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Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Directorate General of Foreign Trade
(Export Cell)

H-Wing, Room No. 306
Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011

Dated: 03.08.2017

To

1. The Secretary (Environment Forests & Climate Change Department), Govt. of Mizoram, Aizawl - w.r.t. letter No.11012/40/99-FST dated 15.12.2016.
2. The Principal Secretary, Planning & Development, Environment & Forest and Cultural Affairs (Addl) Deptts., Govt. of Assam, Guwahati.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Principal Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Forest Deptt., Govt. of Manipur, Sanjenthong, Imphal - 795001.
5. The Secretary, Forests & Environment Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and HOFF, Govt. of Tripura, Agartala.
7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Department of Forests, Ecology, Environment and Wildlife, Kohima, Nagaland 797001.

Subject: Amendment in export policy of Muli Bamboo (*Melconna baccifera*) and policy for export of bamboo products made from bamboo obtained from legal source (except bamboo charcoal, bamboo pulp and unprocessed bamboo shoots).

Madam/Sir,

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) has received several representations including reference from Hon'ble Member of Parliament requesting of re-opening of export of Muli-bamboo considering its abundant availability and for encouraging sustainable use of bamboo and also to strengthen/develop rural economy in all the North Eastern States. The Shellac and Forest Product Export Promotion Council (SHEFEXIL), the concerned Export Promotion Council (EPC) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has also recommended for allowing export of Muli-bamboo in view of the high quality of bamboo in abundance.

2. Accordingly, this Directorate, in consultation with the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MOEF&CC) has revised the export policy of Muli-bamboo and also notified policy for export of bamboo products vide Notification No. 11/2015-20 dated 23.6.2017 (copy enclosed). Now, export of Muli-bamboo has been moved from 'Prohibited' to 'Free' category till 31.3.2019 subject to submission of proper documentation / Certificate of Origin (COO) and compliance of transit rule of the concerned State Forest Department. The COO shall be issued by concerned State Forest Department from where Muli-bamboo has been procured by the exporter.

- 3. Apart from Multi-bamboo, export of bamboo products made from bamboo obtained from legal source (except bamboo charcol, bamboo pulp and un-processed bamboo shoot) has also made 'Free' subject to condition as Notified vide Notification dated 23.06.2017.
- 4. In order to facilitate all the stakeholders and to avoid any confusion among the exporter and authorities issuing certificate on the format of COO, separate proformas has also been notified by DGFT vide Public Notice No. 15 dated 02.08.2017 (copy enclosed) for export of Multi-bamboo and bamboo products respectively.
- 5. You are, therefore, requested to disseminate the export policy of Multi- bamboo and bamboo products among the farmers / exporters and field formations of Forest Department in your state and instruct them to issue Certificate of Origin(COO) as per the proforma notified by DGFT vide Public Notice No. 15 dated 02.08.2017 subject to completion of other codal formalities.
- 6. This issues with the approval of Director General of Foreign Trade.


Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above[total 05 page]

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Copy alongwith copy of enclosures for information and necessary action to :

- 1. ✓ Shri Anjani Kumar Mohanty, DIG (Forests), SU Division, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MOEF&CC), Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi - 110003 . This is w.r.t. MOEF&CC's O.M. No. 5-4/2015-SU dated 03.07.2017 with a request that PCCF & HOFF of all the North Eastern States and other concerned authorities, as may deemed appropriate may please be informed of the export policy of Multi-bamboo and bamboo products.
- 2. Shri Vijay Shankar Pandey, Under Secretary EP(CAP), Deptt. of Commerce, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi w.r.t. O.M.No.12/1/2014-EP(CAP) Pt.1 dated 7.11.2016.
- 3. Shri S.Muthu Kumar, Under Secretary (FT-SA) Deptt. of Commerce, 427, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi w.r.t. O.M. No. 14/1/2016-FT(SA) dated 09.01.2017.
- 4. Shri Sumit Kumar Ghosh, Chairman, SHEFEXIL, Kolkata - w.r.t. letter No.SHEFEXIL/North East/Policy/2016-17, dated 16.5.2016.


 (Sanjay Kumar Tiwari)
 Dy. Director General of Foreign Trade

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Dated: 03.08.2017

Copy also to:

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3. Shri Sumit Kumar Ghosh, Chairman, SHEFEXIL, Kolkata - w.r.t. letter No.SHEFEXIL/North East/Policy/2016-17, dated 16.5.2016.
4. Shri K.L. Gada, M/s Aditi Brooms, 1/14 Aggarwal Nagar, Dr. Ambedakar Road, Matunga(C.R) Mumbai-400019
5. M/s Alauddin Export and Importer, Village and Post - Sadarashi, Distt. Karimganj, Assam.
6. M/s North East Federation on International Trade, Dosi Bhawan, Paltan Bazar, Guwahati (Assam) -781008
7. M/s R&K Fishing and Agro-Based Pvt. Ltd, Main Road(Mondomala)Patherkandi, Distt. Karimganj, Assam.
8. All Vangal Area Chief's Association, Patpuihmun, Churachandpur, Distt. Manipur-795122

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Notification No. 11/2015-2020
New Delhi, Dated: 23 June, 2017

Subject: Amendment in export policy of Muli Bamboo and export policy for bamboo products.

S.O.(E) In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 (No.22 of 1992), as amended, read with Para 1.02 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-20, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments, with immediate effect, in Chapter 14 of Schedule 2 of ITC(HS) Classification of Export & Import Items, as amended from time to time:

A. The existing entries against Sl. No. 90, Chapter 14 of Schedule 2 of ITC(HS) Classification, shall be substituted as follows:

Sl. No.	Tariff Item HS Code	Unit	Item Description	Export Policy	Nature of Restriction
90	1401 10 00	Tons	Muli Bamboo (melocanna baccifera)	Free till 31.03.2019	1. All the Muli Bamboo obtained from legal sources are permitted for export subject to proper documentation/Certificate of Origin(CoO) and compliance of transit rule of concerned State Forest Department for transportation. 2. The CoO shall be issued by the concerned State Forest Department from where Muli Bamboo has been procured by the exporter.

B. A new entry at Sl. No. 90 B in Chapter 14 of Schedule 2 of ITC(HS) Classification, shall be added as follows:-

Sl. No.	Tariff Item HS Code	Unit	Item Description	Export Policy	Nature of Restriction
90 B	1401 10 00	Either Tons or Square Meter or number	Bamboo products made from bamboo obtained from legal source; except bamboo charcoal, bamboo pulp and unprocessed bamboo shoots	Free	1. All the bamboo products made from bamboo obtained from legal sources are permitted for export subject to proper documentation/Certificate of Origin (CoO) proving that the bamboo used for making products has been obtained from legal sources. 2. The CoO shall be issued by the concerned State Forest Department/ Agriculture Department from where bamboo has been procured by the purchaser of making handicrafts/machine made products.

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Effect of this notification:

Export of Muli Bamboo till 31.03.2019 and bamboo products (except bamboo charcoal, bamboo pulp and unprocessed bamboo shoots) made from bamboo obtained from legal sources has been permitted.



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Public Notice No. 15 /2015-2020

New Delhi, dated the 02 August, 2017

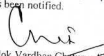
Subject:- Export policy of Multi-bamboo and bamboo products – Proforma for issue of Certificate of Origin (COO) regarding.

In exercise of the powers conferred under Paragraphs 2.04 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020, the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby notifies the following proforma for issue of Certificate of Origin (COO), as required vide Notification No. 11/2015-20 dated 23.06.2017 for export of Multi-bamboo (*Melconna baccifera*) and bamboo products made from bamboo obtained from legal source (except bamboo charcoal, bamboo pulp and unprocessed bamboo shoots) :-

- (a) **Appendix 2F(i):** Proforma for issue of COO by concerned State Forest Department from where Multi-bamboo (*Melconna baccifera*) has been procured by the exporter
- (b) **Appendix 2F(ii):** Proforma for issue of COO by concerned State Forest Department / Agriculture Department from where bamboo has been procured by the purchaser for making handicrafts/machine made products.

2. Effect of this Public Notice:

Proforma for obtaining Certificate of Origin (COO) for export of (i) Multi bamboo (*Melconna baccifera*); and (ii) Bamboo products made from bamboo obtained from legal source (except bamboo charcoal, bamboo pulp and unprocessed bamboo shoots) has been notified.


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APPENDIX - 2F(i)

Proforma for issue of Certificate of Origin(COO) for export of Multi-bamboo (*Melconna baccifera*)
(To be issued by the concerned State Forest Department)

Forest Department
State Government of -----
Certificate of Origin

Ref. Export of Multi-bamboo (*Melconna baccifera*) as per the provision of Export Policy

Certificate No.

Date:

1	Name and Address of Applicant	
2	Registration No. and date of registration (Attach a copy of registration)	
3	Address of location of goods in question	
4	Date(s) of inspection	
5	Transit Pass No. and date	
6	Source of Multi-bamboo (<i>Melconna baccifera</i>) Location and name of the State	
7	Details of quantity of Multi-bamboo (<i>Melconna baccifera</i>) proposed for export (In Metric Tons)	

1. It is certified that Multi-bamboo proposed for export has been obtained from legal source.
2. The certificate is valid for the period of two months from the date of issue.

Given this..... day of month and year at(place)

(Authorized signatory of State Government)

APPENDIX - 2F(ii)

Proforma for issue of Certificate of Origin(COO) for export of bamboo products
(To be issued by the concerned State Forest Department/ Agricultural Department)

Forest Department / Agriculture Department
State Government of _____
Certificate of Origin

Reference: Export of bamboo products as per the provision of export policy

Certificate No.

Date:

1	Name and Address of Applicant	
2	Registration No. and date of registration (attach a copy of registration)	
3	Address of location of goods in question	
4	Date(s) of inspection	
5	Transit Pass No. and date	
5	Source of Bamboo (Location and Name of the State)	
7	Details of bamboo products* proposed for export (in Metric Ton / Sq. Mt./ Number) Products (specify) Furniture : ----- units Mats : ----- units Artifacts : ----- units	

Note: *The finished products of definite shape are to be photographed with appropriate measuring tape/scale kept beside to give an indication of size and the photograph must be included and certified

1. It is certified that bamboo used for making its products has been verified to have been obtained from legal source.
2. The certificate is valid for the period of two months from the date of issue.

Given this..... day of month and year at(place)

(Authorized signatory of State Government)