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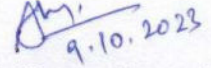
Subject: Automatic System based issue of Status Holder Certificate (e-SHC) with no requirement of filing any application by the exporter - reg

S.O.(E): In exercise of power conferred under paragraph 1.03 and 2.04 of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP), 2023 as amended from time to time, and in furtherance of the e-Governance initiative of DGFT as envisaged in Para 1.04 (d) of Handbook of Procedures 2023, the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby makes the following amendments in Handbook of Procedures, 2023:

Para No.	Text of Existing Para	Text of Revised Para
1.08 Status Holder: Application for grant of Status Certificate	(a) Exporters shall be required to file an application online for recognition of status under the Policy in ANF 1B along with prescribed documents. (b) Online Application for status certificate shall be filed with jurisdictional RA as determined by the location of Registered Office in the case of Company and of Head Office in the case of others as per Appendix 1A.	(a) In the interest of trade facilitation, the endeavor has been to recognize and grant system-generated electronic Status Holder Certification, based on merchandise export data available with DGCI&S without the need for filing any application by the exporter. (b) Wherever required, exporters may also file an application online for recognition as well as for up-gradation of Status under the Policy in ANF 1B along with CA Certificate. Online Application for Status certificate shall be filed with regional jurisdictional offices (RA) of DGFT as determined by the location of Registered Office in the case of Company and of Head Office in the case of others as per Appendix 1A.



Effect of this Notification: The Status Holder Certificate is being electronically generated based on export data available in DGCI&S database with no requirement by the exporter to file any kind of application in most cases. This will further the ease of doing business by doing away with the application process & file examination and use of existing data elements available within the Government for export certification.

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