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Government of India Ministry of Commerce and Industry Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade Vanijya Bhawan

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Subject:- Amendment in conditions of the Standard Input Output Norms (SION) at E-136 for export of wheat flour (Atta) and amendment in para 4.05 (iii) under Handbook of Procedures 2015-20- reg.

In exercise of the powers conferred under paragraph 1.03 & 2.04 of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP), 2015-2020, as amended from time to time, the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby makes the following amendments:

- 1. The condition (i) of SION E-136 as mentioned in Public Notice no. 38/2015-20 dated 25.11.2022 is to be read as under:
- i. The Advance Authorization(AA) shall be issued to flour millers and exporters having tie up with flour millers as supporting manufacturer.
 - 2. The para 4.05 (iii) is to be read as under:

"Wheat Flour (Atta)" is permitted to be exported under the Advance Authorization Scheme, subject to pre-import condition of wheat under the notified SION only. No domestic/ indigenous sourcing of wheat is permitted and the invalidation letter/ARO facility is not available. Third party exports are also not allowed in this case. Import and Export would be permitted only through EDI enable ports. The Export Obligation period (EOP) of Advance Authorization for wheat shall be 180 days from the date of clearance of each import consignment and no extension in EOP shall be allowed. Such import shall be subject to actual user condition and no transfer of imported wheat shall be permitted. In case of non-fulfilment of EO/ non-achievement of stipulated value addition, a penalty equal to five times of the CIF value of the imported material, corresponding to the shortfall in EO, shall be imposed in addition to the payment of applicable duty and interest. Provisions of Paragraph 4.49 of Handbook of Procedures shall not be applicable in this case.

Effect of this Public Notice:

The conditions of SION E-136 and para 4.05(iii) of Handbook of Procedures, 2015-20 is amended to include supporting manufacturers for job work.

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