

Chairman's Pen

My dear fellow exporters,

You are aware that the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India has requested the Council to submit its Pre-budget Proposal for the year 2012-13. Considering serious fiscal crises, the Department of Commerce has requested that proposals should be serious in nature and have ample justification for seeking those suggestions. Therefore, proposals of small reduction/exemption in Custom/Excise Duties, Service Tax etc should be avoided unless they are absolutely necessary.

Also, the Council wishes to carryout a quick survey on the impact that Council's members feel will happen to their exports as a result of the downgrading of the US currency by S&P.

Accordingly, you are kindly requested to send your Pre-budget suggestions for the year 2012-13 to sgupta@eepcindia.net; eepcho@eepcindia.net so that these can be submitted to the Government for consideration and also forward your views/comments relating to EEPC India's quick survey on the impact of the downgrading of the US currency by S&P.

Yours sincerely,

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

(AMAN CHADHA)