

Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Commerce
Directorate General of Foreign trade

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Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi

Trade Notice No. 16 /2025-26

To,

1. Industry and Trade;
2. All Nominated Agencies/AD Banks;
3. All concerned Customs Authorities, and
4. IFSCA/IIBX.

Subject – Procedure for refund of application fees deposited by applicants for Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) for import of Gold Bullion under India-UAE CEPA for 2025-26-reg.

Reference is drawn to the Minutes of the meeting dated 16.10.2025 for consideration of the allocation of TRQ under the India-UAE CEPA for FY 2025-26, wherein it was decided that the provisional allocations made in the EFC meeting held on 29.04.2025 stand **Cancelled**.

2. In light of the same, applicants who applied for the TRQ for import of Gold Bullion may choose to apply for a refund of application fees, according to the procedural steps laid below. Applicants are requested to keep their login credentials of the DGFT website (<https://dgft.gov.in>), their e-sign or Digital Signature Certificate, ready while applying for a refund request.

3. Steps regarding the refund process are submitted as follows for suitable guidance –

i. The status of TRQ Applications filed for allocation of Gold under India-UAE CEPA for the year 2025-26 in reference to Trade Notice no. 30/2024-25 dated 12.02.2025 will be changed to closed automatically. Once the Status of the application is reflecting as “closed” on the DGFT portal, the applicant can file a refund request at DGFT website.

ii. Refund request is to be made at the DGFT Website → Services → e-Miscellaneous Payment Service → Apply for Refund.

iii. The file number of the restricted import authorisation application which is closed is required while applying for a refund request. A validated bank account in the name of the IEC holder must be specified in the refund application.

4. For any additional assistance, the Help Document may be referred to on the DGFT Website → Learn → Application Help & FAQs → Refund Scheme → Refund Help Document.

5. The new procedure for filing of fresh applications for Gold TRQ under India – UAE CEPA for FY 2025-26 will be intimated through a separate Public/Trade Notice.

This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority


(Raman Kumar)

Deputy Director General of Foreign Trade

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