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Subject: Amendment in Para 2.03(A) (i) (g) of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2023 laying down enabling provisions for import of inputs, that are subjected to mandatory Quality Control Orders (QCOs), by Advance Authorisation holders, EOU and SEZ.

S.O. (E) In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 read with Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 (No. 22 of 1992), as amended, read with Para 1.02 and 2.03 of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP), 2023, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments relating to Advance Authorisation in Para 2.03(A) (i) (g) of FTP, 2023, notified vide Notification No. 71/2023 dated 11.03.2024 as amended from time to time, with immediate effect:

Existing Para 2.03(A) (i) (g)	Revised Para 2.03(A) (i) (g)
The Export Obligation period for such authorizations shall be as per Para 4.40 of Handbook of Procedures. However, EO period is restricted to 180 days from the date of clearance of import consignments in respect of QCO exemption for chemical products, notified by the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals (DCPC).	The Export Obligation period for such authorizations shall be as per Para 4.40 of Handbook of Procedures.

Effect of this Notification:

The Export Obligation Period against the import of the products that are subjected to mandatory QCOs by the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals (DCPC), under Advance Authorisation has been extended from existing 06 months to 18 months. Henceforth, EO period for all AA holders shall be as per Para 4.40 of Handbook of Procedures.

This issued with the approval of Minister of Commerce & Industry.

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