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All Members/All Members of the COA

Dear Sir(s),

Subject : Regarding seeking inputs on Tariffs and FTAs

We wish to inform that Ministry of Finance is working on a Government policy related timebound project alongwith other team in collaboration with the Exim Bank of India on 'Rationalizing India's Import Tariffs in general and in the context of FTAs/ RTAs'. This project includes two major areas, First, India's MFN and applied tariffs and Second, tariffs in the context of FTAs/RTAs/PTAs/CECAs.

While doing research in these areas, exporters / importers views would be very valuable. Hence, we request you to provide your inputs / suggestions to the attached questionnaire covering the important areas of the study. Your comments/views would help in portraying properly the issues/concerns of your products.

We would be very grateful to you if you could kindly send your response to the undersigned at the email <u>bharti@plexconcil.org</u> by 27th November 2019.

Members are requested to take note of the same and do the needful at the earliest.

With best regards, Yours sincerely,

Bharti Parave (Sr. Executive)

Study on the Rationalizing India's Import Tariffs in general and in the context of FTAs/RTAs/PTAs/CECAs

Questionnaire

- Are tariffs high in any import item related to your sector. Please give details and to what extent it can be lowered.
- Are tariffs low in any item in your sector which needs to be reviewed. If so please give details
- Is Inverted duty structure found in any item in your sector.
- Has US tariff Escalations and Withdrawal of GSP affected your sector. If so please give details.
- Has US-China Tariff(Trade-War) affected you. If so please give details.
- Has any tariff concessions under India's FTAs/RTAs/PTAs/CECAs affected you. If so please give details.
- Has any FTA/RTA/PTA/CECA resulted in inverted duty structure affecting your sector. If so please give details.
- Your views on RCEP and Indo-US FTA
- Do you think any new FTA is needed and what are the tariff concessions you can suggest for products in your sector.
- Do you want any renegotiation of existing FTAs. If so which FTA, why and for which items and tariff lines.
- Any suggestions regarding rationalizing India's tariffs in general and for sectors concerning you.
- Any Suggestions related to tariffs in FTAs/PTAs/RTAs/CECAs to help 'Make in India' while gaining greater market access for India's exports in general and for your sector in particular.
- Does the introduction of GST have any impact on the total import duties related to your sector for MFN duties or with respect to preferential duties in any FTA/RTA in particular.
- Any tariff related policies in your sector that are not in compliance with WTO norms. Does the recent WTO ruling on India's Export Promotion Schemes have any impact on imports/exports in your sector.