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Impex # 1

Restriction on Import of Certain Goods of Gold, Silver, Palladium, Rhodium, etc.

DGFT announce change in Import Polic for several products under Chapter 71 & Chapter 28.

Items under HSN 71102100, 71102900, 71103100, 71103900, 71104100 and 71104900 are "FREE" to be imported, however if import of Palladium, Rhodium and Iridium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is "Restricted".

Approx 10 HSN codes under Heading 2843 has been placed under "Restricted" category of Imports with immediate effect. (copy reproduced below)

Copy of Notification No. 18/2025-26 -DGFT | 17th June, 2025

Subject: Amendment in Import Policy of specific items covered under Chapter 71 of ITC (HS) 2022 of Schedule -I (Import Policy) -reg.

S.O. (E) In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 read with Section 5 of Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992, read with paragraph 1.02 and 2.01 of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2023, as amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments under Chapter 71 of Schedule -I (Import Policy) of ITC (HS) 2022, with immediate effect.

2. The Import Policy of the following ITC(HS) codes is amended as under:

ITC(HS) Code	Item Description	Existing Import Policy	Existing Import Policy Condition	Revised Import Policy Condition
71102100	- Palladium: - Free Unwrought or in powder form			However, import of Palladium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is Restricted.
71102900	- Palladium: - Other	Free	–	However, import of Palladium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is Restricted.
71103100	- Rhodium: - Unwrought or in powder form	Free	–	However, import of Rhodium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is Restricted.
71103900	- Rhodium: -Free Other	Free	–	However, import of Rhodium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is Restricted.
71104100	- Iridium, osmium and ruthenium: - Unwrought or in powder form	Free	–	However, import of Iridium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is Restricted.
71104900	- Iridium, osmium and ruthenium: - Other		–	However, import of Iridium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is Restricted.

Effect of the Notification: The Import Policy of items covered under the ITC (HS) codes 71102100, 71102900, 71103100, 71103900, 71104100 and 71104900 is "Free". However, import of Palladium, Rhodium and Iridium alloy consisting of gold more than 1 percent (1%) by weight is "Restricted".

Copy of Notification No. 19/2025-26 - DGFT | Dated: 17 June, 2025

Subject: Amendment in Import Policy of items covered under CTH 2843 under Chapter 28 of ITC (HS) 2022, Schedule -I (Import Policy) -reg.

S.O. (E) In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 and Section 5 of Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992, read with paragraph 1.02 and 2.01 of Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2023, as amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments under Chapter 28 of ITC (HS) 2022, Schedule -I (Import Policy), with immediate effect.

2. The Import Policy of the following ITC (HS) codes is amended as under:

ITC(HS) Code	Item Description	Existing Import Policy	Revised Import Policy
2843	Colloidal precious metals; inorganic or organic compounds of precious metals, whether or not chemically defined; amalgams of precious metals		
284310	- Colloidal precious metals		
28431010	- Of gold	Free	Restricted
28431020	- Of silver	Free	Restricted
28431090	- Other	Free	Restricted
28432100	- Silver compounds: - Silver nitrate	Free	Restricted
28432900	- Silver compounds: - Other	Free	Restricted
28433000	- Gold compounds	Free	Restricted
284390	Other compounds; amalgams		
28439011	- Other compounds: - Sodium aurous thiosulphate	Free	Restricted
28439012	- Other compounds: - Noble metal solutions of platinum, kg. 10% - rhodium and palladium	Free	Restricted
28439019	- Other compounds: - Other	Free	Restricted
28439020	- Amalgams	Free	Restricted

Effect of the Notification: The Import Policy of items covered under CTH 2843 is revised from "Free" to "Restricted", with immediate effect.

The Trade Connect ePlatform (www.trade.gov.in) which is launched by Minister of commerce and Industry is already offering various services to the Indian Exporters.

Now to offer one stop reference point for International Buyers and to discover accomplished Indian Exporter to source from India, the "Source from India" feature is available on the portal (trade.gov.in) for all the status holders.

All Status Holders (with valid IEC & Not in DEL) are eligible to login and create their own Micro Pages on the platform and promote their products on the official website.

The Government has sensitizes Indian Mission Abroad to use the Source from India as reference point for addressing needs of foreign buyers.

The Trade Notice provides the steps for registration and generating the Micro Pages on the portal. (copy reproduced below)

Copy of Trade Notice No.05/2025-26 - DGFT | Dated: 13 June 2025

Subject: Rollout of 'Source from India' on Trade Connect ePlatform for all Status Holders- reg.

Reference is drawn to Trade Connect ePlatform (www.trade.gov.in) launched by the Hon'ble Minister of Commerce and Industry to serve as comprehensive hub of information and services on international trade with all related stakeholders including Indian Missions Abroad, Export Promotion Councils, EXIM Bank, Dept of Commerce, DGFT et al.

2. 'Source from India', a flagship feature on the Trade Connect ePlatform was introduced to be a one stop reference point for international buyers to discover accomplished Indian Exporters to source from.

3. The feature allows exporters to create their own micropages where they can provide their product details as well as the credentials of their entity. Micropages of the exporters are publicly made visible on 'Source from India' page of Trade Connect ePlatform(<https://www.trade.gov.in/pages/source-from-india>) once approved. To start with, Three-, Four- and Five-star Manufacturer exporters had been previously invited to create their 'Source from India' micropages on a pilot basis.

4. It is now informed that the Source from India micropage hosting service on Trade Connect ePlatform will be available to all Status Holder exporters (with valid IECs not in DEL). Further broad basing of availability of the service to other IEC holders will be done going forward and changes will be notified once implemented.

5. Indian Missions Abroad have also been duly sensitised to use Source from India as a reference point for addressing sourcing needs of foreign buyers approaching the missions for requests to help find Indian suppliers for various products. 6. Export Promotion Councils and Industry associations are requested to inform their members about the same and encourage participation of all eligible members.

Detailed guide on steps for registration is annexed for reference link: <https://shorturl.at/UfbWL>

After the successful and speedy examination in Import Consignments with use of ICETABs, the CBIC has decided to extend the use of ICETABs in export clearance and examination from 19.06.2025

This new digital feature in export clearance and examination will do away with the any requirement of paper and also support seamless view of documents and details at the time of export examination.

Detailed circular link: <https://taxinformation.cbic.gov.in/view-pdf/1003282/ENG/Circulars>