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IMPORT OF SOPHISTICATED DYING MACHINES BY OUR EXPORTERS

I am directed to refer your letter No. 2015//PHMA/6/053 dated 04.08.2015 addressed to Ministry of Finance and copy endorsed to this office concerning the subject matter.

- 02. It is to clarify that EDB has no authority / nexus with the restriction on imports of Dyeing Machines, as mentioned in your letter at para 02. However, EDB is mandated to determine as to whether or not imported goods are being manufactured locally for the purpose of concessionary imports under relevant SROs/ Notifications.
- 03. It is pertinent to mention that subsequent to confirmation from local manufacturers of textile machinery, EDB has considered specific dying machines as not being manufactured locally.

Best regards,

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Ref: 2015/PHMA/6/053 Dated: 4th August, 2015

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SUBJECT: <u>IMPORT OF SOPHISTICATED DYEING MACHINES BY OUR</u> EXPORTERS.

Honourable Sir,

Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers & Exporters Association conveys its best wishes and compliments to your good self.

Several of our member exporters who want to import sophisticated dyeing machines with latest computerized technology for processing of high quality goods meant for exports are being told by Pakistan Customs that such dyeing machines are not allowed to be imported as Engineering Development Board restricts import of dyeing machines which are manufactured and available locally.

It is pertinent to state here that locally manufactured dyeing machines are obsolete old technology and do not have latest computerized functions and are neither energy efficient but involve additional labour leading to rise in the already high costs of doing business. Further the local manufacturers do not have research departments and they are just making copies of machines without any up-gradation.

Furthermore, the foreign manufacturers upgrade their dyeing machines with latest computerized functions in every upcoming model as they have proper research department and the imported dyeing machines have low liquor ratio saving Dyes, Chemical and Water and also have Teflon coating and Teflon sheets which prevent pilling of the cloth/fabric.

Sir, how can we perform Balancing, Modernization and Replacement (BMR) of machineries to compete in the Global Export Market with local obsolete dyeing machines with old technology?

In view of the dire necessity of our exporters to import fully computerized, latest technology, energy efficient (which is the need of the hour in the present grave energy crisis) and reduce the ever rising costs of doing business, and compete in the Global Market with Regional competitors, it is imperative that import of such latest, sophisticated, computerized and energy efficient dyeing machines are allowed without the least hassles and restriction.



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It is also proposed that the Engineering Development Board's list of machineries be revised and prepared with the consultation of the Value Added Textile Manufacturers-cum-exporters who use these machineries for manufacturing goods.

In view of the above, we most earnestly request your good self to kindly allow our exporters to import of such latest technology dyeing machines without any hassles or restrictions and instructions may kindly be issued to Custom authorities on the same in the best interests of our nation's exports because otherwise without Balancing, Modernization and Replacement (BMR) our Textile Sector will be pushed into the dark age and be driven out of the Global Market which is being offered high quality products by our better endowed and pampered Regional competitors.

Thanking you and looking forward to your prompt action in the matter.

With Best Regards,

Yours truly,

For Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers & Exporters Association

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