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Subject: Automated Issuance of Free Sale and Commerce Certificates (FSC) — regarding.

In accordance with Paragraph 2.34 of the Handbook of Procedures (HBP), the Directorate issues Free Sale and Commerce Certificates to exporters for items not covered under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940. At present, upon online application by the exporter, the file is routed to the concerned Regional Authority (RA) for manual analysis, verification, and approval, which involves substantial processing time.

2. DGFT has been continuously striving for digitization and automation of the system to reduce compliance burdens and facilitate frictionless trade. In line with this approach, and as envisaged under Paragraph 1.04 (d) of the Handbook of Procedures (HBP), 2023 for the phased implementation of a rule-based, system-driven workflow with a risk-based management approach, the automated issuance of Free Sale and Commerce Certificates (FSC) is being enabled on the DGFT portal, subject to applicable conditions.

3. Key features of this automated issuance mechanism are as follows:

a. Eligible applications would be considered for automatic issuance in accordance with the prevailing framework. b. Applications requiring verification or those not meeting the automated processing parameters may continue to be routed to the concerned RA for manual processing. c. Certain auto-approved applications may subsequently be flagged to the concerned RA for review under the system's risk management parameters.

Effect of this Trade Notice : The automated issuance of Free Sale and Commerce Certificates (FSC) is introduced on the DGFT portal, transitioning from manual verification to a system-driven workflow to enable seamless, paperless processing and expected turnaround times for trade and industry.

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Government of Telangana
Fire Disaster Response Emergency and
Civil Defence Department, Hyderabad

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Sir/Madam,

**Sub : Telangana Fire, Disaster Response, Emergency and Civil Defence Department-Online Fire NOC Services-
Furnishing of Permanent Mobile Number and E-mail ID of the Owner/Developer/Organization for
ensuring continuity of access to application and previous NOC data-reg**

It has come to the notice of the Department that, in certain cases, the Mobile Number and E-mail ID furnished at the time of submission of online applications for Provisional NOC, Occupancy NOC, Renewal NOC and other related services belong to the applicant/consultant engaged for the project.

2. It is observed that, whenever the applicant/consultant subsequently changes or discontinues association with the project, the Owner/Developer/Organization may not have access to the Mobile Number and E-mail ID registered in the online system. Consequently, difficulties are being faced in accessing the earlier applications, retrieving previous NOC/application data and processing subsequent applications, including renewals and other related services.
3. In order to overcome the above difficulty and to ensure continuity of access to the project and application data irrespective of any change in the applicant/consultant, all stakeholders are requested to ensure that a valid and permanent Mobile Number and E-mail ID of the Owner/Developer/Organization are invariably furnished while submitting applications through the online system.
4. The Mobile Number and E-mail ID so furnished shall preferably be under the control of the concerned Owner/Developer/Organization and shall continue to remain accessible to them even in the event of any subsequent change of consultant, architect, applicant, employee or authorized representative associated with the project.
5. All the Stakeholder Associations/Organizations are, therefore, requested to -sensitize-their-members-suitably-and-advise-them-to-furnish-permanent-and-accessible --- contact particulars of the Owner/Developer/Organization while submitting applications to the Fire Services Department, so as to facilitate seamless retrieval of previous records and continuity in processing of Fire NOC related services.
6. The co-operation of all the stakeholders in ensuring compliance with the above is solicited.

Director General
*Telangana Fire, Disaster Response, Emergency &
Civil Defence Department , Hyderabad*

Certification of Origin & Attestation of Export Documents

The Chamber is recognized by the Government of India to issue Certificates of Origin for non-preferential countries. Export documents are also accepted as authentic by the Consular offices of various countries and international authorities.

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PRESS RELEASE
RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

September 01, 2026

Developments in India's Balance of Payments during the First Quarter (April-June) of 2026-27

Preliminary data on India's balance of payments (BoP) for the first quarter (Q1) of 2026-27, i.e., April-June 2026, are presented in Statements I and II.\

Key Features of India's BoP in Q1:2026-27

- India's current account deficit stood at US\$ 4.2 billion (0.5 per cent of GDP) in Q1:2026-27 as compared to US\$ 3.4 billion (0.4 per cent of GDP) in Q1:2025-26 (Table 1).
- Merchandise trade deficit at US\$ 86.1 billion in Q1:2026-27 was higher than US\$ 68.9 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- Net services receipts increased to US\$ 51.6 billion in Q1:2026-27 from US\$ 47.9 billion a year ago.
- Services exports have risen on a year-on-year basis in major categories such as computer services, other business services and transportation services.
- Net outgo on the primary income account, mainly reflecting payments of investment income, decreased to US\$ 10.5 billion in Q1:2026-27 from US\$ 13.3 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- Personal transfer receipts under secondary income account, mainly representing remittances by Indians employed overseas, rose to US\$ 42.9 billion in Q1:2026-27 from US\$ 33.2 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- In the financial account, foreign direct investment (FDI) recorded a net inflow of US\$ 6.1 billion in Q1:2026-27, higher than US\$ 5.2 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- Foreign portfolio investment (FPI) recorded a net outflow of US\$ 9.6 billion in Q1:2026-27 as against a net inflow of US\$ 1.6 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- Non-resident deposits (NRI deposits) recorded a net inflow of US\$ 2.8 billion in Q1:2026-27 as compared to US\$ 3.6 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- Net inflows under external commercial borrowings (ECBs) to India amounted to US\$ 3.3 billion in Q1:2026-27 as compared to US\$ 4.4 billion in Q1:2025-26.
- Foreign exchange reserves depleted by US\$ 8.1 billion (on a BoP basis) in Q1:2026-27 as against an accretion of US\$ 4.5 billion in Q1:2025-26 (For Table 1 visit : https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_PressReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=63493).

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