

**Chairman's Pen**

*My dear fellow exporters,*

*A large number of members file applications for fixation of SION, DEPB as also their modification for the Council to scrutinize such applications and send them to the DGFT. As per DGFT rules, an application has to be supported by similar applications by other member companies so that it is possible for the Council and the DGFT to compare the data and, accordingly, get an "industry" view of the same.*

*A major problem faced by the Council is that while a member files an application with the Council and when such information is circulated to other members of the same Panel requesting for data, this is not followed up by other members of the same Panel. As a result, it becomes difficult for the DGFT to take action on the application and the exporting community as a whole suffers.*

*I would, therefore, call upon members of the Council to support their fellow members by submitting application whenever such requests are made by the Council so that it is possible for the Council to generate "Industry Data" and not rely on the data submitted by one company only.*

*Yours sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Aman Chadha'.

(AMAN CHADHA)