



AEPC Circular No:260

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Sub: Request for Pre-Budget Proposals for the year 2027–28

Dear Member Exporters,

The Union Government has started the exercise of formulating the proposals for the Union Budget of 2027-28. In this regard, AEPC has received a communication from the Department of Commerce asking for its suggestions for the Budget in prescribed Proforma (Enclosed).

To enable us to send considered suggestions to the DoC, you are requested to kindly send us your inputs in the prescribed Proforma on most urgent basis. The Department has requested that while sending budget proposals, following should be taken note of:

- The pre-budget proposals should be complete in all respects, properly categorized and HS Codes, wherever applicable, for each commodity must be provided.
- Justification given in favour of the proposal be restricted to 300 words and Annexures should be used, if necessary.
- Members may categorise proposals as 'Top Priority', 'Priority' and 'Common Proposals'.

In case of repeated proposals, the set of proposals forwarded during last three years may also be forwarded indicating priority, while on other hand, fresh proposals may be sent indicating priority viz. 'High Priority' or 'Priority' proposals.

Additional safeguards may be kept in mind while submitting the proposals:

- i. While suggesting any changes in duty rates in respect of Indirect Taxes for specific commodities, all relevant quantitative information such as classification of Custom Tariff, price trend, incidence of duties, domestic demands and supply

situation, details of import and exports, probable impact of proposed changes on industries.

ii. **GST related changes are not required to be sent.**

iii. While in respect of Direct Taxes, complete details and justification are forwarded while suggesting any change. It may also be indicated whether the suggestion relates to legislative changes in the Direct Tax law or not.

Your suggestions may please be e-mailed to us on sdudeja@aepecindia.com by 20th August 2026.

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This is for your information please.

With regards,

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