GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Ministry of Commerce and Industry

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DIVISIONS:

1.INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY

1. What is the main purpose of the Trade Policy Division?
2. Who heads the TNM Division, and what are the key responsibilities of this division?
3. Can you provide a brief overview of the structure of the TNM Division?
4. How can I contact the head of the TNM Division?
5. Where is the Trade Negotiation Wing located within the Department of Commerce?
6. What are the major functions of TNM (Agriculture & WTO Coord) Desk?
7. Can you explain the functions of TNM (Rules & Dispute) Desk?
8. What does TNM (Trade Facilitation) Desk primarily focus on?
9. Who is currently heading the TNM (Agriculture & WTO Coord) Desk?
10. Can you provide information about the officers in charge of TNM (Rules & Dispute) Desk?
11. Who is the Director of TNM (Services-I) Desk?
12. What is the role of TNM (NAMA) Desk in WTO committees and negotiations?
13. Can you explain the functions of TNM (Services-I) Desk in WTO-related work?
14. How does TNM (Environment & Labour Desk) contribute to WTO issues on trade and environment?
15. What is the responsibility of TPD (SPS-TBT-TRIPS Desk) regarding notifications under WTO agreements?
16. How does TNM (Rules & Dispute) Desk handle compliance with relevant WTO Agreements?
17. Can you elaborate on TNM (NAMA Desk) functions related to compliance with relevant WTO Agreements?
18. How does TNM (Admn & Coord Desk) contribute to overall coordination within TPD?
19. What are the functions of TNM (Trade Facilitation Desk) in terms of overall coordination for WTO negotiations?
20. Can you explain TNM (NAMA Desk) role in the overall coordination for WTO negotiations?
21. What is the focus of TNM (Services-I Desk) regarding market access discussions in WTO?
22. How does TNM (Environment & Labour Desk) address trade and labor issues in WTO?
23. Can you provide information about TNM (Trade Facilitation Desk) functions related to customs valuation and pre-shipment inspection?
24. What are the miscellaneous functions of TNM (Admn & Coord Desk)?
25. Can you explain TNM (NAMA Desk) role in discussions related to government procurement and global coherence?
26. How does TNM (Services-I Desk) contribute to India's submissions at the WTO?
27. Is there currently a vacancy for the Additional Secretary (TNM)?
28. Can you provide information on any recent changes in the officers within TNM Division?
29. What is the main role of the Rules, FTA Coordination, Regional and Plurilateral Division?
30. Can you provide a brief overview of the functions handled by this division?
31. Regional and Plurilateral Engagements:
32. Which regional and plurilateral engagements does the division deal with?
33. Can you explain the role of the division in Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and other similar organizations?
34. What is the division's role in coordinating Free Trade Agreements (FTA)?
35. How does the division contribute to the utilization, monitoring, and impact analysis of FTAs?
36. What functions does the division perform in relation to Rules of Origin (Preferential and Non-Preferential)?
37. Can you explain the division's role in Rules of Origin negotiations and support to Territorial Divisions?
38. Which Mega FTAs (TTIP, CPTPP, RCEP, etc.) does the division handle, and what is its role in these negotiations?
39. Can you provide information on the division's involvement in BIMSTEC Free Trade Agreement Negotiations?
40. What is the division's responsibility regarding the Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP)?
41. How does the division monitor and handle matters related to Generalized System of Preferences (GSP)?
42. Who is responsible for the administration and coordination of the TNB (Rules, FTA Coordination, Regional and Plurilateral Arrangements Division)?
43. How does the division handle financial and budget matters, including pre-budget proposals?
44. What specific responsibilities does Shri Tapan Mazumder, Additional DGFT, have within the division?
45. Can you outline the functions handled by Ms. Taruna Doliya, Deputy Secretary, in relation to Rules of Origin?
46. How does the division engage with international organizations like UNCTAD and the World Economic Forum (WEF)?
47. Can you provide details on the division's involvement in APTA and BIMSTEC Free Trade Agreement Negotiations?
48. What issues related to Supply Chain Resilience does the division address, and how?
49. Can you explain the division's role in matters related to Global Value Chain (GVC)?

2.FOREIGN TRADE TERRITORIAL

1. What is the role of the Foreign Trade (Africa) Division?
2. Can you provide details about the officers in the Africa Division?
3. How has bilateral trade between India and Sub-Saharan Africa changed over the years?
4. What are the major trade agreements and negotiations involving India and African countries?
5. What is the primary function of the Foreign Trade Division for Africa?
6. Who is the Additional Secretary in charge of the Africa Division, and what are their contact details?
7. Can you provide the trade statistics for India's bilateral trade with Sub-Saharan Africa for the year 2022-2023?
8. What are the key trade agreements mentioned in the document for India-Africa relations?
9. Who are the officers in the Foreign Trade Division for NAFTA, and what are their respective roles?
10. What are the bilateral trade statistics between India and the USA for the year 2021-2022?
11. What institutional mechanisms are in place for trade with Canada, as mentioned in the document?
12. Who is the Joint Secretary heading the Foreign Trade Division for CIS, and what are the major tasks of the division?
13. Can you provide details on the ongoing negotiations for the Trade Agreement between India and the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU)?
14. How can someone contact the CPIO for the Foreign Trade Division related to CIS countries under the RTI Act?

3.EXPORT PRODUCTS

1. What are the major export products of India according to commerce.gov.in?
2. Can you provide a list of top 5 export products from India in the current year?
3. How does the export product composition vary across different regions of the world?
4. Which industries contribute significantly to India's export product portfolio?
5. What are the emerging trends in India's export products as per commerce.gov.in?
6. Are there any specific government initiatives to promote certain export products?
7. Can you provide information on the export growth rate for specific products in the last five years?
8. How does India strategize to compete globally in terms of export products?
9. What role do export products play in India's overall economic growth?
10. Can you explain the impact of global economic conditions on India's export product performance?

4.EXPORT INDUSTRIES

1. Which industries are considered the backbone of India's export sector?
2. Are there any sunrise industries that show significant potential for exports?
3. How does the government support export-oriented industries in terms of policies and incentives?
4. Can you provide insights into the challenges faced by export industries in India?
5. What role do small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) play in India's export industries?
6. What initiatives are in place to enhance the competitiveness of export industries globally?
7. How does the export industry landscape differ between urban and rural areas?
8. What is the contribution of technology-driven industries to India's export sector?
9. Are there specific strategies to promote eco-friendly industries in exports?
10. How has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted India's export industries?

5.EXPORT SERVICES

1. Which services contribute significantly to India's export revenue?
2. Can you provide data on the export of IT and software services from India?
3. How does the government support the growth of export services, particularly in the IT sector?
4. Are there any challenges faced by service-oriented exports, and how are they addressed?
5. What are the key global markets for India's export services?
6. How do educational and healthcare services contribute to India's export sector?
7. What role does the tourism sector play in India's export services?
8. Can you provide information on the skill development initiatives for export services?
9. What are the emerging trends in India's export services, as per commerce.gov.in?
10. How does India maintain a competitive edge in the global market for export services?

6.SEZ

1. What is the role of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in promoting exports?
2. Can you provide a list of major SEZs in India and their focus areas?
3. How does the government incentivize businesses to set up operations in SEZs for exports?
4. What are the advantages of companies operating within SEZs in terms of exports?
5. Are there any specific policies governing exports from SEZs as per commerce.gov.in?
6. How has the performance of SEZs evolved in the last five years in terms of exports?
7. What challenges do SEZs face, and how are they being addressed for export promotion?
8. Can you provide data on the employment generated by SEZs through export-related activities?
9. How do SEZs contribute to technology transfer and innovation in export industries?
10. What measures are in place to ensure environmental sustainability in SEZs engaged in exports?

7.ECONOMIC

1. How does the economic climate in India impact the country's export performance?
2. Can you provide insights into the role of foreign direct investment (FDI) in export growth?
3. What is the current account balance and trade balance of India as per commerce.gov.in?
4. How are exchange rate fluctuations managed to support exports?
5. Can you explain the role of economic reforms in boosting India's export potential?
6. What are the key economic indicators influencing India's export strategy?
7. How does India strategize to enter and compete in new and emerging global markets?
8. Can you provide data on the contribution of exports to India's GDP?
9. What role do economic partnerships and alliances play in India's export growth?
10. How does India address economic challenges to ensure sustainable export growth?

8.ADMINISTRATION AND GENERAL SERVICE

1. What is the administrative structure supporting India's export-related activities?
2. Can you provide information on the role of administrative bodies in export promotion?
3. How does the government facilitate coordination among various departments for exports?
4. What services are offered by the administrative bodies to assist exporters?
5. How are administrative processes streamlined to enhance the ease of doing business in exports?
6. What measures are in place for administrative transparency in export-related matters?
7. How does the government ensure compliance with international trade regulations in exports?
8. Can you explain the dispute resolution mechanisms available for export-related issues?
9. What initiatives are in place for the digitalization of administrative services in exports?
10. How does India ensure the efficient administration of trade agreements and negotiations?

9.VIGILANCE

1. How is vigilance maintained to prevent fraudulent activities in the export sector?
2. What are the mechanisms for monitoring and controlling illegal practices in exports?
3. Can you provide examples of vigilance measures ensuring fair trade practices in exports?
4. How does India address issues related to smuggling and counterfeit goods in exports?
5. What role do vigilance agencies play in ensuring the quality and standards of exported goods?
6. Are there specific initiatives to promote ethical business practices in export activities?
7. How is data security and confidentiality maintained in export-related vigilance activities?
8. Can you provide information on the penalties and consequences for export-related violations?
9. What role does international cooperation play in export vigilance and enforcement?
10. How does India ensure vigilance without hampering the smooth flow of legitimate exports?

10.FINANCE

1. How does the finance division support export-oriented businesses in India?
2. Can you provide information on export financing schemes and incentives?
3. What role do financial institutions play in facilitating export credit for businesses?
4. How is risk mitigation addressed in terms of export financing?
5. Can you provide insights into the impact of global financial conditions on export financing?
6. What initiatives are in place to enhance financial literacy among exporters?
7. How does India manage currency risk in international trade finance for exports?
8. What are the financial incentives available for exporters to explore new markets?
9. Can you provide data on the contribution of export financing to overall export growth?
10. How does the finance division support exporters during economic downturns or crises?

11.SUPPLY

1. What are India's major export products according to commerce.gov.in?
2. Can you provide a list of top export items from India in the current fiscal year?
3. Where can I find information on the export performance of specific products from India?
4. What are the growth trends in India's export of electronic goods?
5. Which sectors contribute the most to India's total export value?
6. Is there information available on the export destinations for Indian pharmaceutical products?
7. What steps has the government taken to boost exports of agricultural commodities?
8. Can you provide details on the export of engineering goods from India?
9. Where can I find statistics on India's export of textiles and apparel?
10. What initiatives are in place to promote the export of Indian handicrafts?
11. How has the export of automotive products from India evolved in recent years?
12. Are there any specific measures to encourage the export of renewable energy products from India?
13. Can you provide information on the export of chemical and petrochemical products from India?
14. Where can I find details on the export of information technology services from India?
15. What steps has the government taken to address challenges in the export of gem and jewelry products?
16. Is there information available on the export of leather and leather products from India?
17. Can you provide statistics on the export of iron and steel from India?
18. What are the key export products contributing to India's trade surplus?
19. Where can I find the latest information on India's export performance in the pharmaceutical sector?
20. What measures are in place to support the export of organic agricultural products from India?

FAQs(MOST COMMON):

1. When does ministry of commerce and Industry came into Force?
2. Who is covered?
3. What does Information mean?
4. What does right to information mean?
5. What are the obligations of public authority?
6. What is not open to disclosure?
7. Is partial disclosure allowed?
8. What does public authority mean?
9. Who is excluded?
10. Who are Third Parties?
11. Who are the public information officers?
12. What are the duties of public information officers?
13. What is the Application Procedure for requesting information?
14. What is the time limit to get the information?
15. What is the fee?
16. What could be the ground for rejection?
17. Who are the appellate authorities?
18. How is central information commission constituted?
19. What is the eligibility criteria and what is the process of appointment of CIC/IC?
20. What is the term of office and other service condition of CIC?
21. What is the term of office and other service condition of IC?
22. How is State information commission constituted?
23. What is the role of Central / state Governments?