

Chairman's Pen

My dear fellow exporters,

The Director General of Foreign Trade, Dr. Anup K. Pujari in a recent meeting with members of the Council observed that the procedure for fixation of SION norms is laborious and takes a long time for such fixation. Moreover, some of the SION norms have been fixed for more than 10 years.

Dr. Pujari felt that this does not reflect dynamism of the Indian engineering industry and has requested for proposal from EEPC India members on how to quickly provide SION norms for Indian engineering exporters. One suggestion that he himself gave was that if the SION norms that had been fixed in some other countries particularly developed countries can become the basis by which any exporter can then apply to the DGFT for quick fixation of SION norms then such a system can be developed in India.

Accordingly, we request you to give your suggestion on new products which require SION fixation and how they can be quickly accepted by DGFT. Also, kindly mention how safeguards can be built to prevent misuse and any other suggestions that you can think of.

Your suggestion in this regard, may please be sent to us by sgupta@eepecindia.net, eepecho@eepecindia.net latest by February 28, 2013 so that we can take up your suggestion with the DGFT.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aman Chadha'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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