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Trade Notice No. 36/2026-27

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Subject: Amendments in Guidelines for Facilitating Logistics Interventions for Freight and Transport (LIFT) under Export Promotion Mission (EPM) — Niryat Disha – regarding

In continuation of Trade Notice No. 29/2025-26 dated 20th February 2026, the following amendments are made to the operational guidelines to ensure wider participation of exporters and also to facilitate enhanced support to MSMEs. These shall form part of the guidelines of the Facilitating Logistics Interventions for Freight and Transport (LIFT) intervention under Export Promotion Mission (EPM) - Niryat Disha, as issued earlier –

Para No.	Existing Text	Revised / Inserted Text
Policy Framework Para 2 (a)	The support under this initiative shall be limited to partial reimbursement of freight cost incurred by MSMEs for exporting notified products form identified districts.	The support under this initiative shall be limited to partial reimbursement of freight cost incurred by MSMEs **for all exportable merchandise of eligible MSMEs, (other than the export items included under negative list)** from identified districts.
Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 1 (a)	Exports originating from the districts as per the list under **Annexure-V** shall be the eligible for support under the Intervention.	Exports originating from the districts **as per the list under Annexure-I of this Trade Notice** shall be the eligible for support under the Intervention.
Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 1 (c)	Partial reimbursement of freight cost incurred shall be provided for: i. Shipment of exports from MSME premises to **Inland Container Depots (ICDs), Container Freight Stations (CFS), Sea Ports, Air Cargo**	Partial reimbursement of freight cost incurred shall be provided for: i. Shipment of exports from MSME premises to **Inland Container Depots (ICDs), Container Freight Stations (CFS), Sea Ports, Air Cargo Complex (ACC), Land Customs Station (LCS), Integrated Check Post (ICP) with attached CFS through rail, road or inland waterways.**

	Complex (ACC), through rail or road. ii. Additionally, shipment through air shall also be supported for **districts from Northeastern regions.**	ii. Additionally, shipment through air shall also be supported for districts **from Northeast, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh regions.**
Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 1 (d)	The list of eligible products is **notified under the Annexure-VI**	All exportable merchandise of eligible MSMEs shall eligible for support, **other than the export items included under negative list specified in Annexure-II of this Trade Notice**
Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 1 (e)	Given support shall be admissible only where the distance between the origin and destination is not less than **200 km for freight movements to an ICD, CFS, ACC or seaport.**	Given support shall be admissible only where the distance between the origin and destination is not less than **100 km for freight movements to an ICD, CFS, ACC, seaport, LCS or ICP attached with CFS.** Inland freight reimbursement will be **restricted up to 400 km, including multi-leg and multimodal movement**
Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 4 (c)	The application for availing benefits should clearly mention the description of the products ensuring it is **aligned with the list of identified products as per Annexure- VI.**	The application for availing benefits should clearly mention the description of the products ensuring it does not include **products in the negative list as per Annexure- II of this Trade Notice.**

Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 4 (d)	The following mandatory list of attachments shall be included with application for continuous tracking: i. Copy of invoice for shipment transportation ii. Proof of payment iii. Shipping Bill iv. E-Way Bill	The following mandatory list of attachments shall be included with application for continuous tracking: i. Copy of invoice for shipment transportation ii. Proof of payment iii. Shipping Bill iv. E-Way Bill v. **Bill of export accepted for land-frontier exports**
Inserted Operational and Procedural Guidelines Para 4 (f)		The financial liability of government is limited to the reimbursement for applications received and approved as per the guidelines within the available budget under LIFT intervention of EPM in the given financial year
Governance Structure Para 1 (e)	The Sub-Committee shall, inter alia, recommend the following: • Eligible districts. • Eligible products. • Applicable rates of reimbursement; and • Annual ceiling on admissible benefits. The current lists of eligible districts and eligible products are set out in **Annexure-V** and **Annexure-VI**, respectively.	The Sub-Committee shall, inter alia, recommend the following: • Eligible districts. • Eligible products. • Applicable rates of reimbursement; and • Annual ceiling on admissible benefits. The current lists of eligible districts and products and categories of exports in the negative list are specified in **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II of this Trade Notice** respectively. The Government reserves the right to make additions/modifications/deletions to the list of products/category of exports specified in Annexure II specified in this Trade Notice.
ANNEXURE - V to the TRADE NOTICE List of Eligible Districts	**List of Eligible Districts**	The List of Eligible Districts under LIFT has been **expanded to include 308 low export intensity districts in 21 States/UTs (Annexure-I to this Trade Notice)**

ANNEXURE - V to the TRADE NOTICE List of Eligible Products	**List of Eligible Products**	**Negative List of Products not eligible for support under LIFT** (Annexure-II to this Trade Notice)

2. The above revised provisions will come into effect from the date of issue of this Trade Notice and will apply prospectively, that is, only to exports in respect of Shipment of exports from MSME premises on or after 17.11.2026. Shipment of exports from MSME premises prior to the issue of the Trade Notice will continue to be governed by Trade Notice No. 29/2025-26 dated 20.02.2026, and no claim under the revised provisions will be admissible in respect of such exports.

3. All other provisions of Trade Notice No. 29/2025-26 dated 20th February 2026 shall remain unchanged. This Trade Notice is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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ANNEXURE - I to the TRADE NOTICE

List of Eligible Districts

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Districts/Eligible administrative regions
1.	Assam	All Districts
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	
3.	Himachal Pradesh	
4.	Jammu & Kashmir	
5.	Ladakh	
6.	Manipur	
7.	Meghalaya	
8.	Mizoram	
9.	Nagaland	
10.	Sikkim	
11.	Tripura	
12.	Uttarakhand	
13.	Bihar	
14.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands (2)	Nicobars, South Andamans
15.	Andhra Pradesh (1)	Kurnool
16.	Chhattisgarh (31)	Balod, Balodabazar-Bhatapara, Balrampur-Ramanujganj, Bastar, Bemetara, Bijapur, Bilaspur, Dakshin Bastar Dantewada, Dhamtari, Durg, Gariyaband, Janjgir-Champa, Jashpur, Kabirdham, Uttar Bastar Kanker, Kondagaon, Korba, Korea, Mahasamund, Mungeli, Narayanpur, Rajnandgaon, Surajpur, Surguja, Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi, Sukma, Sakti, Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur, Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chouki, Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandai, Sarangarh-Bilaigarh
17.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (1)	Diu
18.	Delhi (2)	North East, South East

19.	Gujarat (8)	Arvalli, Botad, Chhotaudepur, Dahod, Dangs, Mahisagar, Narmada, Tapi
20.	Haryana (7)	Charkhi Dadri, Fatehabad, Jind, Kaithal, Kurukshetra, Mahendragarh, Sirsa
21.	Jharkhand (19)	Chatra, Deoghar, Dhanbad, Dumka, Garhwa, Giridih, Gumla, Hazaribagh, Jamtara, Khunti, Koderma, Latehar, Lohardaga, Pakur, Palamu, Ramgarh, Sahebganj, Simdega, West Singhbhum
22.	Karnataka (14)	Bagalkote, Chamarajanagara, Chikkaballapura, Chikkamagaluru, Chitradurga, Davangere, Gadag, Haveri, Kalaburagi, Koppal, Shivamogga, Uttara Kannada, Vijayapura, Yadgir
23.	Kerala (5)	Idukki, Kannur, Kasaragod, Pathanamthitta, Wayanad
24.	Lakshadweep (1)	Lakshadweep District
25.	Madhya Pradesh (45)	Agar Malwa, Alirajpur, Anuppur, Ashoknagar, Balaghat, Barwani, Betul, Burhanpur, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Damoh, Datia, Dindori, Khandwa (East Nimar), Guna, Gwalior, Harda, Jabalpur, Jhabua, Katni, Khargone (West Nimar), Mandla, Mandsaur, Morena, Narmadapuram, Narsimhapur, Neemuch, Niwari, Panna, Rajgarh, Rewa, Sagar, Satna, Seoni, Shahdol, Shajapur, Sheopur, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Tikamgarh, Umaria, Vidisha, Mauganj, Maihar, Pandhurna
26.	Maharashtra (17)	Akola, Amravati, Beed, Bhandara, Chandrapur, Gadchiroli, Hingoli, Jalna, Latur, Nanded, Nandurbar, Dharashiv, Parbhani, Sindhudurg, Wardha, Washim, Yavatmal
27.	Odisha (17)	Balangir, Bargarh, Bhadrak, Boudh, Deogarh, Gajapati, Ganjam, Kandhamal, Kendrapara, Koraput, Malkangiri, Mayurbhanj, Nabarangpur, Nayagarh, Nuapada, Puri, Subarnapur (Sonepur)
28.	Puducherry (3)	Karaikal, Mahe, Yanam
29.	Punjab (9)	Faridkot, Fatehgarh Sahib, Fazilka, Gurdaspur, Malerkotla, Mansa, Pathankot, Rupnagar, Sri Muktsar Sahib
30.	Rajasthan (29)	Baran, Barmer, Bharatpur, Bundi, Churu, Dausa, Dholpur, Dungarpur, Ganganagar, Hanumangarh, Jaisalmer, Jalore, Jhalawar, Jhunjhunu, Karauli, Nagaur, Pali, Pratapgarh, Sawai Madhopur, Sikar, Tonk, Balotra, Beawar, Deeg, Didwana-Kuchaman, Khairthal-Tijara, Kotputli-Behror, Phalodi, Salumber

31.	Tamil Nadu (12)	Ariyalur, Dharmapuri, Nagapattinam, Perambalur, Ramanathapuram, Sivaganga, Thanjavur, The Nilgiris, Thiruvarur, Viluppuram, Mayiladuthurai, Kallakurichi
32.	Telangana (21)	Adilabad, Hanumakonda, Jagtial, Jangaon, Jayashankar Bhupalapally, Jogulamba Gadwal, Kamareddy, Karimnagar, Kumuram Bheem Asifabad, Mahabubabad, Mancherial, Mulugu, Nagarkurnool, Narayanpet, Nizamabad, Peddapalli, Rajanna Sircilla, Suryapet, Vikarabad, Wanaparthy, Warangal
33.	Uttar Pradesh (57)	Ambedkar Nagar, Amethi, Auraiya, Ayodhya, Azamgarh, Baghpat, Bahraich, Ballia, Balrampur, Banda, Barabanki, Bareilly, Basti, Bijnor, Budaun, Chandauli, Chitrakoot, Deoria, Etah, Etawah, Farrukhabad, Fatehpur, Firozabad, Ghazipur, Gonda, Gorakhpur, Hamirpur, Hardoi, Hathras, Jalaun, Jaunpur, Jhansi, Kannauj, Kanpur Dehat, Kasganj, Kaushambi, Kheri, Kushinagar, Lalitpur, Maharajganj, Mahoba, Mainpuri, Mau, Muzaffarnagar, Pilibhit, Pratapgarh, Prayagraj, Rae Bareli, Saharanpur, Sant Kabir Nagar, Shahjahanpur, Shamli, Shravasti, Siddharthnagar, Sitapur, Sultanpur, Varanasi
34.	West Bengal (7)	Birbhum, Cooch Behar, Dakshin Dinajpur, Jhargram, Kalimpong, Malda, Nadia

ANNEXURE - II to the TRADE NOTICE

Negative List of Products not eligible for support under LIFT

The following products and categories of exports will not be eligible for support under LIFT:

Sl. No.	Products/Categories of exports
1.	Re-export of imported goods
2.	Exports by SEZ/EOU/EHTP/STPI/BTP units, supplies to such units, and products manufactured by such units but exported through DTA units
3.	Deemed exports
4.	Ores, Slag & Ash (Chap-26)
5.	Rice (ITC(HS) 1006), except exports originating from eligible units located in the North-Eastern States, Uttarakhand and the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, subject to fulfilment of other conditions prescribed under LIFT
6.	Wheat of all kinds (ITC(HS) 1001)
7.	Sugar of all types under ITC(HS) 1701 and 1702 (except jaggery)
8.	Exports made by one exporter on behalf of another exporter, i.e. third party exports
9.	Frozen bovine meat falling under ITC(HS) heading 0202
10.	Ferro-alloys falling under ITC(HS) heading 7202