Export Documentation

EIC & Its Role

- An advisory body to the Central govt., empowered under the Section 3 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act, 1963 (22 of 1963)
- Notify commodities which will be subject to quality control and/ or inspection prior to export,
- Establish standards of quality for such notified commodities, and
- Specify the type of quality control and / or inspection to be applied to such commodities.

EIC & EIA

- Section 7 of the Act for the purpose of implementing the various measures and policies formulated by the Export Inspection Council (EIC) five Export Inspection Agencies (EIAs) established;
- one each at Chennai S.O. Bhimavaram, Coimbtore, Hyderabad, Nagarcoil, Tuticorin, Vishakhapatnam, Nellore
- Delhi S.O. Jaipur, Indore, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Kanpur, Bhimavaram,
- Kochi S.O. Bangalore, Quillon, Mangalore
- Kolkata S.O. Bhubaneswar
- and Mumbai –S.O. Ahmadabad, Baroda, Gandhidham, Goa, Porbandar, Rajkot, Ratnagiri, Veraval

Services to trade

- Compliance CoO, e- health certificate, Authenticity, Pre –shipment Inspection, laboratory testing
- Pre Compliance Technical assistance, Recognition of laboratories, Recognition of Inspection Agencies, Residue Monitoring Plan, CQCTD

During Lockdown period

- Online CoO platform
- CoO on CDP (coo.dgft.gov.in) for Chile, SAFTA & SAPTA for Nepal, Korea before lockdown
- SAFTA & SAPMTA for other countries of South Asia, AIFTA for South East Asian Countries, IJCEPA for Japan, ISFTA for Sri Lanka, APTA for Asia Pacific countries mostly China,
- Online generated certificate acceptance: Indonesia
- Thailand & Vietnam DOC
- APTA china 11May onwards
- Manual GSP –Russia, USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, GSTP, IMCEPA -Malaysia, ISCECA - Singapore, ITFTA - Thailand, IMCECA - Mercosur countries

During Lockdown Period

- E-Health certification
- Online (<u>www.eicindia.gov.in</u>)
- Online fee payment
- Test reports w.r.t compliance parameters
- Health certificate generation
- Stamped, signed & scanned forwarded to official mailbox of importing authority
- Delivered to Exporters
- Case basis

Challenges

- Production facility arrangements –
- Social distancing
- Sanitary requirements
- Manpower control labour shortages, logistic disruptions
- Documentary evidences generation for having COVID 19 free status
- Implementation arrangements: infrastructure delay like development of harbours
- On -site FSMS Audit hassles
- Quality measures of importing country getting more stringent

Possible solutions

- Acceptance of online generated export documents from Indian authority by importing country authorities
- Verification access of compliance parameters by the manufacturing facilities through confirmation mode
- Overcoming stringent Quality measures via proactive means with awareness, training and knowledge.

Thank you

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