Government of India Ministry of Commerce & Industry Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade Vanijya Bhawan

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Subject: Enabling provisions for import of inputs that are subjected to mandatory Quality Control Orders (QCOs) by Advance Authorisation holders, EOU and SEZ - Regarding.

S.O. (E) In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 read with Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 (No. 22 of 1992), as amended, read with Para 1.02 and 2.03 of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP), 2023, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments relating to Advance Authorisation in para 2.30(A) (i)(g) of FTP, 2023, notified vide Notification No. 71/2023 dated 11.03.2024, with immediate effect (changes made are indicated in bold letters):

Existing Policy	Revised Policy
[para 2.30(A) (i) (g)]	[para 2.30(A) (i) (g)]
	The Export Obligation period for such
authorizations shall be as per 4.40 of	
Handbook of Procedures. However, EO	
	period is restricted to 180 days from the
	date of clearance of import consignments
in respect of QCO exemption for textile	
	and chemical Products, notified by
	Ministry of Textiles and Department of
	Chemicals & Petro-chemicals (DCPC)
	respectively.

<u>Effect of this Notification</u>: Enabling provisions are made for exempting inputs imported by Advance Authorisation holders, EOU and SEZ, from mandatory Quality Control Orders (QCOs). Also, DCPC have been notified in Appendix 2Y of FTP, 2023. The EO Period for the products of Ministry of Textiles and the DCPC is restricted to 180 days from the date of clearance of import consignments in respect of QCO exemption.

This issue with the approval of the Minister of Commerce & Industry.

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