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F.No. 12(7)/33rd TAMC/ATUFS/2023/TUFS/ 18

Date :- 12/04/2023

Sir / Madam,

Subject: - Minutes of the 33rd meeting of Technical Advisory Monitoring Committee (TAMC) under ATUFS held on 31/03/2023 and 06/04/2023 - reg.

The Minutes of the 33rd meeting of Technical Advisory Monitoring Committee (TAMC) held on 31/03/2023 and 06/04/2023 in the Office of the Textile Commissioner through VC Mode for discussing the issues pertaining to ATUFS / previous version of TUFS is **enclosed** herewith.

Enclosure :- As above.

(Ajay Pandit)
Joint Textile Commissioner

To,

All members of TAMC Meeting.

Copy to :-

- 1. PS to Tx.C. :- For kind information.
- Shri Anilkumar K.C. Under Secretary, MOT, New Delhi.
- 3. M/s. Silver Touch Technologies Ltd., (M/s. STTL.,),
- 4. Computer Cell, Office of the Textile Commissioner, Mumbai – 400 020.

Minutes of the $33^{\rm rd}$ meeting of Technical Advisory-Cum-Monitoring Committee (TAMC) for discussing issues of ATUFS and Previous Versions of TUFS held on 31.03.2023 and on 06.04.2023 through VC

33rd Meeting of the Technical Advisory-cum-Monitoring Committee (TAMC) was held on 31.03.2023 and on 06.04.2023 under the Chairpersonship of The Textile Commissioner. Due to voluminous Agenda points, the meeting could be concluded in two sittings. The list of participants is at **Annexure-I.**

Agenda No.1:

Due to exhaustive agenda placed before the committee, the confirmation on minutes of 32nd meeting of TAMC held on 31.10.2022 and 14.12.2022 was deferred to the next meeting of TAMC.

Agenda No. 2: Review of Progress of TUFS

a. Progress of utilization of allotted fund for the financial year 2022-23 as on 31.03.2023

(Rs. in Crores)

S. No	Scheme	Allocation(BE/RE)	Expenditure
1	ATUFS	Carlo	545.25
2	MTUFS		20.91
3	RTUFS	647	1.00
4	RR-TUFS (bank routed)		103.06
5	RR-TUFS (MMS)		3.77
	Total		674.00

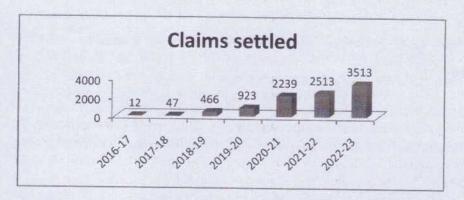
It would be evident that the utilisation of allocation is 104% towards extension of support for incentivising Investment to credit linked technology upgradation.

Segment wise details of UIDs issued & Subsidy released under ATUFS as on 31.03.2023:

(Re in Crores)

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#	Segment Name	UID Issued	Project Cost	Provisional Subsidy	Subsidy released
1	Garmenting (15%CIS)	1469	3327.47	340.47	68.19
2	Handloom (10% CIS)	60	56.30	04.57	
3	Jute (10% CIS)	13	16.52	01.31	0.38
4	Silk (10% CIS)	30	41.44	02.71	
5	Multi activity (10%CIS/15%CIS)	2293	31693.05	2039.02	434.36
6	Processing (10% CIS)	. 1622	6602.54	445.28	146.69
7	Technical Textile (15% CIS)	534	4243.68	396.42	107.03
8	Weaving (10% CIS)	8369	23180.87	1733.37	914.89
	TOTAL	14390*	69161.87	4963.15	1671.44

*Two UIDs has been cancelled on request of entity



The progress and above data was placed before the TAMC for information. The Committee noted the progress of TUFS with satisfaction. The members from industry acknowledged the efforts of the Office including various committees who contributed in decision making process which resulted in settlement of record number of cases. The efforts of the office and steps taken in settlement of cases were presented to Committee in the form of success story which is enclosed at Annexure-II for information of all stakeholders.

Agenda No.3: Name change of Lending agency "Laxmi Villas bank" to "DBS Bank India Limited" in the back drop of amalgamation.

The Committee was informed that in iTUFS software, UIDs have been generated under ATUFS with lending agency as Laxmi Villas Bank, however Laxmi Villas Bank has been merged with DBS Bank India Limited and DBS Bank India Limited was never enlisted/notified under ATUFS. The DBS bank India Limited has submitted request for enlistment/notification as eligible bank under ATUFS along with mandatory documents as per guidelines. Accordingly, the Textile Commissioner has approved DBS Bank India Limited as eligible bank under ATUFS. The agenda was placed for ratification by TAMC.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC: The TAMC after due deliberations ratified the decision of enlisting/notifying DBS Bank India Limited as eligible bank under ATUFS by Textile Commissioner.

Agenda No. 4:- Eligibility of manufacturing units for subsidy under ATUFS which are manufacturing seasonal products and are not in operation throughout /round the year.

The Committee was informed that in North India, particularly in Panipat cluster, it is found that some units are engaged in manufacturing of seasonal items like mink blankets. Such plants are not running round the year. During the surprise checks, it has been observed that the machines are installed but not in running condition. The reason given by the unit is absence of orders round the year for such products. When a surprise visit was again made to the unit after about eight (08) months, i.e., close to winter season in the month of November'2022, it was observed that plant was in running condition and producing the seasonal products like mink blankets. As per ATUFS guidelines, functioning of unit and operational is one of the essential criteria for availing subsidy. Guidelines are silent on manufacturing of seasonal items which are not in operation round the year thereon non functioning of the unit during off season.

TAMC may deliberate and decide.

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Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The Committee deliberated and decided that Regional Office should decide in the matter and these need not be brought to TAMC.

Agenda No. 5:- Agenda points based on the representation of AEPC.

(i)-To review the cutoff date of purchase date defined in revised guidelines:

As per para 7.3 of GR dated 02-08-2018 Purchase date is defines as "purchase date shall be date when full and final payment is made by the entity for machinery as evidenced by the bank transaction statement or the date or the commercial invoice date which is later". Now AEPC is representing that this definition of purchase date should be applicable to all cases since inception of ATUFS

The Committee was informed that previously the matter was placed in 32nd meeting of TAMC for the decision and Committee had opined that number of such cases with financial implications may be examined for which industry associations and Export Promotion Councils may provide the details of such cases with financial implications to Office of Textile Commissioner. However only AEPC has submitted data of 10 cases with provisional subsidy value of Rs. 2.24 Cr. ED,ITTA informed that there are more such cases, particularly of technical textile segment and ITTA will share such data shortly. The committee was briefed that this matter was previously discussed in 3rd IMSC meeting and MoT vide OM dated 13-08-2023 communicated that provision under para 7.3 of revised guidelines dated 02.08.2018 will be applicable to all cases for which unit has applied for UID on or after 02/08/2018 online in iTUFS.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee deferred the agenda for next meeting and requested all Industry Associations/Promotion Councils to provide data /information on all such cases as such information relating to the GR needs to be brought to notice of MoT/ IMSC for any further action.

ii. Acceptance of Self certified COO for machines which have been shipped from Singapore.

The committee was informed that TAMC in its 32nd meeting has decided regarding the COO matter as under:

Self-issues Certificate of Origin recommendation as guidelines from COO Committee: The committee discussed and decided as a general rule that to accept self-issued COO from manufacturer for all countries who falls under domain of Regulation EU 2015/2447 subject to submission of Rule Positioning by the manufacturer. In regard to other countries, the decision of 1st COO committee meeting is recommended that ATUFS cell may call the manufacturer/supplier to submit certificate/countersigned COO from respective Chamber of Commerce within 30 days from date of the query. This decision may be applied to all cases and such cases may not be referred to this committee any more in future.

Now AEPC submitted that Singapore is a trading /marketing hub for Japanese brands machines produced in Japna, China, Taiwan and Malayasia .Further Singapore' Trade Regulations permit such Re-export with Self Certified COO. AEPC has requested that self certified COO for machines shipped from Singapore should also be accepted.

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Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The committee after due deliberations decided to refer the documents submitted by AEPC to COO committee and based on committees findings the matter may be discussed in next meeting.

iii. Purchase of Sewing Machines from local Authorized Agents through Customs bonded warehouse.

AEPC presented the case that procurement of sewing machinery from local agents through custom bonded ware houses should be allowed as per the provisions in earlier guidelines of ATUFS date 29.06.2016. The committee was informed that matter was already escalated and discussed in 3rd meeting of IMSC and the committee decided that proposal relating to restoration (as in para 4.2.6 of GR dated 29.02.2016) of custom bonded warehouse should be examined in consultation with D/o Revenue. SG of AEPC argued that why D/O of Revenue is required to be consulted on this matter as it may not concern D/O of Revenue. It was informed that IMSC is highest body monitoring implementation of TUFS and has representatives from Industry, Banks and other Ministries like MOF etc. The decision was taken in consultation and in presence of all stakeholders.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee decided to seek the status from MoT as per the decision of 3rd IMSC.

Agenda No.6: Relaxation to conduct JIT inspection beyond 88 days

The committee was informed that as reported by the Regional Office, there are about 237 JIT requests which after submission by unit got either rejected or returned to the units at format-IV stage due to systemic problem/ software problem/access in April 2022 (list enclosed as Annex.- II). Now Regional Office is not able to schedule the verification of assets within 88 days from the date of submission of JIT requests by the units. The timeline of 88 days for conducting JIT inspections is prescribed in para no.6.5.5 of GR 2016 and para no.10.3.7 GR 2018.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The committee, deliberated on the matter and recommended that since unit has no fault in it, the delay in conducting the JIT may be condoned by IMSC.

Agenda No. 7:- Representation of All India manmade Metallic Yarn slitter Association Surat forward by Ministry of Textile, New Delhi, regarding to provide relaxation for MC05-12 and MC05-13 for Jari units claimed under Handloom segment in line of 8th IMSC Agenda No. 04.

Decision of 32nd meeting of TAMC:- TAMC ratified the decision of ITC. (Decision Taken by ITC: ITC deliberated on the issue and accepted the report of the Expert Committee which was constituted under the chairmanship of Shri Vipan Kumar Kohli, Joint Textile Commissioner and proposed placing the same in the TAMC for withdrawal of restriction of Handloom Sector, for the machines at Sr No. 14, 15 and 16 only under MC-5 of GR on Amended TUFS which would enable Jari processing units who have already purchased these machines and upgraded the technology to avail benefits under ATUFS)

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Decision of 8th meeting of IMSC: - IMSC noted relaxation given to Jari units for the machines under MC05-14, 15 and 16 claimed under Handloom segment i.e. MC05.

Section note:- The matter for inclusion of machines under Handloom was decided based on the recommendation of ITC/TAMC/IMSC. Hence for appending proposed machinery under Handloom also need to be routed through ITC for deliberation/recommendation of TAMC to the IMSC.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Any Agenda of this nature needs to be routed through technical vetting by ITC before bringing to TAMC. Hence Agenda may be ignored as agenda will be placed before ITC for deliberations and decision.

Agenda no . 8: For ratification of Decisions taken by Internal Technical Committee

Sub Agenda Point No. 01: For ratification of machinery manufacturer/authorized agents enlistment

The committee was informed that enlistment of 14 machinery manufacturer/authorized agents as per annexure-II has been recommended by Internal Technical Committee (ITC) in its 57^{th} , 58^{th} , 59^{th} , 60^{th} , 61^{st} , 62^{nd} and 63^{rd} meetings held on 22.12.2022, 16.01.2023, 31.01.2023, 10.02.2023, 27.02.2023, 09.03.2023 and 24.03.2023 respectively. The matter is placed before TAMC for ratification of decision ITC.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-02 (Agenda Point no.02.01 of 55th ITC):</u> Cases forwarded by TUFS Cell: One machine part of a complete line belongs to another machine manufacturer

ATUFS cell vide Note no.12 (3785)/JIT/ATUFS/2022/TUFS/151 dated 15.11.2022 forwarded claim of Complete Production line for spun bonded Non-Woven (MC 03 - g 1) purchased from M/s. Dong Yang Aolong Nonwoven Equipment Co. Ltd., China through their authorized agent M/s. Hongkong Far East Garments Machinery I/E Co. Ltd., China by the beneficiary M/s. Scap Techno Fab Pvt. ltd. During JIT, it is noticed that two name plates were affixed on the machine (complete production line). In one of those name plates the machinery manufacturer name mentioned as "Changzhou Qiaode Precision Machinery Co. Ltd".

In this regard manufacturer clarified that, as per requirement of the beneficiary they procured calendar part from "Changzhou Qiaode Precision Machinery Co. Ltd" as part of their complete assembly line. ATUFS cell submitted JIT report, Machine name plate photo and Manufacturer declaration with invoice details.

<u>Decision Taken in 55th ITC:</u> M/s. Changzhou Qiaode Precision Machinery Co. Ltd is not enlisted as manufacturer under ATUFS. Moreover, this matter doesn't fall under the purview of ITC as it is not a technical matter. Hence, ATUFS section may take suitable decision as per existing guidelines.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

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Sub Agenda Point No-03 (Agenda Point no.02.02 of 55th ITC)

ATUFS cell vide Note no.12 (2957)/JIT/ATUFS/2020/TUFS/243 dated 15.11.2022 forwarded below issues regarding beneficiary claim (M/s. Shreelaxmi Creation Pvt. Ltd.).

Machine Model No. mismatching with invoice and nameplate

Machine code (claimed) - MC2-40 (PLC controlled Fully Automatic Flat

Bed printing machine with pneumatic blanket control)

Machinery manufacturer - M/s.Indian Textile Engineers

Model No .in Invoice - "FB-19/017-18"

Model no. in Machine name plate - "19/017-18"

Manufacturer clarification - "FB" prefix to serial number is stands for "Flat Bed

Screen Printing Machine"

ATUFS cell submitted JIT report, Machine name plate photo and Manufacturer declaration with invoice copy.

<u>Decision Taken 55th ITC:</u> - The committee examined the documents and accepted the clarification given by the manufacturer. Hence, the committees recommended to consider the case if other ATUFS guidelines are met.

The Committee may deliberate and decided

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

A. Machine name description mismatching with invoice and nameplate

Machine code (claimed) - MC2-40 (PLC based Sueding / peach finishing

machine with brushing / raising / contipress/

pile cutting)

Machinery manufacturer - M/s. Palod Himson Machines Pvt Ltd

Machine name mentioned in JIT report - "PLC based Peach Finishing machine"

Machine name mentioned in Invoice - "PLC based Super Finishing machine"

Manufacturer clarification: Name mentioned in the invoice is their trade name. However actual machine is "Peaching machine". The function of the machine is to modify fabric looks more smooth and fine to prepare heavy fabrics. In this regard, ATUFS cell submitted JIT report and Manufacturer declaration with invoice copy.

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Decision Taken in 55th ITC: - The committee examined the documents and noted that the name mentioned in JIT report is "PLC based Peach Finishing machine" and the name mentioned in the machine name plate is "Raising Machine" which are contradictory with name mentioned in the invoice and manufacturer declaration as "PLC based Super Finishing machine". The committee opined that Raising and Peaching machines are two different technology. Hence the committee requested ATUFS cell to process the claim accordingly.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-04 (Agenda Point no.03 of 55th ITC)</u>: Cases forwarded by RO Ahmedabad

Point No. 01: M/s. Hari Enterprise, Surat

RO Ahmedabad vide letter no. 17(21)/5124/2022/ATUFS/ROA/81 dated 11.07.2022 requested to place the manufacturing year issue where the commercial invoice is issued after manufacturing and during dispatch of the machine in respect to JIT report of M/s. Hari Enterprise, Surat under ATUFS(TUFS Ref. No. ATUFS/2019-20/1736).

- 1. The unit has purchased 02 Nos. of Rapier Looms from M/s. Shandong Rifa textile Machinery Co. Ltd; China vide Invoice No. RFHARI2001 dated 06.05.2020.
- 2. The date of Bill of Lading and Country of Origin Certificate is 12.05.2020.
- 3. However, the machine name plate indicates date as 2004.
- 4. Since the date of manufacturing as per name plate is indicated as 2004, a clarification was sought from the applicant unit.
- 5. The unit has submitted a clarification from the machine manufacturer certifying that the date mentioned on machine plate serial number 61248 & 61249 and date is 2004. In that "2004", 20 symbolizes the year and 04 depicts the month and it is not read as year 2004. (i.e. Year 2020, April month)
- 6. However, the date indicated on machine plate indicates 2004 and without any space or demarcation for year and month.
- 7. In this regard RO Ahmedabad submitted copy of the Machine Plate photo, Invoice, Bill of Lading, Country of Origin Certificate, query raised vide mail and the reply received from the unit along with clarification from the machine manufacturer.

<u>Decision Taken in 47th ITC dated 28.07.2022:</u> The committee has scrutinized the documents forwarded by ATUFS and decided to verify the authenticity of the letter by sending an email to the manufacturer namely M/s. Shandong Rifa Textile Machinery Co. Ltd; China.

Now the unit replied below vide email dated 17.11.2022 for this office query email dated 29.07.2022 and several reminder emails,

Unit authenticated that the letter dated 12.05.2022(previously submitted) was issued by them and genuine. In addition to that, due to human error the manufacturing year mentioned as "2004" during writing instead of "20.04". They instructed to their staffs for strict compliance of Indian customer requirements for avoiding same in near future.

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Decision Taken in 55th ITC: The committee reviewed the documents and considered the justification submitted by the manufacturer after referring their other claims in which the name plate design of the same machine manufacturer also found in the records of Powerloom development Cell. Hence, the committee recommended to consider the case, subject to eligibility of claim under ATUFS in respect of other guidelines of ATUFS. The machine manufacturers should be advised to modify their pattern as per international norms.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC with directions that supplier should be sensitized to maintain standard protocol as per Patent rules and International norms. The committee also opined that supplier should be kept under watch for its practices.

Point No. 02: M/s. Maa Fashion, Surat

RO Ahmedabad vide letter no. 17(21)/5104/2022/ATUFS/ROA/82 dated 11.07.2022 requested to place the manufacturing year issue where commercial invoice is issued prior dated before machine manufacturing and during dispatch of the machine in respect to JIT report of M/s. Maa Fashion, Surat under ATUFS.(TUFS Ref. No. ATUFS/2021-22/1510)

- 1. The unit has purchased 02 Nos. of Rapier Looms from M/s. Shandong Rifa Textile Machinery Co. Ltd; China vide Invoice No. RFMFN2101 dated 23.05.2021.
- 2. The date of Bill of Lading and Country of Origin Certificate is 17.06.2021.
- 3. However, the machine name plate indicates date as 21.06.
- 4. Since the date of manufacturing as per name plate is after the date of Invoice, a clarification was sought from the applicant unit.
- 5. The unit has submitted a clarification from the machine manufacturer certifying that the manufacturing month on the machine name plate attached to the machine is after the issue date of the commercial invoice because after receiving the order. they have started the manufacturing of 62804 & 62805 number machines and allotted the serial number of it and after completion of manufacturing process of the machine, the same was dispatched to M/s. Maa Fashion with attaching the machine name plate by mentioning the allotted machine serial number and month and year of completion of manufacturing of the machine They have confirmed the month of manufacture of the machine is 06-2021.
- 6. In this regard RO Ahmedabad submitted a copy of the Machine Plate photo, Invoice, Bill of Lading. Country of Origin Certificate, query raised vide mail and the reply received from the unit along with clarification from the machine manufacturer.

Decision Taken in 47th ITC dated 28.07.2022: The committee has scrutinized the documents forwarded by ATUFS and decided to verify the authenticity of the letter by sending an email to the manufacturer namely M/s. Shandong Rifa Textile Machinery Co. Ltd; China. Clarification may also be called for from the manufacturer as to how it is possible to issue commercial invoice for the goods/machine which was not ready for dispatch which is against the international norms& if they have done it, why their company should not be blacklisted under the scheme.

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Now the unit replied below vide email dated 17.11.2022 for this office query email dated 29.07.2022 and several reminder emails,

Unit authenticated that the letter dated 15.05.2022(previously submitted) was issued by them and genuine. In addition to that, due to human error the manufacturing year mentioned as "21.06" during writing instead of "21.05". In addition to that, they will replace machine name plates if they noticed error, but in this case they issued clarification letter based on request of unit and RO-AHD. They instructed to their staffs for strict compliance of Indian customer requirements for avoiding same in near future.

<u>Decision Taken in 55th ITC:</u> - The committee reviewed the documents and clarification submitted by the machine manufacturer. The committee did not found any relevance in the clarification submitted by the machine manufacturer, which is contradiction to their previous letter dated 15.05.2022 and decided to refer the matter back to ATUFS cell for taking appropriate decision as per GR and other claims pertaining to same manufacturer.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-05 (Agenda Point no.04 of 55th ITC):</u>
Ascertaining the Loom technology manufactured at Surat: Expert Committee Report

The Powerloom Development Cell vide email dated 25.07.2022 requested the Expert Committee constituted based on the 6th IMSC decision for jari processing technology to review the Loom speed and crank driven technology of looms being manufactured by M/s Weave-Tech, M/s Aalidhra, M/s Lifebond and M/s Orange, Surat.

The Expert Committee constituted under the chairmanship of Shri. Vipan Kumar Kohli (Joint Textile Commissioner) visited the above-mentioned loom manufacturing units at Surat on dated 28.07.2022-29.02.2022. As per the instructions by TxC in the concerned file, the report presented before ITC for deliberation the report of the committee is attached as Annexure-III.

<u>Decision Taken in 50th ITC08.09.2022:</u> The committee observed that the matter needs more deliberation and due to paucity of time the matter was deferred to the next ITC meeting.

RO- AHD requested report of the above expert committee to process the pending claims related to speed reduction issue of MC1-A1 (rapier loom) and MC1-A7 (Electronic Jacquard and Electronic dobby).

Decision Taken in 55th ITC: The Committee observed that the Expert Committee has recommended for deciding the claim under TUFS based on the JIT finding and verification of speed specification observing scientific process. Based on said recommendation of the expert committee, further action may be taken by respective section under ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No-06 (Agenda Point no.04 of 57th ITC): Enlistment of machinery manufacturer

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The enlistment of "M/s. Lianyungang Runian Industrial Co., Ltd." was discussed and the committee not recommended in 26th ITC dated 09.09.2021 as the business license submitted by them was for manufacturing stainless steel parts and not for manufacturing Textile Machinery.

The unit submitted revised business license attested by Indian Embassy at China to this office dated 08.08.2022 which was discussed in 51st ITC dated 22.09,2022 and the committee not recommended for enlistment under ATUFS. The decision of

<u>Decision taken in 51st ITC dated 22.09.2022:</u> Not recommended as there is no co-relation found between the business license submitted now and earlier business license submitted by the manufactures. The business license is also not found in the website http://gsxt.gov.cn

Now the unit submitted their representation as below:

The Business License is a 21 digit number consisting which starts with the primary number: 320700000 followed by the date of sanction of the license (YEAR/MM/DD) and ends with the unique license number(4 digit).

FORMAT: 320700000YEAR/MM/DD****

Our License No: 320700000-2021/10/14/-0074

Our original license date was 09.03.2016 and the amended license was issued to us on 14.10.2021. So there is no possibility that our new license number would match with the earlier one.

The date and validity of the Business license along with the unique social credit code is clearly mentioned in amended business license. In addition the unit submitted amended Business License has been attested with the Indian Consulate/Embassy in China and also the Registration Authority.

	Old License (09.03.2016)	New license (14.10.2021)
Unified social credit code	913207005668893392	913207005668893392
Registration no,/License no	320700000201603090068	320700000202110140074
Business Scope (Highlighted Differences in Bold letter)	Equipment, hardware parts, Manufacturer of Stainless- Steel material: Equipment installation and engineering construction; warehousing services; Self-operating and acting as an agent for the import and export business of various commodities and technologies, except those commodities and technologies that are restricted by the state or prohibited from import and export.	Mechanical equipment, hardware accessories stainless steel material manufacturing, equipment installation engineering construction warehousing services, self-operated and agency import and export business of various commodities and technologies, except for those commodities and technologies that are restricted to be operated by enterprises or prohibited from import and export by the state. *** General Items: sales of synthetic fibers, sales of labor protection products, sales of daily necessities, sales of knitted textiles and raw materials, production of industrial textile products, production of daily masks (non-medical), software development; software sales, textile-specific equipment manufacturing (Except for approved projects, independently carry out

<u>Section Note:</u> Comparison of old and new business licenses (office translator - translated copy) submitted by the unit. Manufacturer stall and machines photos taken in ITME-2022 by this office during the visit is also enclosed.

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<u>Decision Taken in 57th ITC:</u> The committee reexamined the documents submitted by the unit and representation submitted by M/s. Voltas limited. The committee recommended the enlistment of M/s. Lianyungang Runian Industrial Co., Ltd., China as a textile machinery manufacturer under ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-07 (Additional Agenda Point no.01 of 57th ITC):</u> Physical Verification report of M/s. Sashwat Shuttleless Looms, Coimbatore for enlistment under ATUFS.

With reference to the decision of 44thITC meeting held on dated 09.06.2022, to carry out the physical verification of the unit for ascertain the manufacturing facilities/capacity since they applied for manufacturer of airjet looms in India.

In this connection, RO- Coimbatore vide Letter no. 70(42)/14/ATUFS/CBE/195 dated 21.12.2022 submitted the report in reference to this office letter 12(7)/ATUFS/Mach/2022/TUFS/S-243 dated 14.06.2022 to conduct and submit a physical verification report of M/s. Sashwat Shuttleless Looms, Coimbatore.

Shri. D. Raja (AD), PSC, Erode and Shri. A. Gurusamy (TO) from RO-Coimbatore has visited the unit and submitted observation as follows.

i. The team visited and ascertained that the unit having adequate manufacturing capacity and infrastructure for the production of 50-60 looms/year. They sold 20 looms and have 20 looms order in hand.

ii. Further the team visited the beneficiary unit m/s. Nipha Textiles, Tirupur and the unit feedback as follows

- Average working Speed of the loom is 750 RPM (WIR-1425 MPM)
- Cost of 190 cm width of loom is Rs.16.52 Lakhs including GST
- Quality of fabric is at par with fabric manufactured in European manufactured looms.
- Quality of loom is better than Chinese looms of similar models
- Satisfied with after sales service ad reasonable price of spares

In view of the above OIC of RO Coimbatore recommended that M/s. Sashwat Shuttleless Looms, Coimbatore as eligible benchmarked manufacturer for enlistment under ATUFS.

<u>Decision Taken in 57th ITC:</u> The committee reviewed the visit report submitted by RO- Coimbatore and recommended for the enlistment of M/s. Sashwat Shuttleless Looms, Coimbatore as a textile machinery manufacturer of Airjet looms under (MC-01-A-3 - I & II) under ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The Committee noted with appreciation that some entrepreneurs have started manufacturing Airjet looms in India. The Chairperson suggested that such manufacturers should be encouraged and some hand holding is also required for emergence of more such entrepreneurs. She further informed that some reputed institutes (ITMMA Awardee) have undertaken seemingly good R&D in development of crucial parts of Airjet looms like nozzles etc and such institutes should undertake mentorship of budding entrepreneurs and commercialize their research. The committee ratified the decision of ITC.

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<u>Sub Agenda Point No-08 (Agenda Point no.02 of 58th ITC):</u>Case forwarded by ATUFS Cell - Manufacturer Name difference

TUFS Cell forwarded vide note no. 12(3257)/JIT/ATUFS/2020/TUFS/211dated 26.12.2022 requested to place issue regarding the machinery manufacturer name differences observed during scrutiny of ATUFS claim in respect of. M/s. Space Knitwear Pvt. Ltd. The name difference noted in submitted invoice copy, machine name plate photo and machine operating panel photo as follows,

- 1. Name mentioned in the Invoice Kauo Heng Precision Machinery Industrial Co. Ltd., Taiwan.
- 2. Name mentioned in the machine name plate Kauo Heng Co. Ltd., Taiwan
- 3. Name mentioned **near operating display of the machine** Kauo Heng Precision Machinery Ind. Co. Ltd., Taiwan.

Section note:

M/s. Kauo Heng Precision Machinery Industrial Co. Ltd., Taiwan. is enlisted at serial no.121 in Annexure-III

Same issue of the above manufacturer was discussed in 20thITC dated 14.06.2021in respect of ATUFS claim -M/s. True Collar Inc. and requested ATUFS cell to call clarification from the manufacturer.

This section has not received any reply from the manufacturer for this office email dated 28.06.2021& 27.12.2022 regarding same issue in respect of M/s. Bambi Apparels. However, RO-Amritsar submitted clarification from the manufacturer as they mentioned short name of company in machine name plate.

<u>Decision Taken in 58th ITC:</u> As this matter is not Technical in nature and also out of the purview of ITC mandate, hence, ATUFS Section may take a suitable view/decision based on the clarification received from the unit and guidelines of ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No- 09 (Agenda Point no.03 of 58th ITC): Enlistment of all Regional offices and Custom bonded Ware houses across India.

M/s. IIGM Private Limited, Bangalore vide their letter 20.12.2022 submitted their representation against this office query email dated 01.11.2022 regarding enlistment of all their Regional offices and Custom bonded Ware houses.

M/s. IIGM Private Limited, New Delhi is enlisted as an authorized agent of M/s. Gerber Technology (Applied for MC4-20 and MC4-30)at serial no.413 in Annexure-III under ATUFS.

Their representations submitted on support of their request were reproduced below,

Customs Bonded Warehouse:

Government of India allows importers to avail these services of Customs Bonded Warehouse both in Free Trade Zones (FTZS) and in Private Bonded Warehouse facilities. We availing both services at M/s.LOM Supply Chain India Pvt Ltd., Free Trade Zone (FTZ), Chennai and in Private Bonded Warehouse at Bangalore. Goods imported under these facilities have to be bonded and stored in

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these warehouses. The process of debonding based on EPCG license or OGL passes through a Customs Inspection and only then can be cleared.

GST

All imports made into India suffer IGST. Sales made through any State of the India suffer CGST and SGST. Due to this reason, it is not possible or practical for all imports made by us to be billed only from the State of Delhi, just because our Regd. Office is situated in New Delhi. If we do this, it will not be possible to claim the benefits of the IGST against which we have paid to the Government at the time of import. Due to these practical reasons, our stock points are based across India and billed as per GST Laws pertaining to that State. Further the subsidy denied for M/s. J.G Hosiery Pvt. Ltd., Tirupur and M/s. Knit Gallery, Tirupur for billing through New Delhi office.

Unit submitted Agreement copy between M/s. IIGM and M/s. Supply Chain India Pvt Ltd (FTZ), Sample Invoice copy, Private warehouse License and List of regional offices/ warehouse for inclusion.

<u>Decision Taken in 57th ITC dated 22.12.2022:</u>The committee observed that the matter needs more deliberation and due to paucity of time the matter was deferred to the next ITC meeting.

<u>Decision Taken in 58th ITC:</u> After detailed deliberation, the committee members **decided not to** consider the request of M/s. IIGM Private Limited, New Delhi as the same is not permitted in the revised GR dt. 2/08/2018. Moreover, the applicant is an authorized agent and not a textile machinery manufacturer.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No- 10 (Agenda Point no. 05 of 58th ITC):</u>Physical Verification report from RO- Ahmedabad

Point no.01:M/s. Deep Engineers, Rajkot

RO- Ahmedabad submitted the physical verification report of M/s. Deep Engineers, Rajkot vide letter dated no.17(71)/91/2020/MIC/ATUFS/ROA/05 dated 02.01.2023 as per the decision of 50th ITC meeting dated 08.09.2022 in reference to this office letter no. 12 (7)/ATUFS/ITC/2022/TMB/ 50th ITC/27 dated 16/09/2022

M/s. Deep Engineers is applied for MC-2-40, MC-2-47, MC-2-7, MC-2-58 (Printing machines, Jigger and Drying range). Shri. A.K.Gautam (TO) from RO- Ahmedabad has visited the unit and submitted observation as follows.

Unit found working in above address and they have collaboration with other workshops for various machine parts manufacturing.

Unit found manufacturing of PLC based Printing machine and on the day of visit they doing commissioning work of flat bed printing machine and dryer for rotary printing machine

Unit is engaged in manufacturing of PLC controlled Flat bed printing machine and having capacity for manufacturing of rotary printing machine, Jigger machine and drying range.

Based on above OIC of RO- Ahmedabad recommended that M/s. Deep Engineers, Rajkot as a machinery manufacturer for enlistment under ATUFS.

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<u>Decision taken in 58th ITC:</u> Based on the physical verification report of M/s. Deep Engineers, Rajkot and there commendation of R.O. Ahmedabad, the committee acceded to the request of M/s. Deep Engineers, Rajkot to enlist them as Machinery Manufacturers under ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Point no.02: M/s. Sonraj Industries, Rajkot

RO- Ahmedabad submitted the physical verification report of M/s. Sonraj Industries, Rajkot vide letter dated no.17(71)/91/2020/MIC/ATUFS/ROA/01 dated 02.01.2023 as per the decision of 50th ITC meeting dated 08.09.2022 in reference to this office letter no. 12 (7)/ATUFS/ITC/2022/TMB/ 50th ITC/27 dated 16/09/2022.

M/s. Sonraj Industries is applied for MC-3- E-9 (PLC based Coagulated PU or PVC dip coating machine / PU or PVC coating line or coating dipping / knife machine with infrared dryer). Shri. A.K. Gautam (TO) from RO- Ahmedabad has visited the unit and submitted observation as follows.

Unit found working in above address and they have collaboration with other workshops for various machine parts manufacturing.

Unit found manufacturing of PLC based Coagulated PU or PV coating line at their factory and on the day of visit they doing commissioning work coating lie.

Based on above OIC of RO- Ahmedabad recommended that M/s. Sonraj Industries, Rajkot as a machinery manufacturer for enlistment under ATUFS

<u>Decision taken in 58th ITC:</u> Based on the physical verification report of M/s. Sonraj Industries, Rajkot and the recommendation of R.O. Ahmedabad, the committee acceded to the request of M/s. Sonraj Industries, Rajkot to enlist them as Machinery Manufacturer under ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No- 11 (Agenda Point no.06 of 58th ITC):</u> Re-representation submitted by M/s. SVG Fashions Pvt Ltd regarding ATUFS claims related to M/s Jiangsu Runshan Precision Machinery and Technology Co. Ltd China

Point no.01: regarding logo issue - File No. ATUFS/2018/19/2621

TUFS Cell forwarded vide note no.12 (2896)/JIT/ATUFS/2020/TUFS/103 dated 17.05.2022 regarding a unit has knitting machine from M/s Zee Yeng Company Ltd. During JIT it has found that machine name plate comprises only logo of the machinery manufacturer.

- 1. Name mentioned on machine name plate M/s Runshan Knitting Machine
- 2. **Machinery Manufacturer Name M/s**. Jiangsu Runshan Precision Machinery and Technology Co. Ltd China.(Enlisted at Annexure-V Sr No-53)

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3. **Invoice issued by -** M/s Zee Yeng Company Ltd is authorized agent of M/s Jiangsu Runshan Precision Machinery and Technology Co. Ltd China- (Enlisted at Annexure-V Sr No-55) In this regard the following documents were submitted by TUFS cell,

1. Invoice Copy

- 2. Name plate of machinery photo Copy
- 3. Manufacturer Self Declaration Copy

4. Branding practice

5. Trademark mark/ Logo registration certificate

Section note: Based on the submitted documents it is verified that the logo of machine name plate, Trademark/ Logo registration certificate is found same however trademark for logo name is found different from name plate. Since invoice issued by the authorized agent hence manufacturer logo is not available in commercial invoice.

<u>Decision Taken in 46th ITC dated 19.07.2022:</u> The committee examined the matter and decided to call clarification from Indian Embassy at China to establish the authenticity of machinery manufacturer i.e. M/s. Jiangsu Runshan Precision Machinery and Technology Co. Ltd, China.

Section note: Based on the ITC decision email sent to the Indian embassy on dated 22.07.2022 and reminder email dated 25.08.2022. On 29.08.2022, the Indian Embassy at China replied vide email that "This Consulate may not be in a position to independently authenticate any manufacturing activity of the Chinese company under its jurisdiction".

Decision Taken in 51st ITC dated 22.09.2022: - The committee reviewed the documents submitted by the unit & machine manufacturer's letter. The committee found that the manufacturer is following substandard branding & business practice since in their technical literature & machine are having different logo. Hence, the committee could not conclude on the subject and decided to refer back ATUFS cell for taking appropriate decision as per GR and other claims pertaining to same manufacturer.

The same was discussed in 32nd TAMC and ITC decision also ratified.

However, during TAMC meeting some members requested to review the decision and TxC asked to submit the representation. In addition to that M/s. SVG Fashions Pvt Ltd submitted below presentations during webex meeting on 01.12.20222 and in person visit of Mr. Rajkumar Agarwal on 19.12.2022 as follows,

RUNSHAN - which is their brand for manufacturing circular Knitting machines for various market around the world including their domestic market in China. They have different Trademark logo for those markets. The logo registered is "RUNSHAN" all capital letter, but nameplate is "RunShan" which R and S are capital. The normal practice in China is that after a company applies and registered the English word logo's, other OEMs are not allowed to apply and register the same English word logo, it does not matter if it's in lower case or upper-case words. Hence, the registered OEM can use either "RUNSHAN" or "Runshan" or "RunShan" on their machines, as far as the name is not changed

For Chinese customers they use Chinese word "润山" which means RUNSHAN and for other countries where they sell the machines like in Europe and India, they have their Trademark logo S/R without Chinese word "润山" as they write RUNSHAN in English under their logo.

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Submitted Manufacturer clarification, Declaration of M/s. SVG Fashions Pvt Ltd, Logo certificates and Logo and brand name in factory premises and video.

Section Note:Online translation by section of certificate no.13971954 - "润 山" which appears Runshan (means RUNSHAN). "S/R" logo is same in all the above documents



Logo in the submitted documents during enlistment 06-05-2018

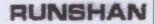


Mark certificate no.13971952

Logo in the trade mark Certificate no.13971954



Logo in the trade mark certificate no.13971953





Logo available in machine

name plate.

Decision Taken in 58th ITC: The committee observed that as the invoice has been issued by the authorized agent as such there is no document to verify the logo of the machinery manufacturer found on the machine name plate. The ITC has decided only those cases as per TAMC decision where is branding practice of the manufacturer is proved and notified logo of the machine manufacturer found in their all documents and as well as machine name plate. Hence, the committee could not conclude on the subject and decided to refer the case back to ATUFS cell for taking appropriate decision as per GR.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee deferred the agenda and directed TUFS Section to collect such cases of same machine supplier/manufacturer from Data base to have more clarity on the institutional practices.

Point no.02: Regarding- Invoice date issue - File No. ATUFS/2019-20/1644

M/s. SVG Fashions Pvt Ltd has purchased 6 sets High Speed Runshan Brand PLC Based Circular Knitting Machines with invoice No. 19/981274 through by M/s. Zee Yeng Company Ltd. authorized agent of M/s Jiangsu Runshan Precision Machinery and Technology Co. Ltd China.

The claim was rejected by RO-Kolkata due to the invoice and packing list date is earlier than the date mentioned in machine nameplate i.e 08 days difference but the month is same. In support of their claim unit submitted following documents,

- i. Invoice date 10.09.2019
- ii. Packing list date 10.09.2019
- iii. Date mentioned in machine name plate 18.09.2019

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iv. Date mentioned in Country of Origin - 23.09.2019

v. Date mentioned in Bill of lading - 24.09.2019

vi. Date mentioned in Bill of entry - 07.10.2019 - (Invoice and COO date mentioned)

vii. Agent clarification (M/s. Zee Yeng Company Ltd)

viii. Declaration (M/s. SVG Fashions Pvt Ltd)

Unit and Authorized agent submission:

Authorized agent declared that after receiving the payment/L.C, they will raise the invoice when machine at final finishing stage and name plate is fixed at the time of dispatch after completion of final touchup. Further invoice is required for booking the vessel space and carry out exporting procedures. Manufacturing date is prior to date of Bill of lading and Bill of entry is most reliable shipping documents required by customs.

Beneficiary Unit clarified that, in this case LC was opened on 9.08.2019 and BOL date is 24.09.2019 a gap of 46 days. The manufacturer has erred in mentioning his final packing date as manufacturing date. That is the only mistake here. Normally, manufacturers write month only not date. In this case, if we overlook the date and only read the month on the name plate there is no discrepancy

<u>Decision Taken in 58th ITC:</u> The committee observed that it is an administrative / policy matter since it is unique case where machine is manufactured after raising the commercial invoice. The ITC has not come across any such case in past, Hence, the committee decided to refer the case back to ATUFS cell for taking appropriate decision as per GR.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC and decided to call explanation from machine supplier.

<u>Sub Agenda Point No- 12 (Agenda Point no.01 of 59th ITC):</u> Invoicing by Indian Authorized Agents of Imported Machinery to their Indian Buyers in respect for Computerised high speed Fully Fashioned Flat bed garment manufacturing and / or Shoe Vamps manufacturing machine.

Knitwear & Textile Club, Ludhiana has submitted a representation to consider invoicing by Indian Authorized Agents for Imported Machinery to their Indian Buyers in respect of Computerised high speed Fully Fashioned Flat bed garment manufacturing and / or Shoe Vamps manufacturing machine. The association has stated that the reason for purchase from Indian agent is that these are small machines which are imported in containers in which approx.24 machines are packed. Small entrepreneur purchases very few machines in India.

The similar proposal for stitching machines has been recommended in 30th meeting ITC and the same was placed before 25th meeting of TAMC held on 22.02.2022 wherein, TAMC has discussed and decided to defer the issue since the matter needs further deliberations at length. Despite some GST practice seems to be different in different regions in India.

TAMC may deliberate on the GST practice being followed across the country and decide the matter.

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<u>Decision taken in 32nd TAMC</u>: TAMC decided that matter may be discussed with stake holders, concerned Regional office of Textile commissioner in upcoming ITC and brought back to TAMC.

Section note: As per 32nd TAMC decision, Stake holders, OIC of RO-Amritsar and OIC of RO-Noida were invited vide email dated 23.01.2023 for detailed discussion on the subject.

The following representative joined the meeting and deliberated the subject:

- 1. Shri Ajay Pandit, RO-Noida
- 2. Shri Sanjay Charak, RO- Amritsar
- 3. Shri Raj Mittal, Industry Association
- 4. Shri Charanjiv Singh, Industry Association

<u>Decision taken in 59th ITC:</u> After detailed discussion in the matter, it was decided to recommend to TAMC to allow the invoicing by Indian Authorized Agents in respect of imported machinery of enlisted machine manufacturer from aboard subject to :-

- The invoice raised by the authorized agent should be within 3 months period from the date of import from original machine manufacturer enlisted under ATUFS for consideration of subsidy under ATUFS.
- 2. All documents to establish credit link, details of complete payment of machinery cost and purchase trail will have to be submitted by the claimant unit, which includes all shipping documents & commercial invoice in the name of authorized agent of same machine manufacturer.
- 3. The above recommendation is applicable for small machines, which is being imported in batch/bulk quantity like stitching machines, Shoe vamp making machine, Glove making machine, Socks making machine, etc. for garment /made ups sector.

The Committee may deliberate and decide.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-13 (Agenda Point no.02 of 59th ITC):</u> Cases Forwarded by TUFS Cell - Manufacturer Name difference reg.

TUFS cell vide note no. 12(2986)/JIT/ATUFS/2020/TUFS/184 dated 24.01.2023 requested to place the issue regarding the machinery manufacturer name differences observed during scrutiny of ATUFS claim in respect of. M/s. Golden Texo Fab Pvt. Ltd. The manufacturer M/s. Qingdao Sendlong Machinery Co. Ltd., China enlisted in annexure-III at serial no. 47.ATUFS cell submitted Invoice copy, Machine name plate photo and manufacturer letter in which manufacturer stated that they have written name mistakenly in the machine name plate. The name differences as follows,

Name mentioned in invoice & as Enlisted in Annexure	Name mentioned in machine name plate	
M/s. Qingdao <u>Sendlong</u> Machinery Co. Ltd., China	M/s. Qingdao Shengdlong Machinery Co. Ltd., China	

Decision taken in 59th ITC:

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The committee deliberated and did not accept the declaration given by manufacturer. Hence, the committee did not recommend the case for release of subsidy, as none of the machine manufacturer would indicate their name wrongly on their own machine. The ITC also opined that such kind of cases are not required to be referred to ITC where there is clear mismatch in name of the machine manufacturer. Such cases has to be decided by RO/ATUFS cell itself. In future, if RO/ATUFS cell decide to refer the case(s) to ITC, they should clearly indicate merit of case for referring and send the same to ITC with their recommendation for the same. The referred cases without indicating merit of case and recommendation of referring officer will not be considered.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No-14 (Agenda Point no.04 of 59th ITC): Cases Forwarded by RR-TUFS Cell

RR TUFS CELL vide note no. F. No. 6(30)/ Reps. - Texport industries Pvt. Ltd./2022/RR-TUFS/54 dated 07.07.2022 forwarded copy of representation dated 24.06.2022 received from Shri. Sashi Sekhar, Director of M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore wherein it is informed that Band Knife Cutting Machine which is a Power Driven, is included in Annexure-MC-7 a-19 under RR-TUFS only for 5% IR but excluded in Annex-MC-14. The unit requested the reason to exclude the higher technology from MC-14 series.

The unit requested to consider the Band knife Cutting Machine which is higher technology and higher valued machine under Annexure-MC14 for both 5% IR & 10% CS. As power driven cloth cutting machines are available in both MC-14 and MC-7.

RR TUFS Cell requested to place the matter for decide the eligibility of the said Band knife Cutting Machine under 10% Capital Subsidy of GR on RR-TUFS as requested by the unit.

Decision Taken in 46th ITC dated 19.07.2022: The committee could not conclude based on details provided by the unit. Hence, it is decided to call them during next meeting of ITC for detailed discussion to decide on the matter, whether their machine is having higher technology as per machine enlisted under MC-14 of RR-TUFS or not.

Now the unit representatives confirmed their presence in the ITC meeting vide email dated 28.11.2022 against this office intimation regarding above decision. The representative Mr. Shashi Sekhar presented their submission on the above.

<u>Decision Taken in 56th ITC dated 07.12.2022:</u> The Committee directed that a detailed report may be called from the concerned Regional Office on comparison of technology/features between Band Knife Cutting Machine and power driven cloth cutting machine for further decision on this subject.

RO-Bangalore submitted the detailed comparison report vide letter no.4(1)/2022/A-TUFS/ROB/Vol-XII/160 dated 19.01.2023. The conclusion points are as follows:

The power driven cloth cutting machine and band knife cutting machine are having different technology and specification.

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The Band knife cutting machine is having upgraded technology for fine cutting with narrow blade. The build of the machine is fixed and superior when compared to the portable type of Power driven cloth cutting machine.

The cutting knife of Band knife cutting machine is endless and flexible equipped with silicon oil felt cooling down the knife. Further speed of the machine is adjustable as per requirement when compared to Power driven cloth cutting machine where speed cannot be adjusted. 90° angle lay cutting is possible in the Band knife cutting machine.

Price of the Band Knife Cutting Machine is higher than the power driven cloth cutting machine

Decision taken in 59th ITC: The committee examined the report given by the RO- Bangalore and noted that Band Knife Cutting Machine has higher technology compared to the power driven cloth cutting machine which is covered at serial no. 18 of MC-14 under RRTUFS. Hence, the committee recommends to accede unit request for considering Band knife Cutting Machine as higher technology of machine enlisted at serial no. 18 of Annexure-MC14 for both 5% IR & 10% CS in RRTUFS Scheme. Since, the RRTUF scheme is ended on 12.01.2016, hence matter may be referred to TAMC for taking suitable decision for amendment or allowing subsidy under RR-TUFS Annexure, if any.

The Committee may deliberate and decide.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC and decided to refer the matter to forthcoming IMSC as it pertains to RRTUFS where this is not in the defined list.

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-15 (Additional Agenda Point no.01 of 59th ITC):</u> Cases Forwarded by TUFS Cell - Model no. difference reg.

TUFS cell vide note no. 12(3756/JIT/ATUFS/2022/TUFS/198 dated 30.01.2023 requested to place the issue regarding the machinery model no. differences observed during scrutiny of ATUFS claim in respect of. M/s. Kaushik Weavetex Pvt. Ltd. The unit purchased airjet loom from the manufacturer M/s. Tsudakoma Corp. Japan. The model no. differences as follows,

Model no. in invoice	Model no. mentioned in machine name plate
ZAX001NEO	ZAX001

In this regard, ATUFS cell submitted Invoice copy, Machine name plate photo and manufacturer letter in which manufacturer stated that ":ZAX001" is an abbreviation of "ZAX001NEO".

Section note: In reference to the manufacturer website, "NEO "refers to their latest technology feature termed as "Neo weave technology".

<u>Decision taken in 59th ITC:</u> The committee reviewed the matter and noted that "NEO" refers to the latest technology and the additional information given in invoice. The committee recommended the case to consider for release of subsidy if other conditions are met as per ATUFS guidelines. The committee also directed that such cases may be disposed as per 32nd TAMC decision (Agenda no.5 - Sub agenda point no-09).

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

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Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No-16 (Agenda Point No 1 of 60th ITC): Case forwarded by RO- Navi-Mumbai

<u>Point No1</u>: Eligibility of machine manufactured on behalf of enlisted machinery manufacturer and Invoice no. mismatching.

RO-Navi Mumbai forwarded agenda vide letter no. 3(891) /2019/JIT /ATUFS /ROM/DOMBIVALI/ 316 dated 31.01.2023to decide the eligibility of the NASSENGER 8 model Inkjet Printing Machine under MC02-48 from the manufacturer M/s Konica Minolta INC, Japan who is enlisted in Annex-III at serial no. Sr. No. 124 purchased by M/s Shrijee Lifestyle Private Limited (ATUFS/2018-19/2170).

In the above said claim, 'Made in China' is mentioned in the machine name plate photo and Certificate of Origin. In addition to that, the invoice number quoted in the Certificate of Origin (COO) is ALLWIN988-034 dated 01.03.2018 where in commercial invoice it is mentioned as 293104054 dated 15.03.2018 issued by the M/s Konica Minolta INC, Japan.

In this regard, the machine manufacturer C vide their letter dated 25.08.2022 has informed that as per their internal operations, NASSENGER 8 machine is manufactured by M/s Shanghai Allwin, China and shipped through exporting company under agreement between M/s Konica Minolta INC, Japan & M/s Shanghai Allwin, China.

In addition to that, they informed that copy of agreement is already submitted to this office vide email dated 08.04.2022 from Konica Minolta INC, Japan.

Section Note:

In reference to the email dated 08.04.2022 regarding Sales & Purchase Agreement and sample documents (Invoice copy, COO by China chamber and self certified COO), this section forwarded to ATUFS section for necessary action in discussion with TMMA. (With the submitted documents, M/s. Konica Minolta, Japan is the Technology IPR & Trademark owner and M/s. Shanghai Allwin, China as the Contract Manufacturing & Service Partner for that technology.

M/s. Shanghai Allwin, China is not enlisted as subsidiary unit/agent under ATUFS in relation to M/s. Konica Minolta, Japan.

<u>Decision Taken in 60th ITC:</u> The committee observed that M/s. Shanghai Allwin, China is not enlisted under ATUFS and as per section note, M/s. Shanghai Allwin, China is contract manufacturer to M/s. Konica Minolta INC, Japan. Such kind of arrangements are not permitted under ATUFS. Hence, the committee has not considered this case.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Point No2: New machine name plate on existing machine

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R.O. Navi Mumbai have vide letter no 12(3250)/JIT/ATUFS/2018/TUFS/48 dt. 09.03.2022 informed that during the JIT of M/s. Shrijee Lifestyle Pvt. Ltd.

The issue was placed in 35th ITC meeting that during JIT, it was observed that the machine serial number is not engraved / punched in the machine plate and it is a label. However, the unit has submitted a certificate from the machine manufacturer i.e. M/s. Konica Minolta INC confirming that the name plates showing the model number of machine is properly affixed on the machine board. They have also mentioned that the body cover of the machine is very sleek; hence it is the general practice to affix a separate name plate showing the model number of the machine instead of engraving the same on it.

<u>Decision taken in 35th ITC:</u> After due deliberation in the matter the committee decided to ask for clarification from the unit as to whether the machine number is located in any other part of the machine and whether the machine can be identified if any other way apart from the label mentioning the machine serial number.

As per decision, this office asked unit for clarification vide e-mail dated 07.03.2022. In lieu of above manufacturer has submitted clarification vide e-mail dated 09.03.2022 alongwith screenshot of PC that the machine Sr no & model can be seen in the PC supplied with machine.

Decision taken in 38th ITC dated 10.03.2022: The committee reviewed the case and opined that deviation from name plate guidelines as per ATUFS GR does not fall under purview of ITC. It is a policy decision hence ATUFS section may process the case as per extant of ATUFS guidelines.

<u>Decision Taken by 28th TAMC dated 21.04.2022:</u> The Committee opined that considering the fact that M/s. Konica Minolta INC is reputed manufacturers: hence their all equipments/ machines should have machine serial numbers as due manufacturing requirements. Accordingly, directed ITC to again examine the case and submit findings within one month to TAMC.

Now, RO-Navi Mumbai have vide letter no.3(9542)/2019/ATUFS/ROM/Bhiwandi/323 dated 31.01.2023 forwarded unit representation, machine photos along with manufacturer declaration. In that manufacturer declaration, the manufacturer in discussion with their R&D team for the above said issue and found the strong place in the machine body for affixing the name plate. Further, the new machine name plate was fixed by their technical team in the existing machine.

<u>Decision Taken in 60th ITC:</u> The matter doesn't fall under the purview of ITC as it is not a technical matter. Hence, ATUFS Section may take a suitable view/decision based on the clarification received from the unit and guidelines of ATUFS. The committee again reiterated that ITC will consider only those cases for discussion, which will be referred by ATUFS cell/Regional office showing /indicating merit of the claim in accordance to guidelines/decision of TAMC.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No-17 (Agenda Point No 03.02 of 60th ITC): Invoice date mismatching

TUFS cell vide note no. 12(2278)/JIT/ATUFS/2019/TUFS/1145 dated 16.01.2023 submitted all supporting documents in reference to this section reply note regarding below issue for placing before the matter in the forthcoming ITC to take suitable decision.

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Name of the machinery manufacturer - M/s. TSudakoma corp. Japan
Date mentioned in invoice - 22.02.2018
Date mentioned in supporting documents (Country of Origin, Bill of Lading - 20.02.2018

The manufacturer clarified that due to typographical error, the date of invoice is written as 22.02.2018 and actual date of invoice is 20.02.2018.

In addition to the above issue, manufacturer declared that due to typographical error the packing list date for 14 sets of Airjet looms (Made in Japan) is mentioned as 15.02.2018 and the packing list date for 14 sets of Staubli Dobby motion (Made in France) is mentioned as 22.02.2018. Informed that original packing list date is 20.02.2018 and issued amended packing list for the same with their declaration letter dated 19.04.2022.

<u>Decision Taken in 60th ITC:</u> The matter doesn't fall under the purview of ITC as it is not a technical matter. Hence, ATUFS Section may take a suitable view/decision based on the clarification received from the unit and guidelines of ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The Chairperson expressed her displeasure on such lack of professionalism / mistakes by even reputed manufacturers. However members of TAMC suggested that since manufacturer is reputed and generally follows the best trade practices, the explanation given by the manufacturer may be accepted. The TAMC after deliberations accepted the submissions of manufacturer and decided that ATUFS Section may settle the case accordingly.

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-18 (Additional Agenda Point No-01 of 60th ITC)</u>: Enlistment of machinery manufacturers/authorized agents under ATUFS.

TMB section requested directions from the Internal Technical Committee for carry out the enlistment further in reference to the 39th ITC decision dated 29.03.2022 and TxC comment in the noting page of 58th ITC file.

Decision Taken in 39th ITC dated 29.03.2022:

- (i) As the closure of the scheme, in respect to upcoming ITC meetings, the Committee decided that the ITC meeting may be continued further with approval of competent authority.
- (ii) In case of enlistment of machine manufacturer shall be considered where UID will be issued before 31.03.2022. ATUFS cell is requested to provide details of non enlisted manufacturer where JIT is to be convened. The enlistment of new applicant received after 31.03.2022 may not be considered further except ongoing applications in respect to already obtained UID's.

Section Note: In reference to the 39th ITC decision and approval of the competent authority, TMB section is carrying out the processing of enlistment subject to UID details verification. However in some cases manufacturer details is not available in i-TUFS portal due to non submission of JIT request by beneficiary unit /invoice issued by authorized agent. Since, the beneficiary unit having 2 years timeline (from the date of term loan sanction) for submission of JIT request till that time addition/deletion of machine is allowed under UID which is issued under ATUFS.

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<u>Decision Taken in 60th ITC</u>: The committee decided to carry out enlistment of machinery manufacturers /authorized agents henceforth based on the request either from concerned Regional Office or ATUFS section as scheme is ended on 31.03.2022.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No-19 (Agenda Point no.02 of 61st ITC): TUFS cell forwarded note no. 12(3635)/JIT/ATUFS/2022/TUFS/119 dated 16.02.2023 regarding submission of branding exercise in respect of machinery manufacturer M/s. Karl Menzel Maschinenfabrik GmbH & Co., Germany who supplied Open Width Scouring and Bleaching range machine to M/s. Gupta Syntex Pvt. Ltd.

In aforesaid note, the manufacturer name mentioned in name plate as "Menzel Maschinenfabrik" however in commercial invoice the name mentioned as "M/s. Karl Menzel Maschinenfabrik GmbH & Co"

Manufacturer submitted trade mark registration certificate, Invoice copy, and machine name plate photo and machine catalogue page.

Section note: Logo in the available section records and all above documents are matching.

<u>Decision Taken in 61st ITC:</u> - The committee examined the documents and noted that the logo available in invoice and name plate is same in reference to their trademark certificate and letterhead. Hence, the committee recommended the case to consider for release of subsidy if other conditions are met as per ATUFS guidelines.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No- 20 (Agenda Point No 1 of 62nd ITC)</u>: Name change request from Machinery Manufacturer

M/s. Epson India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore has vide their letter dated. 28.11.022 requested this office for name change request from M/s. Fratelli Robustelli Srl, Italy who is enlisted at serial no.236 in Annexure -III under ATUFS to M/s. Epson Como Printing Technologies, Italy as a subsidiary manufacturer of Seiko Epson Corporation, Japan with effect from 10.12.2020.

In this regard unit submitted below documents,

- Declaration letter of the unit endorsed by the Indian Embassy, Milan.
- Company register office certificates for both names
- Chamber of Commerce statement
- Company registration report (Business license)
- ISO 9001 certificate in new name
- Financial statement for establishing subsidiary relationship.

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The unit requested below changes in Annexure - III:

M/S. Epson Como Printing Technologies S.R.L, Italy (Formerly Known as M/s. Fratelli Robustelli Srl, Italy) – A Subsidiary Manufacturing Unit Of M/S. Seiko Epson Corporation Limited. Japan) - W.E.F 10.12.2020.

<u>Decision Taken in 57th ITC dated 22.12.2023:</u> - The committee examined the documents and decided to call for clarification regarding existence of M/s. Epson Como Printing Technologies, Italy before 10.12.2020 and submission of undertaking, and sales figure in the unit letter head for enlistment as per circular-6 2018-19 series. In addition to that, they requested to submit the authorization letter from parent unit i.e. M/s. Seiko Epson Corporation Limited. Japan and establishing relationship documents with M/s. Fratelli Robustelli Srl, Italy.

<u>Section note:</u> M/s Seiko Epson, Japan and M/s Fratelli Robustelli Srl, Italy are enlisted under ATUFS as machinery manufacturer. Further it is also observed that M/s Fratelli Robustelli Srl, Italy is a subsidiary of M/s Seiko Epson, Japan as per 2018 audit report available with the section.

Now the unit submitted the below documents in reference to this office email dated 05.01.2023 and 25.01.2023.

- 1. Seiko Epson declaration letter Notarized document attested by Indian Embassy
- 2. Undertaking Letter
- 3. Sales Declaration

<u>Decision Taken in 62nd ITC:</u> The committee reviewed the documents such as Business License, Embassy certificate; Audited balance sheet submitted by M/s Seiko Epson, Japan and accepted the request of the unit for name change w.e.f 10.12.2020.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Sub Agenda Point No-21 (Agenda Point No 3 of 62nd ITC): Machinery manufacturer Name Difference.

ATUFS cell vide note no. 12(3363/JIT/ATUFS/2021/03 dated 01.03.2023 requested to place the issue regarding the machinery manufacturer name differences observed during scrutiny of ATUFS claim in respect of. M/s. Kanodia Global Private Limited. The unit purchased circular knitting machines from the manufacturer M/s. Huixing Machine Co. Ltd., China. The name differences as follows.

Name as per invoice	Name mentioned in machine name plate
HUIXING MACHINE CO., LTD.SHISHI	SHISHI CITY HUIXING MACHINERY CO., LTD.

In support of this issue, ATUFS cell submitted Invoice copy, Machine name plate photo and manufacturer letter in which the manufacturer stated that "SHISHI CITY HUIXING MACHINERY CO., LTD" is their old name and using the old name for brand reorganization & promotional measure".

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Section note: - Unit enlisted as M/S HUIXING MACHINE CO., LTD.SHISHI, CHINA in Annexure-III at serial no. 155 under ATUFS. The unit applied and registered in the new name only i.e. M/S HUIXING MACHINE CO., LTD.SHISHI, CHINA.

As per the available section records, the manufacturer had already declared vide letter dated 02.03.2021 regarding the above name change earlier in respect of ATUFS claim M/s. A.S Textiles, Ludhiana forwarded by RO-Amritsar.

<u>Decision Taken in 62nd ITC:</u> The Committee examined the documents and declaration of the manufacturer. It is noted that the manufacturer still using the old name on machine name plate, which was changed 1 year before from the date of invoice. Hence, the committee did not recommend the case.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-22 (Agenda Point No 5)</u>: Re-Request for Enlistment as machinery manufacturer under ATUFS after not recommended in previous ITC

Point no.1: "M/s. Qingdao Wintop Intelligent Equipment Co, Ltd.,"

The unit resubmitted their enlistment request in reference to the decision of 58th ITC dated 16.01.2023 which is reproduced below.

"Not recommended. As per business license submitted by the unit that they are not textile machinery manufacturers."

The details of representation is as follows,

Unit representation	Section Note		
Referred ISO certificate issued by Bureau Veritas stating that the certified unit is manufacture and sales of textile machinery (waterjet loom, Airjet loom, Rapier loom) The unit submitted webpage of third party website stating	"processing, sales, installation, maintenance, leasing :textile machinery"		
that they are machinery manufacturer. Submitted factory premises photos	Manufacturer is having own website- https://www.wintoptexmachinery.com/		

<u>Decision Taken in 62nd ITC:</u> The committee reviewed the documents along with the clarification submitted by the machine manufacturer. After due examination the committee did not recommend the manufacturer for enlistment under ATUFS.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

Point no.2: "M/s. Changzhou Guanboda International Trade Co, Ltd.,"

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The unit resubmitted their enlistment request in reference to the decision of 58th ITC dated 16.01.2023 which is reproduced below.

"Not recommended as the unit is in existing only from 2020 i.e. having less than three years sales figure. Further, as per their website they are selling 2nd hand machinery."

The details of representation as follows,

Unit representation	Section Note	
I. Sales figure - Submitted sales figure for four years (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) The unit was established in 03.08.2019 (submitted Government profit making enterprise certificate and Foreign Trade Operator certificate.	 Applied for MC-1-A-1,3,4,7 MC-1-B-8(Rapier loom, Airjet loom, waterjet loom, Electronic jacquard, warping machine) and business scope mentioned as textile machinery manufacturing 	
II. Web Site - The unit has submitted webpage of third party website stating that they are machinery manufacturer.	Manufacturer is not having own website.	

<u>Decision Taken in 62nd ITC:</u> - The committee reviewed the documents and clarification submitted by the machine manufacturer. After due examination the committee **did not recommend** the manufacturer for enlistment under ATUFS as it is in existence less than 3 years as per details available on website, the unit is dealing in **second hand machines**.

The Committee may deliberate and ratify the decision.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of ITC

<u>Sub Agenda Point No-23 (Additional Agenda Point No 1)</u>: High price variation of Indigo Dying Range

TUFS cell vide note no.12(2690)/JIT/ATUFS/2020/TUFS/140 dated 16.01.2023 requested to place the price variation issue of Indigo Dyeing Range purchased by M/s. Siddhi Weaves Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad from machinery manufacturer M/s Jupiter Comtex Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad. As per aforesaid note, it was observed that the cost of IDR machines seems to be higher side. In this regard RO-AHD forwarded units letter along with manufacturer comparison chart with standard scope of supply.

<u>Decision taken in 59th ITC dated 31.01.2023:</u> The case is deferred for detailed deliberation with the manufacturer during next meeting.

Informed to ATUFS cell and Machinery manufacturer for detailed deliberation on the above said issue through video conferencing on 10.02.2023 vide mail dated 06.02.2023 and 09.02.2023. A representative from the machinery manufacturer Shri Ashish Patel submitted their clarification clarified that, M/s. Siddhi weaves requested for additional features as per given bifurcation.

<u>Decision Taken in 60th ITC dated 10.02.2023:</u> The committee reviewed the other cases of ATUFS claims as well as clarification on terms of item wise justification of price difference (attached as annexure-II) submitted by the machinery manufacturer and observed that the machinery manufacturer has not provided proper clarification. Moreover, during V.C discussion the

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manufacturer could not able to clarify the difference in price with proper technical details. Hence, the committee asked ATUFS cell to provide copies of orders placed by those units and proforma invoices of machine manufacturer to examine the claim further where the manufacturer supplied the same model machine. Accordingly, the machine manufacturer to submit the request/order letter of M/s. Siddhi Weaves & M/s. Vishal Fabric Ltd. alongwith proforma invoices and purchase orders copies to examine the claim further.

In reference to the above decision, the unit submitted documents vide email dated 22.02.2023 in against to this office query email dated 20.02.2023.

Section Note:

M/s. Siddhi Weaves Pvt. Ltd, Ahmedabad - The purchase order copy does not comprise any signature and reference quotation no. & date. In addition to that, the proforma invoice issued on 23.07.2017(with GST)which is after the invoice date is 05.04.2017 and the same proforma invoice copy also not signed. (Without GST). The basic value also changed with tax slab change from before GST and after GST in Purchase Order and Proforma Invoice respectively.

M/s. Vishal Fabrics Ltd., Ahmedabad -In reference to the purchase order copy, not having any quotation no. & date. In addition to that, proforma invoice copies serial number is not matching with the proforma invoice copies number mentioned in the submitted invoice copies.

Decision Taken in 61st ITC dated 27.02.2023:- The committee examined the documents and found that the submitted documents are not in line as per discussion with the manufacturer during 60th ITC VC meeting wherein requested supporting documents to establish additional features/customization supplied to the beneficiary. In addition, based on section remark mentioned above, the committee opined that the documents are not as per standard business practice hence decided to issue show cause notice to the manufacturer to justify the discrepancies observed and why they should not be delisted from the approved list of machine manufacturer under ATUFS.

The representatives from M/s. Siddhi Weaves Pvt. Ltd, Ahmedabad and M/s Jupiter Comtex Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad visited this office on 14.03.2023 and attended the meeting with the permission of chairman to present their justification on the issue.

Decision Taken in 62nd ITC: The representative from M//s. Siddhi Weaves Pvt. Ltd, Ahmedabad and M/s Jupiter Comtex Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad submitted their comments before the ITC during the meeting that the price variation is due to additional feature compared to standard machine requisite by the beneficiary unit. The matter was discussed with the representatives of unit in the presence of technical committee members and concluded that a committee of technical officers to be constituted to study and submit the detailed report on standard machine in comparison to the customized machines supplied to M/s. Siddhi Weaves Pvt. Ltd, Ahmedabad and M/s. Vishal Fabrics Ltd., Ahmedabad within 15 days. The technical committee comprises of Shri Saurabh Kumar Sinha (DD), R.O.Ahmedabad as Chairman, Shri Humayun K (AD), Headquarter Office, Mumbai, Shri Satish Kumar K (AD), R.O.Bangalore and Shri Narottam Kumar (AD) Headquarter Office, Mumbai.

ATUFS Section Note:-

Recommendation of ITC to constitute the Committee of officers of Office of Textile Commissioner itself to ascertain price of standard machine vis-a-vis customized machines may not be prudent as

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these officers may not have expert in costing of different versions of machines. Moreover they are also involved in processing and implementing the scheme. Hence it is recommended to assign the work to any third party institutions such as Patent office, Institutes (IIT/DKTE/VJTI etc.), Machine Manufactures associations/society i.e. ITME/TMMA, Textile Research associations i.e. any TRAs or any third party of similar Machine Manufacturer. The Committee may deliberate and decide.

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The committee noted that decision regarding price variation/ over invoicing has already been taken previously by TAMC in its 19th meeting held on 23.12.2020 at additional agenda no. 6 and as such reason to bring it before TAMC is not clear. The decision of earlier TAMC stands.

Agenda No. 9 of TMB section regarding enlistment of machine manufacturer for Jute scheme.

TMB Section has requested to place the agenda in TAMC as National Jute Board vide letter dated 17.01.2023 requested for views for considering "China Council for Promotion of International Trade China chamber of International Commerce" in place of "Embassy certificate" in the registration process of foreign machine vendor.

In respect of National Jute Board:- The present the Indian Consulate in china are refusing to issue such certificate as reported by some foreign vendors, resulting delay in the De-novo registration process. Under such circumstance they are requesting to consider certificate issued by "China Council for Promotion of International Trade China chamber of International Commerce" in place of "Embassy certificate".

It is pertinent to mention here that this office follows circular -6 dated 31.08.2018 for enlistment of machinery manufactures under ATUFS. In case of imported machinery manufacturer, Certificate from the Embassy or Trade Council of the respective Country either situated in their Country or in India, stating that they are Textile Machinery manufacture in the respective country.

In this connection 18th TAMC dated 09.10.2020 agenda no-03 i.e. inclusion of machine manufacture who have not submitted proper Embassy certificate, the decision is reproduced below:- The Committee deliberated and decided that since Indian Embassy, itself in their website has stated that they will accept trade documents for certification only when if the same is signed & certified by the Ministry of External Affairs of the respective countries and even after said certification by the Ministry of External Affairs of the respective countries Indian Embassy in respective country will only stamp as "Seen in Embassy " and does not bear any responsibility hence as recommended by the Expert Committee that if Ministry of External Affairs of the respective country in certifying clearly the manufacturing activities of textile machine manufactures and same is seen and signed by the Indian Embassy situated in respective country has to be accepted for enlistment subject to other documents as per Circular 6 dated 31.08.2018 are found proper and after due assurance on veracity of documentation and other control checks. As regard to decision of the Expert Committee in case of Apostle Certificate, it was decided that any authorized Government body of any country is certifying that manufacturing activities of the applicant and where an Apostille certificate bears that signature and the capacity of the signatory with the seal or stamp, then the same may be considered subject to from the same country, no certification of Embassy had been submitted earlier by any manufacturer.

The matter appears to be a clarification sought by NJB and may accordingly be replied by concerned section based on facts.

The Committee may deliberate and decide.

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Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee has no role to decide on the matter of another scheme.

Agenda No. 10 Minutes of the 5th meeting of Expert Committee held on 10.02.2023 at 02.30 PM through Video Conferencing for decoding of YoM for M/s. Zoje Sewing Machine Co. Ltd., China

In follow-up of the decision taken in 17th Meeting of TAMC under ATUFS the Expert committee constituted to work out the modalities for operationalizing the decoding of YoM from the barcode on the machine name plate/ machine in a manner to ensure compliance to existing guidelines and facilitate the support and based on the clarifications and certificates submitted by the machinery manufacturer / industry members to ATUFS cell time to time. Accordingly the 5th meeting of Expert Committee was held under the Chairmanship of Shri S.P.Verma, Additional Textile Commissioner on 10.02.2023 at 02.30 PM through Video Conferencing.

The machine manufacturer M/s. **Zoje Sewing Machine Co. Ltd., China** has submitted a certificate dated 19.04.2022 for decoding procedure for their 9 digit (numeric) machine serial number mentioned in their sewing machines. It has been certified that first two digits denotes the year of Manufacturing, the 3rd & 4th digit denotes Month and the last five digits denotes machine serial number.

The matter has been discussed by the members of Expert Committee in detail. Accordingly, the decoding procedure has been found in line with the Machine serial number mentioned in the JIT inspection report and in the machine photograph. The committee members including member from CMAI & AEPC are accepted the decoding procedure for YOM from the 9 digit machine serial number mentioned in the said certificate dated 19.04.2022.

Decision of the Expert Committee:

The Expert Committee accepted the decoding procedure as defined in case of the sewing machines supplied by the machine manufacturer M/s. Zoje Sewing Machine Co. Ltd., China as per their certificate dated 19.04.2022.

The committee may review and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- Committee ratified the decision of Expert Committee.

Agenda no . 11 (Agenda Point No. of 63rd ITC):

Representation received from M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore.

The Regional Office of Textile Commissioner, Coimbatore has disallowed the cloth cutting machines for knitted rib collar purchased by M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore as it has a speed of 1345 RPM whereas under MC-4 Sr. No. 21 the requirement of Power driven cloth cutting machine is minimum speed of 2000 RPM. M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore that as the said cloth cutting machine of Swedish make is a specialized for knitted RIB collar used to cut RIB collar with précised shape which is a very critical part of T-shirt or any other knitwear with RIB collar. The machine cannot operate with High speed as it is meant to cut with precision for accurate shape. Further, it is a High Tech Machine which is of higher value.

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M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore have requested this office to include this machine under MC-4 as a separate entry or to modify the existing entry with these additional description "Power driven cloth cutting machine specialized for knitted RIB fabric for collar with speed of 1345 RPM.

Section Note: Though M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore is stating that the said machine is working at a speed of 1345 RPM the same is not mentioned anywhere in the product brochure submitted by M/s. Texport Industries Pvt. Ltd for the EC50 semi automatic cutting machine and neither is the same mentioned in the company website at www.svegea.se. The machinery manufacture has also not enlisted under ATUFS for this particular machine; they have enlisted only for the machines at Sr. No. 73, 76 and 99 of MC-4.

<u>Decision Taken in 50th ITC dated 08.09.2022:</u> The Committee directed that a detailed report may be called from the concerned Regional Office on comparison between the two machines and deficiency in the technology, if any. They may also highlight the reason as to why the speed of RIB cutter has to be less than the speed of Power driven cloth cutting machine, and the range at which machine operates.

Now, RO- Coimbatore forwarded the visit report along with comments of OIC, RO-Coimbatore dated 15.03.2023 against this office request letter dated 07.11.2022 in pursuance the above decision. The Comments of OIC, RO-Coimbatore as follows,

"From the visit report, it is observed that the RIB-Cutting machine is also an important machine being used in the garment industry for cutting narrow width fabrics especially RIB structured fabrics and as such the speed of the RIB cutting machine is relatively lower than the Cloth cutting machine which has been specified under ATUFS. Further, it may also be noted that normal cloth cutting machine cannot be used for cutting RIB cloths and piping cloths. Accordingly, it is opined that RIB cutting machine of this specification may be considered for allowing subsidy under ATUFS by the Competent Authority."

Section note: As per the report, RIB Cutting Machine is used for cutting/slitting a single piece of tubular /piping structured rib fabric at a time for collars and other garment parts at the maximum speed of 1350 to 1400 rpm. In the submitted invoice, it is mentioned as power driven cloth cutting machine. The machine is manually pedal operated semi automatic machine in reference to technical literature (machine).

As per G.R, rib cutting machine not listed in MC- 4(Machinery for Apparel and Garments). However, Power driven cloth cutting machine with minimum speed of 2000 RPM is listed under MC-4 (Machinery for Apparel and Garments) at Serial no. 21.

<u>Decision taken in 63rd ITC:</u> The committee examined the report given by the RO- Coimbatore and referred the above section note. The committee decided to refer the matter to TAMC for taking suitable decision for addition of Tubular/Piping cloth cutting machine with speed range based on the cloth structure i.e. Rib fabric/Interlock/Single jersey/Pique in MC-4(Machinery for Apparel and Garments).

The committee may review and ratify the decision

Decision of 33rd Meeting of TAMC:- The matter was deliberated at length. There were contradictory views on whether it is a new technology or it is existing technology with some special features due to which speed is reduced. The section note was also not resonating with the analysis by ITC. The Committee therefore decided that ITC may re-examine the matter afresh.

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TAMC also suggested that if there is no merit found in it by ITC, the matter may not be brought again to TAMC by ITC.

The meeting was end with vote of thanks

list of participants

- 1. Ms. Roop Rashi, Textile Commissioner In Chair
- 2. Ms. Usha P Pol, Deputy Director General, O/o TxC, Mumbai
- 3. Shri S.P. Verma Addl. Textile Commissioner, O/o TxC Mumbai
- Shri Vipan K Kohli, Joint Textile Commissioner, O/o TxC Mumbai
 Shri Ajay Pandit, Joint Textile Commissioner, O/o TxC Mumbai
- 6. Shri Sivakumar S Deputy Director, O/o TxC Mumbai
- 7. Shri MithleshThakur Secretary General, AEPC
- 8. Shri Bharat Gandhi Chairman, Federation of Indian Art Silk Weaving Industry (FIASWI), Surat
- 9. Dr. K. Selvaraju S.G., The Southern India Mills' Association, Coimbatore
- 10. Shri Narottam Kumar, Assistant Director, O/o TxC Mumbai
- 11. Representative of TUFS Cell, Small Industries Development Bank of India(SIDBI)
- 12. Senior Manager, IDBI BANK
- 13. Shri Sachin Kumar E.D. Textile Machinery Manufacturers Association, Mumbai
- 14. Ms Chandrima, CITI
- 15. Shri Mohan Sadhwani E.D., Clothing Manufacturers' Association of India (CMAI), Mumbai
- 16. Dr. Anup Rakshit E.D., Indian Technical Textile Association (ITTA), Mumbai
- 17. Shri Charanjit singh, Knitwear Textile Club Ludhiana
- 18. Shri Abinash D, Powerloom Development and Export Promotion Council (PDEXCIL), Mumbai
- 19. Representative TUFS Cell, IDBI Bank, Mumbai
- 20. Shri Sasikumar Menon, Dy.Secretary WOOLTEXPRO
- 21. Representative of , TUFS Cell, State Bank of India, Mumbai
- 22. Representative of SRTEPC, Mumbai
- 23. Ms. Saeeda Patel, AEPC.
- 24. Representative of bank of Baroda

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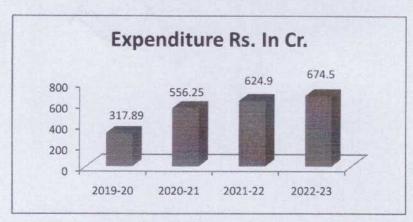
A major policy reform was made in January, 2016 with the introduction of Amended TUFS (ATUFS), a central sector scheme to provide credit linked Capital Investment Subsidy (CIS) to units located across the country for purchase of benchmarked machinery in different segment of Textile Sectors (excluding spinning) across the value chain and across fibres. The scheme was opened for UID generation upto March, 2022 to ensure support for technology upgradation combined with assurance on asset creation with Government support.

In PAN India Since inception (2015-16) of ATUFS, 14389 applications have been registered for projects worth Rs 69159 Crore, subsidy support Rs. 4962 Crore with employment support for more than 17 lakh workers over 5 years. Subsidy amount Rs. 1103 Cr. has been released till 31st March 2022.

Out of 14389 UID for CIS, total 12986 (89%) are MSMEs and 1403 (11%) are Non MSMEs stakes.

- · About 94 % of the request has been inspected by JIT team.
- About 88 % of the inspected cases have been settled by this office.
- About 96% pendency has been cleared since 2019-20 to 2022-23.
- Almost field offices are current in pendencies under ATUFS.
- About 104 % of the allocated budget has been utilized in FY 2022-23 by this office under ATUFS.
- 60 Nos of Internal Technical Committee since 2019-20 to 2022-23,
- 33 Nos. Technical Advisory cum monitoring committee conducted since inception of ATUFS out of which 19
 Nos. TAMC conducted since 2019-20 to 2022-23 which conclude maximum decisions.
- 15 Nos. Outreach cum clearing camps in concentrated cluster across the country conducted under TUFS in Year 2022-23.
- 685 Machine suppliers were enlisted since 2019-20 to 2022-23 through ITC.

In effect for 7 year period, the large amount of work has been done since mid -2019 and through difficult Covid phase-I& II



Impact assessment study carried out through DMEO, NITI Aayog; As per the study report, TUFS had a positive impact on the performance of the Indian textiles industry and the scheme played a major role in improving technology levels, increasing investments, production, product quality, exports and increasing employment generation as briefly indicated below:

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- About 80% of the investment in textile sector emerged from the TUFS scheme.
- More than 85% beneficiaries witnessed an increase in production volume. In weaving segment, more than 75% beneficiaries witnessed an increase in production volume of greater than 5%.
- Overall, 75% beneficiaries have witnessed an increase in value of exports. Technical textile segment had the highest positive response of 82% for export increase.
- Majority of companies across all segments witnessed cost reduction between 1% and 10%.
- About 89% of the beneficiaries agreed that the scheme led to improvement in product quality.

Certain operational bottlenecks and procedural complexities noticed under Government Resolution, 2016 of ATUFS have been modified and revised vide guidelines 2018 under ATUFS with following which have facilitated ease of credit flow/ support:

- Auto generation of UID- The process of manual scrutiny of applications in the O/o TxC for issue of UID replaced by auto generation of UID.
- Digital signature for submitting applications- Use of Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) to submit applications in iTUFS has been enabled for stronger authentication.
- Delegation of Financial powers under TUFS financial Power for release of subsidy under TUFS decentralized to various levels (including Officer in charge of Regional Offices) of the Office of the Textile Commissioner.
- Online tracking of clarifications- To increase transparency and fast track resolution of claims, all
 correspondence with units/ROs are being forwarded through iTUFS portal.
- Geo tagging of units- To track and monitor units availing subsidy, uploading of geo tagged, time stamped photographs of the unit has been enabled in iTUFS.
- Online release of payment through PFMS under DBT.
- Online availability of the status to the applicants.
- Reduction of compliance burden in process: various reviews /course correction taken to address situation/constraints to industry through the, Internal Technical Committee(ITC), Technical Advisory cum Monitoring Committee (TAMC) and Inter-Ministerial Steering Committee (IMSC)
- Consultative process for monitoring, corrections and for interpretations while implementing the scheme. (ITC/ TAMC/IMSC)
- Focus support MSMEs: Spinning segment, which had achieved desired level of modern technology excluded.
 Under ATUFS ratio of MSME: Non MSME is 89: 11 while under previous versions of TUFS it was 30:70
- Scientific deployment of resources to address the pendency zones specially COVID period onwards.
- Special drives taken on camp mode in the regions having higher pendency and load for speedy disposal of claims under TUFS as per the following:
 - Additional team deployed in RO-Ahmedabad, RO-Mumbai, RO-Noida and RO-Coimbatore to clear the RO level backlog.
 - Three teams with all verticals deployed in Head Quarters, Mumbai to clear the backlog of HQ level cases.

Now Physical inspection in all the regions are current and settlement of cases related largely field level also current

Annexure-III

SR NO.	NAME OF THE UNIT	ELIGIBLE TEXTILE MACHINE COVERD UNDER WHICH ANNEXURE OF ATUFS	MOU FOR AUTHORIZED AGENT WITH % OF COMMISSION
INDI	GENOUS		
1	M/s. Unix Stitchmachines Pvt Ltd., Surat (Auth. Agent of M/s. Zhejiang Promaker Intelligent Embroidery Equipment Co., Ltd. China.)		1%
2	M/s. Studio Next Technology Private Limited, Andheri (E), Mumbai (Auth. Agent of M/s. Tianjin Richpeace AI Co, Ltd., China)		25%
3	M/s. Eurotech Technical Solutions Pvt Ltd., Chennai (Auth. Agent of M/s. PPT Group UK Ltd {Formerly Known As M/s. James H. Heal And Company Ltd., Limited, England})		17.7%
4	M/s. Nanotek Controls, Faridabad, Haryana	MC-2-24, MC-2-39, MC-2-41, MC- 2-42	
5	M/s. Atul Enterprise, Ahmedabad, Gujarat	MC-1-A-1(Rapier loom accessories), MC1-A-3(Air jet loom accessories), MC-1-A-4(Water jet loom accessories)	
ABRO	DAD		
6	M/s. Jakob Muller AG Frick, Switzerland	MC-1-A-1	
7	M/s. Benninger AG., Switzerland Subsidiary Unit: M/s. Kusters Textile GmbH., Germany	MC-2-38, MC-2-15, MC-2-44, MC-2-57, MC-2-91, MC-2-86, MC-2-16, MC-2-24, MC-2-7, MC-2-41, MC-2-42, MC-3-E-7	
8	M/s. Dongguan Gao EN Machine Co, Ltd., China	MC-3-c-6	
9	M/s. Fujian Province Realknit Precision Machinery Co, Ltd., China	MC-1-C-1	
10	M/s. Zhejiang Hongxin Technology Co, Ltd., China	Warp knitting beam	
11	M/s. Royal Star Imp and Exp Co, Ltd., Hong Kong (Auth. Agent of M/s, Hangzhou Wumu Technology Co., Ltd. China)		3%
12	M/s. Haseki Plastik Makina Sanayi Ve Ticaret Limited Sirketi, Istanbul (Auth. Agent of M/s. Remak Makina Sanayi Ve Ticaret Ltd. Istanbul)		1%
13	M/S. JINJIANG SHUNCHANG MACHINERY MANUFACTURING CO, LTD., CHINA	MC-3-I-9	
14	M/S. ZHEJIANG LIANKE MACHINERY CO, LTD., CHINA	MC-2-18, MC-2-21, MC-2-38, MC- 2-56	

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