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Circular



Shri Anupam Shah, Chairman, EEPC India is interacting with Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Minister of State for Commerce & Industry, Government of India at Hannover Messe 2015 in Hannover, Germany

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Chairman's Pen

My dear fellow exporters,

This is to inform you that World Bank Group has made some modifications in the methodology for 'Trading Across Borders' rankings for 'Doing Business' 2016. Key modifications include changes in the assumptions on the traded product, trading partner, mode and route of transportation, method of payment, as well as the methodology for inclusion of documents and calculation of time.

As per the new methodology, HS 85 would be used to see India's ranking in the 'Trading Across Borders' indicator for exports.

The questionnaire for 'Trading Across Borders' has also incorporated those changes this year. The changes in methodology, old methodology and new questionnaire are available in the Doing Business website on the following links.

Methodology for Trading Across Borders :

<http://www.doingbusiness.org/methodology/trading-across-borders>

Changes in methodology for Trading Across Borders :

<http://www.doingbusiness.org/~media/GIAWB/Doing%20Business/Documents/Methodology/DB16-TradingAcrossBorders-MethodologyChange.pdf>

New Questionnaire for Trading Across Borders :

<http://www.doingbusiness.org/~media/GIAWB/Doing%20Business/Documents/Methodology/Survey-Instruments/DB16/DB16-TAB-questionnaire.pdf>

Members are requested to fill up the questionnaire and send the same to dbtab@worldbank.org with a copy to sgupta@eepcindia.net; eepcho@eepcindia.net.

Yours sincerely,



(ANUPAM SHAH)

Overseas Market Information


Mozambique

Work to start to increase depth of Maputo port

The Maputo Port Development Company announced that it was currently selecting a company that would dredge the port access channel, increasing its depth from the current 11 metres to 14 metres to allow ships of up to 80,000 tonnes to enter the port and to reach its target of handling 40 million tonnes of cargo a year by 2020.

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Gaza gets 7 new agricultural processing units

Seven processing units for agricultural products are expected to be completed by May in the Irrigation Zone of Lower Limpopo, in Mozambique's Gaza province to reportedly benefit 4,000 farmers as part of an African Development Bank (ADB)-funded project, which aims to raise agricultural productivity in a 3,000 hectare area, particularly for grains and vegetable crops. ADB has invested US\$44 million in the Lower Limpopo Irrigation Project, as it is called, which began in 2013 and is scheduled to end in 2018.

Report of Engineering Panel

Period : April'13 - March'14 to April'14 - March'15

(Values in actual USD MN)

Sl. No.	Panel	April,2013 - March,2014	April,2014 - March,2015
1	A. Iron and Steel	20.93	13.68
2	B. Products of Iron	18.64	11.29
3	Copper and products	0.33	0.48
4	Aluminium and products	5.38	4.45
5	Zinc and products made of zinc	0.00	1.04
6	Nickel and products	0.00	0.00
7	Lead and products made of lead	0.00	0.03
8	Tin and products made of tin	0.00	0.00
9	Other non ferrous Metal	1.78	1.91
10	"Nuclear Reactors In"	1.15	0.71
11	IC Engines and Parts	0.17	0.13
12	Pumps of all types	1.88	1.43
13	Air condition and Refrigerator	1.47	3.97
14	Industrial Machinery	21.88	18.31

Sl. No.	Panel	April,2013 - March,2014	April,2014 - March,2015
15	Machine Tools	1.08	1.78
16	"Machinery for ATMs"	1.67	1.95
17	Electric Machinery	8.92	11.39
18	Motor Vehicle/cars	93.15	33.21
19	Two and Three Wheele	1.78	1.83
20	Auto Components/Parts	1.70	3.36
23	Medical and Scientific equipment	8.28	3.74
24	Railway Transport	6.97	0.47
25	"Hand Tools Cutting Tools"	0.36	0.26
26	" Electrodes Accumulator"	0.13	0.04
27	Accumulator and Battery	0.23	0.19
28	Bicycle & Parts	13.02	16.40
29	"Cranes Lifts & Winc"	1.35	3.16
30	Office Equipments	0.01	0.04
31	Other Construction Machinery	6.46	4.70
32	Prime Mica & Mica Product	0.00	0.00
33	OTHER MISC. ITEMS	0.67	0.94
Total Engineering Export		219.41	140.89

(Source : High Commission of India, Maputo & EEPC INDIA Statistics Department)

Thailand

Thai Board of Investment (BOI) approved promotional privileges for 793 investment projects worth a total of 217.56 billion baht in the first quarter of this year, over six times the value of approvals for the same period last year. Acting BOI secretary-general Ms. Hirunya Suchinai said that in the first quarter of last year investment projects gaining BOI approval were valued around 34.65 billion baht. In the first three months of this year, investment projects in many sectors received promotional privileges — services and public utilities, electrical and electronic products, chemical products, plastics, paper, metal products, machinery, transport equipment, agricultural products, light industry, basic metal products, ores and ceramics. The biggest single sector was services and public utilities at 60.57 billion baht, followed by 56.13 billion baht in electrical and electronic projects, and 35.85 billion baht in chemical, plastic and paper production.

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(Source : Embassy of India, Bangkok)

Tender Information**Afghanistan****(EEPC Ref. No. DB-1621)**

Project : Agricultural Inputs Project
Loan No. : TF 15003, TF 99595
Project ID No. : P120397
Grant from IDA

DB Ref. No. : WB2098-05/15

Issued by : Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock
Afghanistan Agricultural Inputs Project (AAIP)
Procurement Unit
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Bid No. : MAIL/WB/AAIP/ICB-003/G.022

For : Supply of Pick-up Vehicles; (36 Numbers).
A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be obtained free of charge by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address above or sending an e-mail to the address above.

Bid security : US\$ 70,000 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.

Bid deadline : 21.06.2015**Bangladesh****(EEPC Ref. No. DB-1622)**

Project : Health Sector Development Program
Loan No. : IDA 49540, TF 11556, TF 12281
Project ID No. : P118708
Credit from IDA

DB Ref. No. : WB2144-05/15

Issued by : Brigadier General Md Golam Rasul
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Procurement, Logistics and Supplies Management
DGHS, CMSD, Tejgaon, Dhaka, Bangladesh
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IFB No. : CMSD/HSM-1406/ICB/2014-2015/D-1/78**Package No. : HSM-1406**

For : Supply of "Analyzer Equipment".

Tender cost : Non-refundable fee of 4,000.00 (Taka four thousand) or in US\$ 50.00 (US Dollar Fifty) only.

Bid security : BDT 11,40,000.00 or US\$ 14,600.00 for item 1; BDT 1,60,000.00 or US\$ 2050.00 for item 2 and BDT 3,60,000 or US\$ 4600.00 for item 3. The bid security can also be issued at equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.

Bid deadline : 18.06.2015**Bangladesh****(EEPC Ref. No. DB-1623)**

Project : Health Sector Development Program
Loan No. : IDA 49540, TF 11556, TF 12281
Project ID No. : P118708
Credit from IDA

DB Ref. No. : WB2141-05/15

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IFB No. : CMSD/HSM-1415/ICB/2014-2015/D-5/93**Package No. : HSM-1415**

For : Supply of Radiology Equipment.

Tender cost : Non-refundable fee of 4,000.00 (Taka four thousand) or in US\$ 50.00 (US Dollar Fifty) only.

Bid security : Bangladesh Taka 33,00,000.00 or US\$ 42,000.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.

Bid deadline : 18.06.2015**Bangladesh****(EEPC Ref. No. DB-1624)**

Project : Health Sector Development Program
Loan No. : IDA 49540, TF 11556, TF 12281
Project ID No. : P118708
Credit from IDA

DB Ref. No. : WB2140-05/15

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IFB No. : CMSD/HSM-1408/ICB/2014-2015/D-5/96

Package No. : HSM-1408

For : Supply of "CT Scan Machine".
Tender cost : Non-refundable fee of 4,000.00 (Taka four thousand) or in US\$ 50.00 (US Dollar Fifty) only.
Bid security : Bangladesh Taka 80,00,000.00 or US\$ 1,00,000.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.
Bid deadline : **18.06.2015**

Bangladesh**(EEPC Ref. No. DB-1625)**

Project : Health Sector Development Program
Loan No. : IDA 49540, TF 11556, TF 12281
Project ID No. : P118708
Credit from IDA

DB Ref. No. : WB2126-05/15

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IFB No. : CMSD/HSM-1409/ICB/2014-2015/D-4/95**Package No. : HSM-1409**

For : Supply of "Linear Accelerator".
Tender cost : Non-refundable fee of 4,000.00 (Taka four thousand) or in US\$ 50.00 (US Dollar Fifty) only.
Bid security : Bangladesh Taka 36,00,000.00 or US\$ 46,000.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.
Bid deadline : **18.06.2015**

Bangladesh**(EEPC Ref. No. DB-1626)**

Project : Health Sector Development Program
Loan No. : IDA 49540, TF 11556, TF 12281
Project ID No. : P118708
Credit from IDA

DB Ref. No. : WB2124-05/15

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IFB No. : CMSD/HSM-1407(ICB)/2014-2015/D-2/94**Package No. : HSM-1407**

For : Supply of "MRI Machine".
Tender cost : Non-refundable fee of 4,000.00 (Taka four thousand) or in US\$ 50.00 (US Dollar Fifty) only.
Bid security : Bangladesh Taka 90,00,000.00 or US\$ 1,15,000.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.
Bid deadline : **18.06.2015**

*(Source : UN Development Business Website)***Kuwait****(EEPC Ref. No. MEED-1103)****Tender No. : MEW/45/2014-2015****Tender for : Electricity and water meters**

Tender details : Replacement, maintenance and installation of electricity and water meters and carrying out disconnection and connection works at the Capital, Farwaniya and Jahra governorates.

Bid bond : KD 50,000

Cost of tender : KD 1,000 documents

Closing date : **30.06.2015**

Issued by : Central Tenders Committee
Electricity & Water Ministry
PO Box 1070, Safat 13011, Kuwait
Tel. : (965) 2401200
Fax : (965) 2416574
E-mail : info@ctc.gov.kw
Website : www.ctc.gov.kw

Kuwait**(EEPC Ref. No. MEED-1104)****Tender No. : 81/2015/2016****Tender for : Scientific equipment**

Tender details : Supply, installation and operation of scientific equipment for a Faculty of Medicine's diseases section.

Bid bond : 2 per cent of tender price

Cost of tender : KD 75 documents

Closing date : **07.06.2015**

Issued by : Central Tenders Committee
Kuwait University
PO Box 1070, Safat 13011, Kuwait
Tel. : (965) 2401200
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E-mail : info@ctc.gov.kw
Website : www.ctc.gov.kw

Oman

(EEPC Ref. No. MEED-1105)

Tender No. : 68/2015

Tender for : **Field programme and research station equipment**

Tender details : Supply of materials and equipment for field programmes and research stations.

Cost of tender : RO 25 documents

Closing date : **04.06.2015**

Issued by : Agriculture & Fisheries Ministry
PO Box 467
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Tel. : (968) 24966300
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Website : www.maf.gov.om

Oman

(EEPC Ref. No. MEED-1106)

Tender No. : 71/2015

Tender for : **Spraying machines**

Tender details : Supply of high-pressure spraying machines.

Cost of tender : RO 115 documents

Closing date : **04.06.2015**

Issued by : Agriculture & Fisheries Ministry
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Website : www.maf.gov.om

Oman

(EEPC Ref. No. MEED-1107)

Tender No. : SQU.TC.05/15

Tender for : **Water pipes**

Tender details : Replacement of pipes for cold and hot water down services at a student residence complex.

Cost of tender : RO 25 documents

Closing date : **27.05.2015**

Issued by : Sultan Qaboos University
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Muscat 123, Oman
Tel. : (968) 24513333/24515081/24141111
Fax : (968) 24513158/24513013/24413391
Website : www.squ.edu.om

Qatar

(EEPC Ref. No. MEED-1108)

Tender No. : GTC 700/2014

Tender for : **Motorised valves and Scada integration**

Tender details : Design, supply, installation, testing and commissioning of motorised valves for existing and proposed district metering areas remotely operated from the NWCC including the construction of about 14.5 kilometres of 100-1,200mm diameter DI pipes and 30km of fibre optic cables, a water quality management/monitoring system and requirements for integration with the existing Scada system.

Bid bond : QR 5m

Cost of tender : QR 2,000 documents

Closing date : **25.06.2015**

Issued by : Qatar General Electricity & Water Corporation (Kahramaa)
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(Source : MEED.com website)

**Notification No. 31/2015-Customs**

Dated 7th May, 2015

Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise & Customs, Government of India, New Delhi has issued a **Notification No. 31/2015-Customs, dated 7th May, 2015** regarding **Further amendments Notification No. 12/2012 – Customs, dated 17th March, 2012**. The above Customs Notification has already been hosted in our **Website** (<http://www.eepcindia.com/download/150511145547.pdf>) for information of our Members.

Notification No. 43/2015-Customs (N.T.)

Dated 5th May, 2015

Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise & Customs, Government of India, New Delhi has issued a **Notification No. 43/2015-Customs (N.T.), dated 5th May, 2015** regarding **Rate of exchange of conversion of the foreign currency with effect from 6th May, 2015**. The above Customs Notification has already been hosted in our **Website** (<http://www.eepcindia.com/download/150511145654.pdf>) for information of our Members.

Notification No. 44/2015-Customs (N.T.)

Dated 7th May, 2015

Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise & Customs, Government of India, New Delhi has issued a **Notification No. 44/2015-Customs (N.T.), dated 7th May, 2015** regarding **Rate of exchange of conversion of the foreign currency with effect from 8th May, 2015**. The above Customs Notification has already been hosted in our **Website** (<http://www.eepcindia.com/download/150511145809.pdf>) for information of our Members.

Circular No. 1003/10/2015-CX

Dated 5th May, 2015

Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise & Customs, Government of India, New Delhi has issued a **Circular No. 1003/10/2015-CX, dated 5th May, 2015** regarding **Clarification regarding Cenvat Credit in transit sale through dealer - reg.** The above Central Excise Circular has already been hosted in our **Website** (<http://www.eepcindia.com/download/150511145913.pdf>) for information of our Members.

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