



APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, GURGAON

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CIRCULAR

SUB: AEPC's participation in "SOURCING at MAGIC" Las Vegas, U.S.A. (12 – 15 August, 2018)

Dear Member,

AEPC is participating in Magic Fair, Las Vegas to be held from 12 – 15 August, 2018, which will take place in Las Vegas Convention Centre, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA.

1. About Magic

SOURCING at MAGIC is North America's largest, most comprehensive sourcing event, reflecting the fashion supply chain at its most complete. Offering unmatched access to over 40 countries representing the world's most important markets, SOURCING at MAGIC showcases more than 3500+ exhibitors including apparel, accessories and footwear resources and 35000+ attendees conveniently merchandised by country and category: contract and original design manufacturers; fabric, trim and component suppliers; and service and technology providers.

Exhibitors—from worldwide leaders to local U.S. suppliers—build business through exposure to thousands of sourcing executives, designers, merchandising managers and private label buyers.

MAGIC connects exhibitors to the global purchasing power of tens of thousands of men's, women's and children's apparel, accessories and footwear retailers.

The Sourcing Zone is a convenient space for retail buyers, global importers, licensees and brands to meet and conduct business with offshore manufacturers like India and contract suppliers from the international manufacturing countries.

→ *For More details about the Magic Show, members may please visit the website of the fair authority at www.magiconline.com*

2. Venue & Date:

The venue for Sourcing Zone at Magic shall be in Las Vegas Convention Centre, 3150 Paradise Road, 89109 Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, Tel: +1(212)951.6722.

- ❖ Set up day 11th August, 2018
- ❖ show dates 12 – 15 August, 2018

3. USA apparel industry

USA is the largest importer of garments with imports of over USD 83618.8 million, **India's garment export to USA is USD 3876 million during 2017**, which amounts to around 4.6% of USA's total garment imports from World.

US's RMG Import from World and India				
	2015	2016	2017	% Change 2017/2016
US's RMG imports from world, (USD Mn.)	89089.0	84011.4	83618.8	-0.5
US's RMG imports from India, (USD Mn.)	3869.1	3822.1	3876.0	1.4
India's Share in US's RMG imports from world, %	4.3	4.5	4.6	1.9
<i>Source: UN Comtrade, 2018</i>				

4. Avail benefit in participation fee on account of MAI grant from Ministry of Commerce:

On the basis of recommendations of the Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Commerce has approved funding under Market Access Initiative (MAI) for the "Sourcing at Magic" fair in Las Vegas, United States of America from 12 - 15 August, 2018. The cost of the stall together with entire promotional expenses for 10'X10 SQFT booth (Approx) is costing AEPC approx Rs. 4.50 Lacs, after taking in to consideration the MAI assistance and Council's contribution, we are pleased to offer a booth of 10'X10 at Rs. 2.50 Lacs.

Eligibility for financial assistance under Market Access Initiative (MAI) scheme:

As per Notification no. 11/197/2016-E&MDA dated 16.02.2018 of Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce (E&MDA) Division reg. eligibility for availing MAI grant with following conditions:

"a maximum of three participations in a particular trade fair/ exhibition would only be eligible for MAI assistance, i.e. members who have availed assistance three times (including past cases) for a particular fair / exhibition thereafter have to participate in that fair on their own. Further MAI funding support shall only be provided to a member for a maximum of two MAI events in a year."

Reimbursement of airfare:-

Further the Council has sent proposal to Dept. of Commerce for sanction of grant on account of reimbursement of airfare (economy class) if it is approved by Ministry of Commerce, accordingly, Partner/Director/Proprietor of participating firm/co. shall be eligible for reimbursement of airfare as per MAI guidelines under para 6.1 of the Market Access Initiative Scheme 2018 issued by the Ministry of Commerce from time to time.

MAI assistance shall be permissible to regular employee/director/partner/proprietor of the company. Assistance would not be available to exporter of foreign nationality or holding foreign passport.

5. Participation Charges : *The participation charges does not include air-fare, hotel expenditure or any other kind of personal expenses (logistics etc.) :*

Particulars	Participation charges (Rs.)
Cost per booth of (10' x 10' approx.)	Rs. 2,60,000/-
Early Bird Discount (If payment is made on or before 15 th June, 2018)	(-) Rs. 10,000/- Rs. 2,50,000/-
After Early Bird Discount (If payment received after 15 th June, 2018)	Rs. 2,60,000/-
Without MAI Grant	Rs. 3,50,000/-

- (i) **Allotment of booths size of 1.5 x 2 :** Wherein two exhibitors who wish to apply for 1.5 size booth, each exhibitor would pay AEPC an amount of Rs. 4,25,000/- for allotment of 1.5 booth (Rs. 2.50 lacs for one booth and Rs. 1.75 lacs for half booth) (on availing early bird discount). The two exhibitors will apply for 1.5 booth each collectively. **The allotment of this type of triple booth category will be done in draw of lots basis.**
- (ii) For applying double booth, the exhibitor would pay AEPC an amount of Rs. 6.00 lacs (on availing early bird discount) with MAI Grant.
- (iii) After expiry of the date of availing early bird discount, the charges of booth shall be applicable as per cost of Rs. 2.60 lac per booth.
(No part payment will be accepted)

Explanatory Note: Any request for allotment of booth adjacent to each other will not be accepted and booths will be allotted strictly as per allotment declared in the draw of lots for each company.

6. Payment Mode:

- (i) Demand Draft or Pay Order in the name of "Apparel Export Promotion Council" (payable at Gurgaon or New Delhi) may be sent to **Mr. K S Bisht, Jt. Director** (Fairs & Exhibition), Apparel Export Promotion Council Apparel House, Institutional Area, Sector-44, Gurgaon-122003, Haryana, (India)
Tel: +91 124 2708156 (D), 2708000-003, Mobile: +91 9810527747 Fax: +91 124 2708004

(ii) Payment can also be sent through NEFT/RTGS to the following account

BENEFICIARY: APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

SAVING A/C NO: 180401000031002

IFS CODE: IOBA0001804

BANK: INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

ADDRESS: BRANCH – APPAREL HOUSE, SECTOR 44, INSTITUTIONAL AREA, GURGAON – 122003

Please note that no cheque payment will be accepted.

7. Facilities provided in the fair:

In the above mentioned participation charges, the Council shall be providing facilities of overseas publicity, inland publicity, publicity through signage's, banners standees and space allocation in the priority area of "SOURCING at MAGIC" Fair.

• **Booth Package: (Standard Booth – approx 10'x10')**

- (a) Name Fascia
- (b) Carpet
- (c) Power point
- (d) 150 Hangers (Top/bottom)
- (e) 6 spot lights
- (f) 1 Table & 3 chairs
- (g) Hanger rails 18 mtrs or shelves
- (h) Waste Bin

8. Guidelines for allotment of the booths:

1. All participants who have paid the full participation fee in time would be considered for allotment of booths through draw of lot.
 2. No change in the booths, once allotted would be entertained under any circumstances.
 3. The decision of Chairman-EP (AEPC) would be final and binding in case of any dispute.
- The participation is on **FIRST-CUM-FIRST SERVED (FCFS)** till all booths are sold.

9. Waitlist:

In case, applications are over-subscribed, a waitlist will be maintained, which would be considered on FCFS basis. Applicants are advised to ensure that they possess necessary visa to enter USA. No request for refund will be entertained by AEPC if for any reason whatsoever visa is not granted.

10. Cancellation charges:

The exporter who has applied for participation in the Fair, the withdrawal will be subject to following:

- (i) 45% of the participation charges will be forfeited if the exporter withdraws after confirmation of participation by the Council (after receiving of the payment confirmation receipt) and other exporters on wait list confirm their participation. There will be forfeiture of 65% of participation fee if no other exporter is on the wait list.
- (ii) 100% forfeiture in case of no show of the fair.
- (iii) Non-grant of relevant visa shall not qualify for any relief.

11. Application form:

The blank application format (with Annexure I) is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The application may also be downloaded from our website www.aepcindia.com

For seeking more details, please contact:-

Mr. K S Bisht, Jt. Director (Fairs & Exhibition), Apparel Export Promotion Council, Apparel House, Institutional Area, Sector-44, Gurgaon-122003, Haryana, (India) Tel: +91 124 2708156(D), 2708000-003, Mobile: +91 9810527747 Fax: +91 124 2708004 E-mail: kbisht@aepcindia.com

12. STRATEGY FOR HS CODE WISE PROMOTION OF GARMENT

Garment export products under top 18 items where India can increase its share (Sl. No.1 to 6), top 18 HS lines where the India market share is low (Sl. No. 7 to 11) and HS lines where China has offloaded exports in the year 2015 over 2014 (Sl. No. 12 to 18). Sl. No. 1 to 6 are the products where China have already offloaded into 2015 over 2014.

To focus on world top 18 garment products and to improve export performance of following products:-

S. N.	HS Code	Description
1	620520	Men's/Boy's shirts, of cotton, not knitted
2	620443	Women's/Girl's dresses, of synthetic fibre, not knitted
3	620640	Women's/Girl's blouses and shirts, of manmade fibre, not knitted
4	610510	Men's/Boy's shirts, of cotton, knitted
5	611120	Babies garments, cotton, knitted
6	620630	Women's/Girl's blouses and shirts, of cotton, not knitted

Note: Above six products are already offloaded by China in 2015 over 2014.

To focus from top 18 garment products from India and to improve export performance.

S. N.	HS Code	Description
7	620442	Dresses of Cotton
8	610520*	Men's & Boy's shirts of MMF
9	610831	Night dress & Pyjama of Cotton
10	610711*	Underpants & briefs of Cotton
11	620920*	Babies garments of Cotton

Note: Products already offloaded by China in 2015 over 2014.

To focus on products which are offloaded by China in 2015

S. N.	HS Code	Description
12	610452	Womens/girls skirts, of cotton, knitted
13	610432	Womens/girls jackets, of cotton, knitted
14	610433	Womens/girls jackets, of synthetic fibres, knitted
15	621050	Womens/girls garments nes, of impregnated, ctd,cov,etc, textile woven fab
16	610333	Mens/boys jackets and blazers, of synthetic fibres, knitted
17	621040	Mens/boys garments nes,made up of impreg,ctd,cov,etc,textile woven fab
18	610462	Womens/girls trousers and shorts, of cotton, knitted

The application form may be downloaded from our website www.aepcindia.com

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Application Form

Disclaimer: AEPC will not be responsible for the turnout of buyers/buying agents for any BSM/fair/show, etc. The Council will have no liability whatsoever for any kind of refund or payment in this regard. The Council shall not be responsible for booking of hotels, clearance of samples at the customs, for getting VISA & on certain complementary services provided by AEPC and organizational inability of fair organizers & other service providers.

**APPLICATION FORM FOR PARTICIPATION IN "SOURCING at MAGIC"
Las Vegas, U.S.A. (12 – 15 August, 2018)**

(On the Company's letterhead)

Name of event for which participation is sought: **"SOURCING at MAGIC" Las Vegas, U.S.A., (12-15 August, 2018)**

1. Name & Address of the firm :
2. Name of the Contact Person with Mobile No. :
3. Proprietary/Partnership/ Pvt. Ltd. Co. :
4. GST No. of Company :
5. RCMC No. of the Company :
6. IEC No. of company :
7. CIN No. of Company :
8. DIN No. of Company Director :
9. HS Codes in respect of the products being promoted/marketed by exhibitor
(at least 6 HS Codes should be given)

S.N.	HS Code (6 digit level)	Product description

10. Year of establishment :
11. Telephone No (s) with area code :
12. E-Mail Nos. :
13. Manufacturers or Merchant Exporter :
14. Address of Manufacturing Unit :
15. Main items of production :
(Mentioned segment Knitted/Woven and specify product mix.)
16. Total value of export of readymade Garments/
Textiles in the previous year 2017-18 (FOB in US\$) : US\$ _____ Million
and major Countries of Exports
17. Present production capacity (pcs/month) : _____ pcs. /month
18. Major brands & labels :

19. Whether First Time to USA : YES / NO

20. Please fill up the details of the Representatives in the following format:

1	Name as appearing in Passport	
2	Passport Number	
3	Date of Issue	
4	Date of Expiry	
5	Date of Birth	
6	Place of Issue	
7	Whether has valid US visa	YES / NO

21. Have you earlier participated in this event with AEPC or any other Council / Organization ?
If Yes, Year (s) _____ No _____

22. Are you participating in any other event under MAI assistance in 2018 - 19 with other EPC's/Commodity Board/ Trade Bodies? YES / NO

If yes, please give details:

S.N.	Name of the Event/Country	Date of event	Name of the EPC's/Commodity Board/ Trade Bodies
1.			
2.			
3.			

Disclaimer: As Annexure – I (It's mandatory to fill up and be attach with the application form as its' a part of application form).

23 **Participants Charges:**
Pay order/ DD for Rs. _____ drawn on _____ payable at
Gurgaon/ New Delhi

This is to certify that all information provided by me is correct to the best my knowledge and agree to abide by the same.

Date: -

Signature of Authorized Signatory _____

Name & Designation: _____

Company Seal : _____

Note:

- 1) As per MAI guideline, an exhibiting company/member can avail MAI assistance up to a maximum of three times (including past cases) for a particular event. Thereafter they shall not be eligible for the subsidy.
- 2) MAI subsidy will henceforth be provided to a member/company for a maximum of two MAI events in a financial year.

Disclaimer

1. The participation is on FIRST-CUM-FIRST SERVED (FCFS) till all booths are sold.
2. All participants who have paid the full participation fee in time would be considered for allotment of booths through draw of lot.
3. No change in the booths, once allotted would be entertained under any circumstances.
4. The decision of Chairman-EP (AEPC) would be final and binding in case of any dispute.
5. The space allotted to the approved participants is to be exclusively used by them for display of their exhibits as approved by AEPC. Subletting of space is not permissible. Violation of this clause may lead to cancellation of space allotted, forfeiting of space rent, security, deposit and cancellation of grant etc., paid to AEPC and debarring the participation from the future participation in AEPC's events.
6. AEPC will not be responsible for the turnout of buyers/buying agents for any Exhibition/fair/show/BSM etc. AEPC will have no liability whatsoever for any kind of refund or payment in this regard.
7. MAI Assistance shall be permissible to regular employee/director/ partner/proprietor of the company. Assistance would not be available to exporter of foreign nationality or holding foreign passport.
8. The representative would come back to India after the Event/Fair is over and would submit the proof of his/her departure/arrival, wherever necessary.
9. The Council shall not be responsible for booking of hotels, clearance of samples at the customs, for getting VISA & on certain complementary services provided by AEPC and organizational inability of fair organizers & other service providers.
10. Participants will be required to furnish complete information on orders booked, enquiries generated etc., in the form of Feedback form after the fair which is required by the Ministry as you are entitled for the grant/subsidy.
11. In case of default of any payment due from the participants, AEPC reserves the right to debar them from participation in AEPC's International fairs and bring to the notice of appropriate authority.

As you are aware the event has been subsidized under MAI grant of the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India. You are requested to kindly fill up the details given in application form and send it to us as the information is desired by the Ministry of Commerce.

DECLARATION

We have studied the disclaimer for participation carefully and agree to abide by the same.

Date & Place :

Signature of Authorized Signatory_____

Name & Designation_____

Company Seal_____
