only after due verification of the eligibility of the exported item in the above Schedule. In case the unit declare their intend for an item which is not eligible for incentive under the MEIS Scheme, the unit will be kept under 'Watch' list and their future bills will be assessed and approved only after verification/inspection.

Further, it is also brought to notice that, in the case of Shipping Bills where the SEZ units declare their intend to claim MEIS benefit, the consignment has to be subjected to examination by the Customs Officials before stuffing.

The documents which are not required to be submitted in original shall be retained by the applicant for a period of 3 years from the date of issuance of scrip. Licensing Authority may call such documents in original at any time within 3 years. In case the applicant fails to submit the original documents on demand by Licensing Authority the applicant shall be liable to refund the rewards granted along with interest at the rate prescribed under Section 28 AA of Customs Act 1962, from the date of issuance of scrip. Eligibility of product, corresponding ITC [HS] code, and markets (as given in Appendix 3B) for claiming rewards under MEIS under Foreign Trade Policy 2015-2020 (FTP 2015-20) shall be determined from Let Export Date as per Paragraph 9.12 of HBP.

All are requested to take due care in filing the shipping bills and the MEIS applications and any difficulty faced in the process may be brought to the notice of the undersigned. The units may contact computer cell, CSEZ at 0484-2413216, (<a href="mailto:sunil@csez.gov.in">sunil@csez.gov.in</a>) for any assistance in this regard.

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