

28th January, 2021 / 18527

Shri Akshay SC

Dy. Director General of Foreign Trade
Directorate General of Foreign Trade
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Government of India
New Delhi

Dear Sir,

Sub: Inclusion of Mundra as a Town of Export Excellence (ToEE) under Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) for Chemicals, Electronics, Engineering and Textile Sectors.

Ref: Your letter No.01/94/180/05/AM-21/PC-1/TEE/7 dated 3/12/2020.

We refer to your above letter requesting us to certify the exports done by DTA units present in the town of Mundra, and outside the SEZ for the sectors like Chemicals, Electronics, Engineering and Textile sectors, individually for the past three years.

The town of Mundra has several small and medium industries in the DTA. However, GCCCI does not have a compilation of the production turnover of these small and medium scale industries. In this connection, we would like to state as under:

- a) FTP focus is to identify export potential production hubs. ToEE criterion does not prescribe that the export from DTA alone shall be taken into account. In fact, the only threshold requirement of notifying a ToEE is that the value of goods produced should be Rs 750 Cr (Para 1.35 of FTP). The FTP aim is to maximize the potential for these export production centers, and enable them to move up the value chain and also to tap new markets.
- b) Even towns in which SEZ is operational are export production centers. In the current list of notified ToEEs, several operational SEZs are functioning. Surat has an SEZ for G&J Sector, Ahmedabad has an SEZ for Textiles Sector (GIDC), Jaipur has SEZs for Handicraft (Mahindra World City), to name a few. Hence, excluding SEZ production hubs would be contrary to objective of ToEE policy.

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- c) At this juncture, we would like to point out to your good self that the benefits under MEIS and SEIS Schemes of FTP are entitled on exports from SEZ also.
- d) The details of economic activities of companies provided vide our letter dated 11.08.2020 are operational in the Mundra SEZ. Since, there is no specific requirement/criteria laid down in the FTP that the industries need to be located in DTA only, we plead that Mundra, having as Chemicals (Turnover FY2019-20 - Rs 873 Cr), Electronics (Turnover FY2019-20 - Rs 2481 Cr), Engineering (Turnover FY2019-20 - Rs 1199 Cr) Sectors, each of which are individually producing goods of value more than the required criterion, may kindly be considered for declaring Mundra as a ToEE for these Sectors.
- e) Only the Textiles sector in Mundra, the threshold is below 750Cr since the sector Turnover in FY2019-20 is Rs 539 Cr. However Textile Sector production is likely to cross 750 Cr in coming few years. .

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Once Mundra is recognized as a Town of Export Excellence, it is expected to receive more focus and would, consequently be able to attract large scale investment at a faster pace, which will lead to higher employment generation and higher export potential from Mundra, meeting the twin objectives of the FTP. In view of above, it is requested that your good offices may consider the request favourably and **notify Mundra as a ToEE for Chemicals, Electronics, and Engineering Sectors** having achieved the required criterion.

Thanking you,

Sincerely,



Yogendrakumar Trivedi

Secretary General

F.No. 01/94/180/05/AM-21/PC-1/TEE 74
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Reminder

Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi-11
Date: 2nd December, 2020

To

Shri Tanmay Mehta,
Secretary General,
Gujarat Chamber Building
Ashram Road,
Ahmedabad-380009

Subject: Proposal to develop Mundra, Pipavav and Hazira as a Town of Export Excellence under Foreign Trade Policy for Chemicals, Electronics, Engineering and Textile Sectors.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Directorate's letter of even number dated 24th August, 2020 on the above mentioned subject (Copy enclosed). The requisite information is still awaited.

2. Therefore, it is again requested to certify the exports done by DTA units only present in the town of Mundra and outside the Special Economic Zone (SEZ), for each of the four sectors namely - Chemicals, Electronics, Engineering and Textile Sectors individually for the past three years namely, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 to enable this office to take decision on the issue.

Yours sincerely

Encl: As above


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11th August, 2020

To,
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Respected Sir,

Greetings from Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI).

Sir, it is to bring to your kind notice that we have received a representation from Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd. (Letter attached) proposing to develop Mundra as a Town of Excellence under the Foreign Trade Policy.

Sir, the economic activity in port towns of Gujarat such as Mundra, Pipavav and Hazira has been continuously progressing due to the presence of modern state of the art ports. There are several industries, in the hinterland of these towns, that are already functional and are producing various products including Chemicals, Textiles and Electronic Goods.

Several Towns are notified as Towns of Exports Excellence under the Foreign Trade Policy in which the relevant industrial sectors are also mentioned. Associations of producers / units, in these towns of export excellence can obtain assistance under MAI scheme to improve export marketing. If these towns are recognized as a Town of Export Excellence, it will enable speedier development, and it will be able to attract investment at a faster pace, which will lead to higher employment generation and higher export potential from adjoining towns/villages.

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In view of above, we request you to kindly consider this proposal positively.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Tanmay Mehta
Secretary General

Encl: As mentioned above

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