

Instruction No. 01/2026-Customs

F. No.401/04/2025-Cus.III
Government of India
Ministry of Finance,
Department of Revenue
(Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs)
Room No. 16049, Kartavya Bhawan, New Delhi

17-01-2026

To

All Principal Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners of Customs/ Customs (Preventive)/Customs & Central Taxes.
All Principal Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs /Customs (Preventive).
All Pr. Director General/Director Generals under CBIC.

Subject: Cross Recessed Screws (Quality Control) Order, 2025 dated 27.08.2025-regarding.

Madam/Sir,

Reference is invited to the Ministry of Steel's Order dated 13.01.2026, issued from file No. S-20011/15/2024-Tech-Part(2) (copy attached) on the above subject.

2. Vide the above Order, the Ministry of Steel has informed that Cross Recessed Screws (Quality Control) Order, 2025 dated 27th Aug 25 on Cross Recessed Screws was issued by Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, with effective date of implementation as 1st November 2025, except for Small and Micro Enterprises for whom the implementation dates have been notified as 1st February, 2026 and 1st May, 2026 respectively.

3. Subsequently, work related to Iron and Steel products falling under Chapter 72 (4 HSN Codes) and Chapter 73 (250 HSN Codes) has been transferred by DPIIT to Ministry of Steel vide O.M. Dated 04th November, 2025. Ministry of Steel was in receipt of various representations seeking one time exemption for aforesaid QCO compliance for the consignments already arrived at port. In view of above, consignments having inward entry date between 1st November 2025 to 12th January 2026 are exempted from quality control order.

4. It is requested that necessary action may be taken to sensitize officers under your jurisdiction regarding the said matter.

5. The difficulties, if any, may be brought to the notice of the Board.

Hindi version follows.

Encls: as above.

Digitally signed by
Neeraj Goyal

Date: 17-01-2026

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Yours faithfully,

(Neeraj Goyal)
OSD (Cus-III)

F. No. S-20011/15/2024-TECH-Part(2)
Ministry of Steel
Government of India
Technical Division

GPOA-3 , Netaji Nagar
Dated: 13th January, 2026.

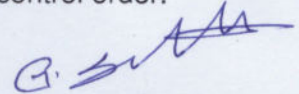
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- (a) The Chairman, CBIC, D/o Revenue, M/o Finance.
- (b) The Director General, Bureau of Indian Standard.