Government of India Ministry of Commerce & Industry Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: 17th December, 2025

Policy Circular No. 08/2025-26

To.

1. All Customs Commissionerate (s)

2. Members of Trade & Industry

Subject: Procedure for implementation of Import Management System for import of restricted IT Hardware (viz. Laptops, Tablets, All-in-one Personal Computers, Ultra small form factor computers and Servers under HSN 8471) for the calendar year 2026 - reg.

Attention is drawn to DGFT Notification No. 23/2023 dated 03rd August 2023, read with Notification No. 26/2023 dated 4th August 2023 and Notification No. 38/2023 dated 19th October 2023, whereby Import of IT Hardware (viz. Laptops, Tablets, All-in-one Personal Computers, Ultra small form factor computers and Servers under HSN 8471) was 'Restricted'. Further, vide Policy Circular No. 09/2024-25 dated 11.12.2024 detailed procedure for implementation of the Import Management System for import of restricted IT Hardware, for the calendar year 2025, was put in place.

- 2. In continuation of the above, the Import Management System for import of restricted IT Hardware, for the calendar year 2026, is as follows:
 - Importers shall apply in the Import Management System for Import Authorization on the DGFT Website.
 - II. The application portal will be open from 22.12.2025 to 15.12.2026.
- III. Any Authorization issued for the import of restricted IT Hardware under IMS shall be valid till 31.12.2026.
- IV. An importer is allowed to submit multiple applications in a year.
- V. Any request for amendment arising during the validity of the Authorization may be submitted on the DGFT website.
- VI. Based on the need, a mid-term review may be undertaken by MeitY to provide updated inputs on the IMS to DGFT.
- VII. DGFT reserves the rights to amend, modify, suspend or withdraw the above procedures, in whole or in part, at any time based on policy requirements or directions of the Government.

This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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