

New Delhi, the 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2013

**Subject: Guidelines for sponsoring of project import by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.**

As per the Project Imports Regulations, 1986 and subsequent amendments there on, the Ministry of Food Processing Industries is the sponsoring authority for project imports relating to Food Processing industry. All food products including cold storage, cold room (including farm level pre-cooling) or industrial projects for preservation, storage or processing of agricultural, apiary, horticultural, dairy, poultry, aquatic and marine produce and meat at a concessional customs duty as applicable from time to time.

2. Application for availing the benefit under project import are required to apply for sponsorship in the format given in the Annexure. Application complete in all respect with documents / information are received along with the request for sponsorship for import of plant/ project specified in the Regulations, for which Ministry is the sponsoring authority, the Ministry will consider the issue sponsorship letter for the import of project.

3. In case, all the documents are not received but the company is receiving any grants from the cold chain/ mega food park unit of M/FPI, the same will be sponsored in consultation with the respective units. For other cases with incomplete documentation/ information, the company will be asked to furnish the clarification/ documents and the request will be processed on receipt of all the required clarification/ documents.

4. The sponsorship for project import will be subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The machinery could be imported at one port or at different port at a time or at different times for implementation of the same project subject to condition that time gap may not be more than a year;
- (ii) The recommendation will be as per Project Import Regulations as amended from time to time and subject to all other usual terms and conditions prescribed by the Central Board of Excise and Customs, Department of Revenue, Government of India.

5. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

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To

- (i) JS (JPM)/ JS(UV)/ JS(AP)/ JS(KP)/ EA(GB)
- (ii) PSA (TN), Computer Cell for uploading on the website

Copy to Sr PPS to Secretary (FPI)

**General information relating to application for seeking sponsorship for concessional rate of Customs duty under “Project Import” Scheme**

Application for grant of concessional rate of customs duty under “Project Import” Scheme in respect of imported machinery and equipment for initial setting up of the project/for effecting substantial expansion of the project is governed by the provisions under Project Import Regulation, 1986 as amended from time to time. The Ministry of Food Processing Industry (MOFPI) is the sponsoring Authority for all processed foods, cold storage, cold room (including farm level pre-cooling) or industrial projects for preservation, storage or processing of agricultural, apiary, horticultural, dairy, poultry, aquatic and marine produce and meat.

2. Organizations desirous of availing sponsorship for import of aforesaid project may submit application to MOFPI as per proforma prescribed at **Appendix-I, II & III.**
3. The application complete in all respect may be sent at the following address:

Economic Advisor,  
Ministry of Food Processing Industries,  
Panchsheel Bhawan, August Kranti Marg,  
New Delhi-110049.

**Application under ‘Project Import’ scheme**

Application for grant of Concessional rate of customs duty under ‘Project Import’ scheme in respect of imported machinery and equipments for initial setting up of the project / for effecting substantial expansion of the project located at -----

-----for M/s -----

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**Part-A**

Name & address of the Organisation	
Address of the firm/ factory/ Manufacturing Unit	
Item/s of Manufacture and Capacity of the Unit	
IEM Acknowledgement Number/ Date EM-1/ EM-2 Particulars for MSME / Date	
The address of the Commissioner of Customs through which the import is to be made	

**Part-B**

We do confirm that the items overleaf are capital goods as per specification essentially required for initial setting up of the project / for effecting substantial expansion of the project is located at ----- and are covered under Chapter 98.01 of the Customs Tariff Act.

We declare and confirm that the aforesaid item are eligible for concessional duty applicable for project import and are governed under Project import Regulations 1986 as amended from time to time.

I/ We shall be liable for any legal action & penalties as per relevant Customs Act as amended from time to time in case of diversion of the capital goods imported under Concessional duty or misuse of imported machineries and equipments.

Signature of Authorised Signatory

Name

Address

Contact No.

Seal of the Organisation

**List of Machineries and Equipments**

List of machineries and equipment proposed to be imported for initial setting up of the project / for effecting substantial expansion of the project located at-----  
 ----- (Address) by M/s -----  
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S. No.	Item description with specification	Qty	Source	CIF Value in Foreign Currency	CIF Value in Indian Currency	PI/PO Order No. and date

For M/s -----

Signature of Authorised Signatory  
 Name  
 Address  
 Contact No.

Seal of the Organisation

Attestation by Chartered Engineer

Signature

Name & Designation

Seal

**List of Documents / Information Required**

List of documents and information submitted for import of machineries and equipment for initial setting up of the project / for effecting substantial expansion of the project located at---  
----- (Address) by M/s -----  
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- (i) Copy of SSI registration for Small Scale Units and Industrial Entrepreneurial Memorandum for other units;
- (ii) The plant layout clearly indicating the machines already installed and new machines to be installed and progress made as on date of application;
- (iii) List of capital goods (4 copies) with specification being imported supported by Performa invoice from the machinery supplier;

For M/s -----

Signature of Authorized Signatory  
Name  
Address  
Contact No.  
Seal of the Organization