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Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade

(Light Engineering Industry Section)

Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi

Date: 19 March, 2025

To,

The Chairman,
Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs
Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance
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**Subject:** Representations received from various Industry/ Industry Associations/ Organisations on implementation of Quality Control Order (QCOs) notified by DPIIT-reg.

## Sir,

This Department has received from various Industry/ Industry Associations/ Organisations on implementation of Quality Control Order (QCOs) notified by DPIIT.

- 2. It is to inform that the DPIIT has introduced several relaxations for easier implementation of the QCOs, however those are sometimes misused/misinterpreted by few vested interest groups. Therefore, we would like to clarify the following:
  - a. As regards to imports, the date of implementation indicated in the QCO for the large and medium enterprises should be considered. Only BIS marked products or non-BIS marked products with specific exemption stipulated in the QCO or specific NoC issued by DPIIT may be permitted for imports after the said date.
  - b. The goods landing at Indian ports on or after the due date must comply with the requirements of Quality Control Order.
  - c. The additional time period of 6 months and 3 months provided to Micro and Small Enterprises over and above the date of implementation for large and

medium enterprises, respectively under the QCOs does not apply to imports. This relaxation is meant for obtaining BIS licenses under the Conformity Assessment Rules of BIS considering their lack of adequate managerial and financial capabilities.

- d. Specific exemptions have been included in certain QCOs for imports of non-BIS marked products for certain specific purpose/conditions which inter alia includes the following: for the purpose of research & development (R&D); for use as spares for after sales & service and End of life models; for use/fitting into export product against valid export orders; non-availability in domestic market in adequate quantity and specific quality etc.
- 3. In addition to above, it is to inform that LEI section vide letter dated 12.02.2025 (copy enclosed) addressed to Customs House, Mundra has also clarified the applicability of the QCO.
- 4. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encls: as above

Yours faithfully,

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All Industry Associations