**AEPC/HO/New Registration/2026-27**
**Date 13.11.2026**

**Subject: Launch of Special Membership Scheme for New Apparel Exporters at a Concessional Fee of ₹6,000/- (Inclusive of GST and Entrance Charges) – Valid up to 31st December, 2026**

Dear Entrepreneurs,

The Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC), the apex body promoting Indian apparel exports under the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, is pleased to announce the **launch of a Special Membership Scheme for New Apparel Exporters.**

With a view to encouraging new exporters and emerging entrepreneurs to become part of the Indian apparel export ecosystem, AEPC is offering membership at a special concessional fee of **₹6,000/- only (inclusive of GST and One-time Entrance Charges)**, valid up to **31st December, 2026**.

Under the existing membership fee structure, the standard new membership charges are ₹15,340/- (inclusive of GST and one-time Entrance Charges), except for Women Entrepreneurs, Young Entrepreneurs and Start-up Entrepreneurs. The proposed special scheme offers a substantial concession to all eligible new applicants.

**Key Benefits of AEPC Membership**
By becoming a member of AEPC, exporters can avail a wide range of benefits and export facilitation services, including: -

- **Registration-cum-Membership Certificate (RCMC)**: Issuance and renewal of RCMC, which is required for availing applicable benefits under the Foreign Trade Policy.
- **Leveraging India's Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)**: AEPC members can avail guidance and facilitation to leverage preferential market access and reduced or zero customs duties under India's Free Trade Agreements (FTAs), including agreements with the UAE, Australia, UK, EFTA and other partner countries, subject to applicable provisions and Rules of Origin. These FTAs would significantly expand the country's global market access, covering markets representing nearly 70% of global GDP.
- **Export Promotion Schemes**: Guidance on various export promotion schemes and benefits available under the Foreign Trade Policy and Government policies.
- **International Market Access**: Opportunities to participate in international trade fairs, exhibitions and buyer-seller meets organised or supported by AEPC, subject to applicable terms.
- **Buyer-Seller Connect**: Facilitation of interaction with international buyers and business networking opportunities.
- **Export Guidance and Advisory**: Assistance on export-related documentation, procedures, policy matters and regulatory developments.
- **Market Intelligence:** Updates on international market trends, export opportunities and developments in the apparel sector.
- **Government Representation:** Representation of industry concerns and issues before the Government of India through AEPC.
- **Training and Outreach Programmes:** Participation in seminars, workshops, training programmes and exporter outreach initiatives.
- **Membership Support Services:** Assistance through AEPC's Head Office and Regional Offices on membership and export facilitation matters.

**Procedure for Registration**

1. Visit the DGFT website: https://www.dgft.gov.in
2. Refer to the step-by-step guidelines for registration: https://tinyurl.com/dgftrcmc
3. Login to the DGFT portal using your User ID and Password.
4. New applicants are required to register on the DGFT portal before applying for RCMC.

For any further information or assistance, exporters may kindly contact AEPC membership department at bhardwaj@aepcindia.com or at nearest regional offices.

We strongly encourage all Apparel manufacturers, merchant exporters and new entrepreneurs to come forward and avail the benefits of this exciting special membership scheme before it expires on **31st December, 2026**. Don't miss this opportunity to become a part of AEPC and unlock new avenues for growth, global market access and exciting Indian export story.

Yours Sincerely,

Mithileshwar Thakur
Secretary General