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**DGFT Notification No 26/2025-26 dated 22.8.2025 - non applicability on EOUs and SEZ units**

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Dear Sir(s)

Please refer to the DGFT Notification No 26/2025-26 dated 22.8.2025 (copy attached) regarding imposing MIP for import of Virgin Mutli-layer Paper Board (VPB) under ITC(HS) codes 48059100, 48059200, 48059300, 48109200 and 481099000 till 31.3.2026.

Our members have represented that it will affect their export competitiveness in the global market and have requested that the notification may be amended to state that MIP conditions will not be applicable in respect of EOUs and SEZ units in view of specific provisions in the FTP and SEZ Rules.

A similar provision was done vide DGFT Notification No 59/2015-2020 dated 21.2.2023 (copy attached) in respect of MIP conditions imposed in respect of import of cashew kernels (broken) under ITC(HS) Code 08013210 and cashew kernel (whole) under ITC(HS) Code 08013220.

This was done in view of the provisions in EOU scheme vide FTP 2023 para 6.01(d) (i) that EOUs can import all types of goods provided they are not prohibited. Similar provision is there in respect of SEZ vide SEZ Rule 27(1) that SEZ unit or Developer can import all types of goods except prohibited items. The relevant extracts of FTP and SEZ Rules are attached.

This is done because SEZs and EOUs are primarily for exports and exports should not become uncompetitive in the global market because of these import restrictions.

It is requested that amended notification may kindly be issued exempting SEZ and EOUs on the pattern of DGFT notification no 59/2015-20 dated 21.2.2023 in respect of import of cashew kernals (broken) and cashew kernals (whole).

**With regards,****(Alok Chaturvedi)**