

## NOTE ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

As per the directions of Government vide its letter dated 7.1.2014, Council amended certain provisions of the Articles of Association, which was approved by the General Body of the Council during Emergency Meeting held on 12.2.2014.

One of the Articles amended was “4.2 – Eligibility of Ordinary Members”. As per amended provision, any person standing for election as Chairman or Vice Chairman, he / she, or the entity represented him/her, must have, to his/her or its credit, during the last three financial years immediately preceding, an average export value of not less than Rs.100 crores (one hundred crores). This limit is subject to review by the Government from time to time.

Committee of Administration in its meeting held on 22.7.2016 at Mumbai discussed on this subject and decided to amend the above provision so as to reserve the Chairman / Vice Chairman post for Small & Medium Scale manufacture Exporters with Rs.20 crores export values, for alternate terms.

**Accordingly, following amendments are proposed:**

### **1. Eligibility of Ordinary Members**

Present Provision:

“4.2 (b) Where a person is standing for election as Chairman or Vice Chairman, he / she, or the entity represented him/her, must have, to his/her or its credit, during the last three financial years immediately preceding, an average export value of not less than Rs.100 crores (one hundred crores). This limit is subject to review by the Government from time to time.”

Proposed Amendment:

“4.2 (b) Where a person is standing for election as Chairman or Vice Chairman, he / she, or the entity represented him/her, must have, to his/her or its credit, during the last three financial years immediately preceding, an average export value of not less than Rs.100 crores (one hundred crores) / **Rs. 20 crores (Rupees twenty crores) in case he / she, or the entity represented by him / her is a Small & Medium Scale manufacture exporter. These limits are subject to review by the Government from time to time.**”

## 2. Vice Chairman of the Council:

### Present Provision:

#### Vice-Chairman of the Committee

- (a) There shall be one Vice-Chairman who shall be elected by the Committee for a term of two years
- (b) On completion of his term of two years, Vice-Chairman shall be endorsed by the Committee to succeed the Chairman unless:
  - (i) he is unwilling to accept Chairmanship or
  - (ii) he has incurred any of the disqualifications enumerated in Article 8.1, in regard to the membership of the Council or
  - (iii) he is not re-elected to Committee of Administration

### Proposed Amendment:

#### Vice-Chairman of the Committee

- (c) There shall be one Vice-Chairman, **who shall be from SME and Non-SME sectors for alternate terms,** and who shall be elected by the members of the Council for a term of two years
- (d) On completion of his term of two years, Vice-Chairman shall be endorsed by the Committee to succeed the Chairman unless:
  - (iv) he is unwilling to accept Chairmanship or
  - (v) he has incurred any of the disqualifications enumerated in Article 8.1, in regard to the membership of the Council or
  - (vi) he is not re-elected to Committee of Administration