

## OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS हैदराबाद- सीमा शुल्क आयुक्तालय, लाल बहादुर स्टेडियम मार्ग, बशीरबाघ, हैदराबाद – ५००००४. HYDERABAD CUSTOMS COMMISSIONERATE, L.B.STADIUM ROAD: BASHEERBAGH: HYDERABAD-500004.

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**Subject**: Retrospective Issuance of Certificates of Origin under India's Trade Agreements – regarding.

Attention of the importers, exporters, Customs Brokers and all other stakeholders is invited to DGFT Trade Notice No.62/2019-2020 dated 06/04/2020 and Trade Notice No.59 dated 28/03/2020 regarding the retrospective issuance of preferential certificates of origin in the light of the exceptional circumstances caused by the lockdown / curfew in India due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 2. It is hereby informed that all such applications would be processed by the authorized agencies of India and the digitally signed copies transmitted to the applicants. The physical copies of the certificate signed by the agencies authorized to issue these certificates of origin could be issued subsequently once the offices of these agencies open.
- 3. The Indian agencies authorized to issue the certificate of origin have been instructed by the DGFT to levy the prescribed uniform fee of Rs.600/- for all preferential certificates, irrespective of whether they are retrospective or not.
- 4. In the context of the certificates issued on a digital platform, a request has also been made to the trading partners by the DGFT to accept the digitally signed certificates in the interim period until the exceptional circumstances on account of the COVID 19 pandemic is over. On submission of these digitally signed certificates or physical certificate of origin unsigned by the competent authority, the importing countries are requested to clear these consignments provisionally at preferential duty subject to any other conditions like an undertaking of bond.
- 5. India also stands ready to honor its preferential trade agreement and would clear consignments provisionally with digitally signed certificates or physical certificates unsigned by the competent authority. These consignments would be cleared provisionally at preferential duty with other conditions of submission such as bond or undertaking and appropriate security where required by Customs.

6. In case of difficulty, the matter may be brought to the notice of the undersigned immediately.

(J.S.Chandrashekar) Principal Commissioner

## Copy to:

- 1. The Chief Commissioner of GST and Customs, Hyderabad Zone, Hyderabad.
- 2. The Additional/ Joint Commissioner of Customs, Hyderabad.
- 3. The Deputy Commissioner of Customs, (ICD, Sanathnagar and ICD, Thimmapur) and Air Cargo Complex, Hyderabad.
- 4. The Representatives of Trade.