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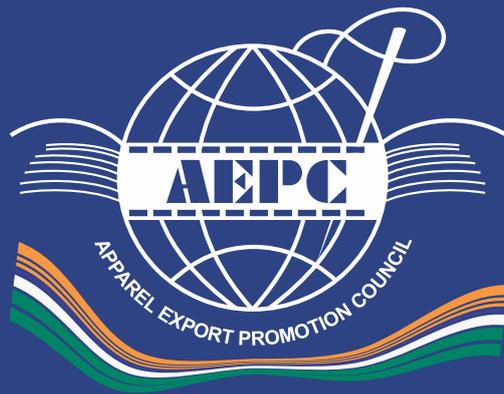


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NOTES:

1. Council members are requested to keep the soft copies of the Annual Report handy during the meeting, as the Annual Report 2024-25 will only be send through E-Mail to all Members.
2. Members having any queries on accounts are requested to send them in advance to the Council to enable to collect the relevant information.



NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the 46th Annual General Meeting of the Council will be held on 30th December 2025, Tuesday at 11:00 A.M, through Video Conferencing/Other Audio Video Means (“VC/OAVM”) Facility to transact the following business:-

1. To consider and adopt the Audited Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account of the Council for the year ended 31st March, 2025, along with the report of the Auditors and the Executive Committee of the Council.
2. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri Rakesh Vaid from Northern Region, who is retiring by rotation.
3. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri H. K. L. Magu from Northern Region, who is retiring by rotation.
4. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri Gautam Nair from Northern Region, who is retiring by rotation.
5. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri Vijay Kumar Agarwal from Western Region, who is retiring by rotation.
6. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri Premal H Udani from Western Region, who is retiring by rotation.
7. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri Samir Narayan Bhuta from Western Region, who is retiring by rotation and is eligible for re-election.
8. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri B Shanmugasundaram from Southern Region, who is retires by rotation.
9. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri K M Subramanian from Southern Region, who is retiring by rotation.
10. To elect & so appoint a Member to the Executive Committee, in place of Shri R Ramu from Southern Region, who is retiring by rotation.

By order of the Executive Committee

Sumit Gupta
(Company Secretary)

Place: Gurugram
Date: 01.12.2025

Registered Office:
A-223, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase-1
New Delhi-110020

INSPECTION

All material and documents of the above mentioned resolutions, except for resolution no 1, are available for inspection at the Registered Office of the Council between 11:00 a.m. to 01:00 p.m. on all working days and can also be inspected electronically by sending a request at sumit.gupta@aepecindia.com. All material and documents of the resolution no 1 is available for inspection at the Head Office of the Council between 11:00 a.m. to 01:00 p.m. on all working days and can also be inspected electronically by sending a request at sumit.gupta@aepecindia.com

NOTES:

[a] "A MEMBER ENTITLED TO VOTE IN THE GENERAL MEETING OF AEPC WOULD BE CASTING VOTE ELECTRONICALLY BY WAY OF REMOTE E-VOTING/ E-VOTING THROUGH AN ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM.

IN THE PROCESS OF E-VOTING/REMOTE-E VOTING A MEMBER IS NOT REQUIRED TO APPOINT ANY PROXY TO ATTEND THE MEETING AND VOTE BECAUSE PURSUANT TO THE CIRCULAR NO. 14/2020 DATED APRIL 08, 2020, ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS, THE FACILITY TO APPOINT PROXY TO ATTEND AND CAST VOTE FOR THE MEMBERS IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS AGM. HOWEVER, THE BODY CORPORATES ARE ENTITLED TO APPOINT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM AND PARTICIPATE THERE AND CAST THEIR VOTES THROUGH E-VOTING.

[b] The Department of Commerce, vide communication dated 25.07.2024, has instructed EPCs/FIEO to adopt the Model Articles of Association/Bye-laws. Article 24.6(d) of the Model Bye-laws provides for a mandatory cooling-off period of two years after two consecutive terms for elected members of the CoA, effective from 01.04.2025.

The Council has requested the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, to grant exemption to AEPC from this provision. The Ministry's response is awaited. Therefore, the election of the Executive Committee Members is currently being conducted as per the Model Bye-laws. Any positive response from the Ministry received before the date of the election will be duly incorporated in these elections.

[c] The Register of Members of the Council will be closed from **24.12.2025** to **30.12.2025** (both days inclusive)

By order of the Executive Committee
Sumit Gupta
(Company Secretary)

Place: Gurugram
Date: 01.12.2025

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IMPORTANT NOTES:-

1. General instructions for accessing and participating in the 46thAGM through VC/OAVM Facility and voting through electronic means for all resolutions including remote e-Voting:-

- a) In view of the massive outbreak of the pandemic i.e COVID-19, social distancing is a norm to be followed and pursuant to the Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, Circular No.17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020, Circular No. 02/2021 dated January 13, 2021, Circular No. 2/2022 dated May 5, 2022, Circular No. 9/2023 date September 25, 2023, Circular No. 09/2024 dated September 19, 2024 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs followed by Circular No. 3/2025 dated September 22, 2025 and other applicable circulars issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, physical attendance of the Members to the AGM venue is not required and annual general meeting (AGM) be held through video conferencing (VC) or other audio visual means (OAVM). Hence, Members can attend and participate in the ensuing AGM through VC/OAVM.
- b) Members may join the 46th AGM through VC/OAVM Facility by following the procedure as mentioned below which shall be kept open for the Members from 10:45 AM. IST i.e. 15 minutes before the time scheduled to start the 46th AGM and the Council will close the window for joining the VC/OAVM Facility 15 minutes after the scheduled time to start the 46th AGM i.e 11:15 AM.
- c) Members may note that the VC/OAVM Facility, provided by NSDL, allows participation of at least 1,000 Members on a first-come-first-served basis. The Executive Committee Members, Statutory Auditors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairpersons of the Sub-Committees can attend the 46th AGM without any restriction on account of first-come-first-served principle.
- d) The attendance of the Members attending the AGM through VC/OAVM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- e) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and the Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs dated April 08, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 05, 2020, January 13, 2021, May 05th, 2022, September 25th, 2023, September 19th, 2024 and September 22nd, 2025 and other applicable circulars issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, the Company is providing facility of remote e-voting/ e-voting to its Members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM. For this purpose, the Company has entered into an agreement with National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting system as well as venue voting on the date of the AGM i.e evoting will be provided by NSDL.

- f) In line with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, the notice calling the AGM along with Executive Committee Report 2024-25 and the Financial Statements for the year 2024-25 is being sent by electronic mode only to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Council and the same has been uploaded on the website of the Council at www.aepcindia.com and website of NSDL (agency for providing the Remote e-Voting/ e-Voting facility) i.e. www.evoting.nsd.com.
- g) If any member wants to register or update their E-mail ID with the Council, they can write an E-mail at aepc.agm.2025@aepcindia.com.
- h) AGM is being convened through VC/OAVM in compliance with applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with MCA Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, MCA Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, MCA Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020, MCA Circular No.02/2021 dated January 13, 2021, MCA Circular No. 2/2022 dated May 05, 2022, MCA Circular No. 09/2023 dated September 25, 2023, MCA Circular No. 09/2024 dated September 19, 2024, MCA Circular No. 03/2025 dated September 22, 2025 and other applicable circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA Circular/s").

2. THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING ARE AS UNDER:-

- a) The remote e-voting period begins on 27.12.2025 at 09:00 A.M and ends on 29.12.2025 at 05:00 P.M. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter.
- b) The details of the process and manner for remote e-Voting are explained herein below

Step 1: Log-in to NSDL e-Voting system at <https://www.evoting.nsd.com/>

Step 2: Cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system.

Details on Step 1 is mentioned below:-

How to Log-in to NSDL e-Voting website?

On receipt of an e-mail from NSDL (National Securities Depository Limited) an Agency appointed by Council, as per Rule 20 of the Companies (Management & Administration) Amendment Rules 2015) by member relating to e-voting on all resolution, please take the following action:-

- i. Open e-mail and also open PDF viz. "Apparel Export Promotion Council.pdf" with your Membership ID or Folio No. as password. The said PDF file contains your user ID and password for e-voting.
- ii. Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.

- iii. Open the internet browser by typing the following URL: <https://www.evoting.nsdcl.com>
- iv. Click on “Shareholder/Member – Login”.
- v. After you click on the “Login” button, Home page of e-Voting will open
- vi. Please enter the user ID and password provided in the PDF file attached with the e-mail.

Details on Step 2 is given below:-

- i. After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see the Home page of e-Voting. Click on e-Voting. Then, click on Active Voting Cycles.
- ii. After click on Active Voting Cycles, you will be able to see “EVEN” (E-Voting Event Number) of Apparel Export Promotion Council.
- iii. Select “EVEN” (E-Voting Event Number) of Apparel Export Promotion Council. Now you are ready for remote e-voting as Cast Vote page opens.
- iv. Cast your vote by selecting appropriate option and click on “Submit” and also “Confirm” when prompted. Upon confirmation, the message “Vote cast successfully” will be displayed.
- v. You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- vi. Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

3. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR MEMBERS

- i. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the “[Forgot User Details/Password?](#)” or “[Physical User Reset Password?](#)” option available on www.evoting.nsdcl.com to reset the password.
- ii. The voting rights of members shall be one person one vote as on cut-off date i.e **23.12.2025**, (Tuesday). A person, whose name is recorded in the register of members on the cut-off date, and registered exporters who fulfill the criteria provided in the model Bye Laws issued by the Department of Commerce on 25.07.2024, only shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting/ e-voting or any other means.
- iii. Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India has been requested to appoint Scrutinizer to scrutinize the E-voting and remote e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- iv. Any person, who becomes member of the Council after dispatch of the Notice as on the cut-off date, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in

However, if you are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting then you can use your existing user ID and password for casting your vote. If you forget your password, you can reset your password by using “Forgot User Details / Password” option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.

- v. The Scrutinizer shall, immediately after the conclusion of E-voting at the general meeting, count the votes cast at the meeting, thereafter unblock the votes cast through remote e-voting in the presence of at least two witnesses not in the employment of the Council and shall make, not later than three days of conclusion of the meeting, a consolidated Scrutinizer's report of the total votes cast in favour or against, if any, to the Chairman or a person authorized by him in writing, who shall countersign the same.
- vi. The results declared along with the Scrutinizer's Report shall be placed on the Council's website www.aepcindia.com and on the website of NSDL after the declaration of result by the chairman or person authorized by him in writing.
- vii. In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders/Members and e-Voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or contact Mr. Amit Vishal, Deputy Vice President or Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Assistant Vice President, National Securities Depository Ltd., Trade World, “A” Wing, 4th Floor, Kamala Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai-400013, at the designated email IDs: evoting@nsdl.co.in or AmitV@nsdl.co.in or pallavid@nsdl.co.in or at telephone nos. : +91-22-2499 4360 or +91 22 2499 4545, who will also address the grievances connected with the voting by electronic means.

4. THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR E-VOTING ON THE DAY OF THE AGM ARE AS UNDER:-

- i. The procedure for e-Voting on the day of the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-voting.
- ii. Only those Members, who will be present in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not casted their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-Voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-Voting system in the AGM.
- iii. Members who have voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
- iv. The details of the person who may be contacted for any grievances connected with the facility for e-Voting on the day of the AGM shall be the same person mentioned for Remote e-voting.

5. INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM ARE AS UNDER:-

- i. Member will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may access the same at <https://www.evoting.nsdl.com> under shareholders/members login by using the remote e-voting credentials. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in shareholder/members login where the EVEN of Company will be displayed. Please note that the members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-Voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in the notice to avoid last minute rush. Further members can also use the OTP based login for logging into the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- ii. Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops for better experience.
- iii. Further Members will be required to allow Camera and use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.
- iv. Please note that Participants Connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to Fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use Stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- v. Member who would like to express their views/ask questions during the meeting may register themselves as a speaker and may send their request mentioning their name, membership No, email id, mobile number at sumit.gupta@aepcindia.com at least 48 hours in advance before the start of the 46th AGM i.e. by **28.12.2025** by 11:00 A.M.
- vi. Members who would like to express their views/have questions relating to proposed resolutions, may send their questions in advance mentioning their name Company Name, membership Number, email id, mobile number at sumit.gupta@aepcindia.com. The same will be replied by the Council suitably.
- vii. Those Members who have registered themselves as a speaker will only be allowed to express their views/ask questions during the meeting.

By order of the Executive Committee

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-25

The Executive Committee of the Council has great pleasure in presenting the 46th Annual report along with the Income & Expenditure Account, Balance Sheet and the Auditor's Report for the Year ended 31st March, 2025.

2024-25 were to the tune of USD 16007 Million. It has increased by 10.1 %, as compared to the same period of previous financial year in 2023-24. During 2023-24, India's RMG exports were to the tune of USD 14545 mn.

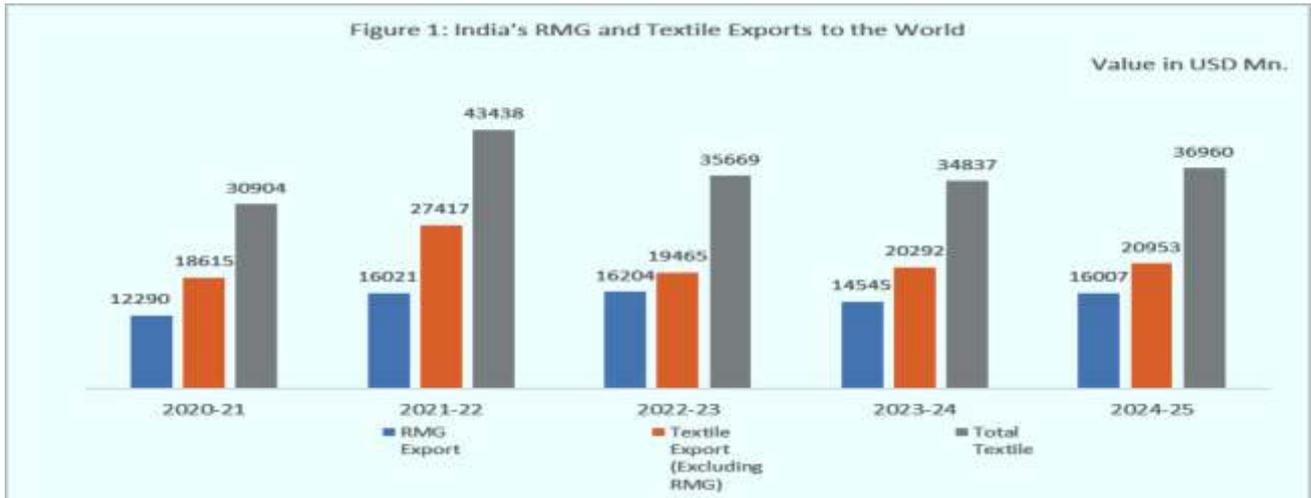
REVIEW OF EXPORTS – PERFORMANCE IN 2024-25

India's Readymade Garment (RMG) export to World for the financial year

The Table 1 below depicts India's RMG & Textile Exports to the World:-

Table 1: India's Textile & RMG Exports to World (Growth and Share in %)								
FY	Value in USD Mn.			RMG Share in India's Total Textile & RMG Export to World in %	Share in % In India's All Commodity Export		Y-O-Y Growth in %	
	RMG Export	Textile Export (Excluding RMG)	Total Textile		RMG Export	Textile & RMG Export	RMG Export	Textile & RMG Exports
2020-21	12290	18615	30904	40	4.2	10.6	-20.8	-0.5
2021-22	16021	27417	43438	37	3.8	10.3	30.4	47.3
2022-23	16204	19465	35669	45	3.6	7.9	1.1	-29.0
2023-24	14545	20292	34837	42	3.3	8.0	-10.2	4.2
2024-25	16007	20953	36960	43	3.7	8.4	10.1	3.3

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata 2025

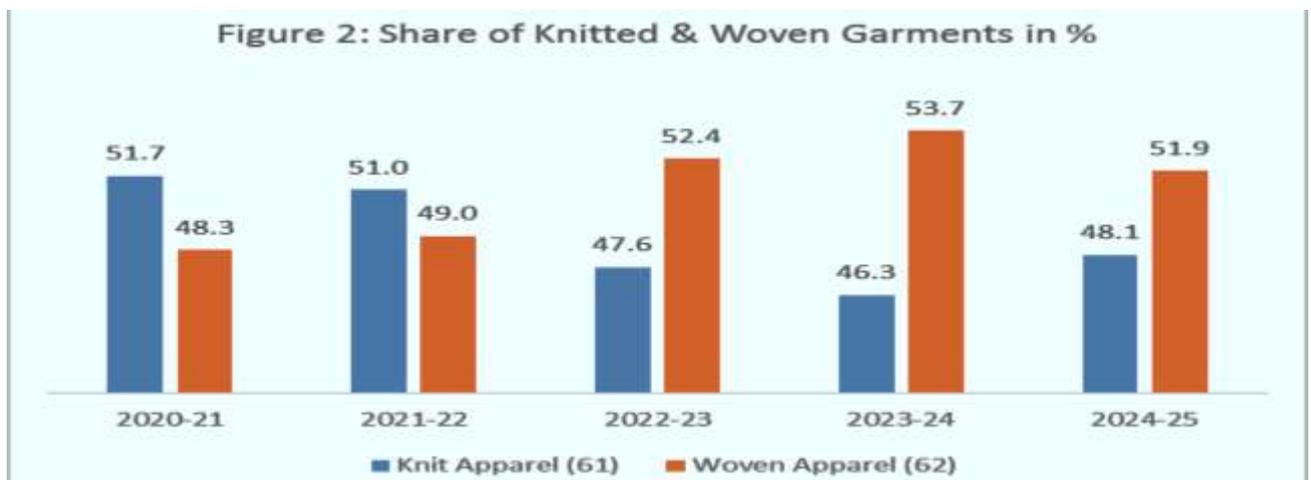


Share of Knitted & Woven Garments

◆ Export of Knitted Garment from India were USD 7,703.7 mn. in 2024-25 in comparison to USD 6,740.6 in 2023-24. It registered an increase of 14.3 % in comparison to same period of previous financial year. Knitted garments share was 48.1% in India's total RMG exports.

◆ Export of Woven Garment from India were USD 8,303.3 mn. in 2024-25 in comparison to USD 7,804.4 in 2023-24. It registered an increase of 6.4 % in comparison to same period of previous financial year. Woven garments share was 51.9 % in India's total RMG exports.

Table 2: Value of Knitted & Woven Garments in USD Mn.					
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Knit Apparel (61)	6,348.0	8,175.1	7,710.2	6,740.6	7,703.7
Woven Apparel (62)	5,941.8	7,845.6	8,494.0	7,804.4	8,303.3
Total RMG	12,289.9	16,020.7	16,204.1	14,545.0	16,007.0
Share in %					
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Knit Apparel (61)	51.7	51.0	47.6	46.3	48.1
Woven Apparel (62)	48.3	49.0	52.4	53.7	51.9



World RMG Trade

Global RMG trade was USD 500.3 bn. in 2024-25, out of which India's exports were only USD 16.0 bn., while China's exports were USD 152.5 bn., Bangladesh's exports were USD 48.7

bn., Vietnam exports were USD 38.5 bn.

India is the 8th largest RMG exporter in the world with 3.2 % share during FY 2024-25. The top three suppliers are China (30.5%), Bangladesh (9.7%) and Vietnam (7.7%).

The position of India vis-à-vis major competing countries in the global RMG exports is given in the Table-3

S. No.	Country	Export in USD Bn.					2024-25 over 2023-24 Change in %	Share %				
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
	World	412.7	500.3	525.8	490.4	500.3	2.0	100	100	100	100	100
1	China	131.8	161.9	165.9	152.8	152.5	-0.2	31.9	32.4	31.5	31.2	30.5
2	Bangladesh*	32.3	44.8	53.0	42.8	48.7	13.8	7.8	9.0	10.1	8.7	9.7
3	Vietnam*	30.2	34.5	39.6	35.2	38.5	9.3	7.3	6.9	7.5	7.2	7.7
4	Germany	23.1	26.1	26.9	27.5	27.5	0.0	5.6	5.2	5.1	5.6	5.5
5	Italy	21.1	25.5	26.8	28.2	27.3	-3.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.7	5.5
6	Netherlands	12.9	15.0	16.5	16.5	18.2	10.4	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.4	3.6
7	Turkey	15.3	19.0	19.5	17.8	17.1	-3.9	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.4
8	India	12.3	16.0	16.2	14.5	16.0	10.0	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.0	3.2
9	Spain	12.5	16.6	16.2	14.8	15.6	5.4	3.0	3.3	3.1	3.0	3.1
10	France	10.7	13.0	14.2	15.3	15.0	-2.3	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.1	3.0

Source: UN Comtrade, 2025
*Bangladesh & Vietnam data is Mirror data

India's Top 10 RMG Export Destinations in 2024-25

In 2024-25, USA has maintained top position in India's RMG exports destination with USD 5,333.4 mn. exports (with a share of 33.4 % in India's total RMG exports); registering a growth

of 13.0 % as compared to the year 2023-24.

India's RMG exports to UK (2nd largest export destination) amounted to USD 1,432.6 mn. in 2024-25 as compared to USD 1,328.9 mn in 2023-24 (with a share of 9.0% in India's total RMG exports) showing a growth of 7.8 %.

Table 4: India's Top 10 RMG Export Destinations

S. No.	Countries	Export in USD mn.			%Change (2024-25 over 2023-24)	% Share		
		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
	Total RMG Export	16176.3	14517.9	16007.0	10.3	100	100	100
Sum of Top 10	12,144.4	10,878.0	11,991.0	10.2	75.1	74.9	75.1	
1	USA	5,409.2	4,719.0	5,333.4	13.0	33.4	32.5	33.4
2	UK	1,470.2	1,328.9	1,432.6	7.8	9.1	9.2	9.0
3	United Arab Emirates	1,217.9	1,137.9	1,208.2	6.2	7.5	7.8	7.6
4	Germany	988.6	784.5	853.0	8.7	6.1	5.4	5.3
5	Netherlands	627.7	632.1	804.3	27.2	3.9	4.4	5.0
6	Spain	643.9	599.3	687.2	14.7	4.0	4.1	4.3
7	France	694.7	643.6	604.8	-6.0	4.3	4.4	3.8
8	Saudi Arabia	412.1	380.2	360.1	-5.3	2.5	2.6	2.3
9	Italy	377.4	331.4	357.3	7.8	2.3	2.3	2.2
10	Australia	302.7	321.1	350.0	9.0	1.9	2.2	2.2
	<i>Others</i>	<i>4,031.9</i>	<i>3,639.9</i>	<i>3,983.6</i>	<i>9.4</i>	<i>24.9</i>	<i>25.1</i>	<i>24.9</i>

Source: DGCI&S, 2025

India's Region wise Export destination in 2024-25

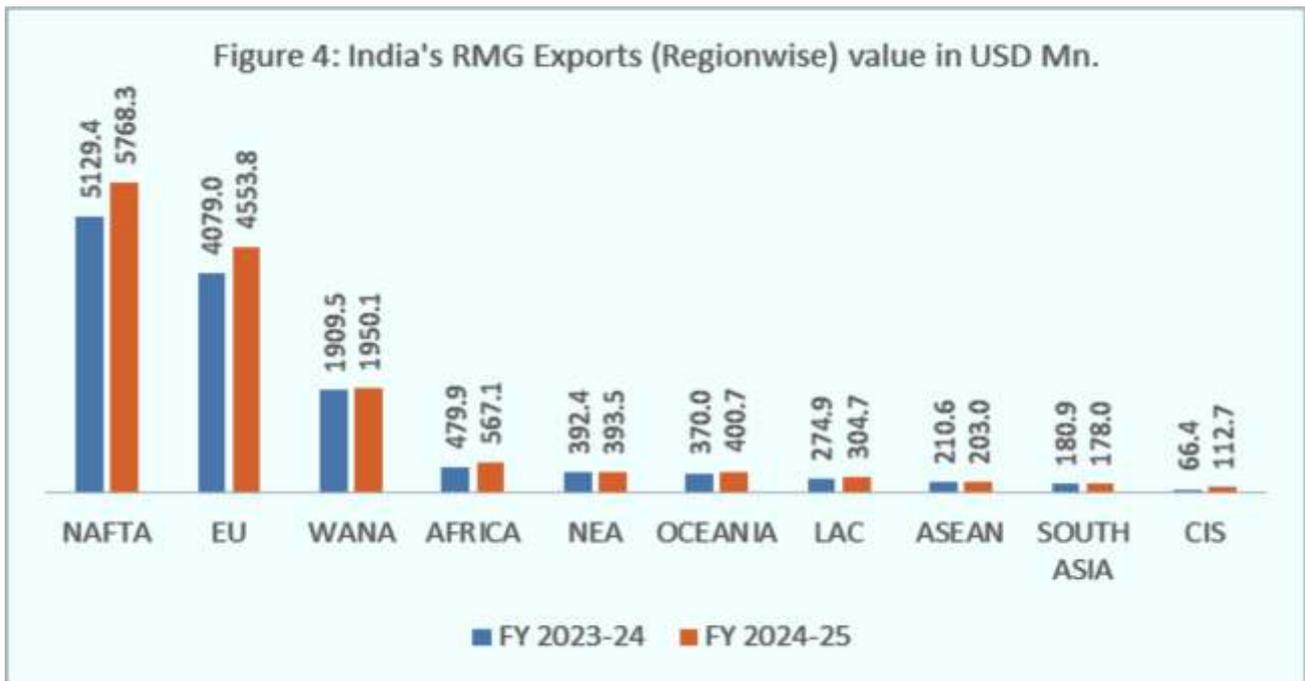
NAFTA emerged as top region for India's RMG exports with 36.1% share with a value of USD 5768.3 Mn. which has increased by 12.5% as compare to FY 2023-24. European Union (EU) became

India's 2nd largest region with a share of 28.5% and value of USD 4553.8 Mn. which also increased by 11.6% compared to FY 2023-24. West Asia – GCC (WANA) remain the 3rd largest export region for India which has a share of 12.2% of India's total RMG exports.

Table 6 - India's RMG Exports: Region Wise (Value in USD Mn.)

S. No.	Countries	FY		% Change	% Share	
		2023-24	2024-25		2023-24	2024-25
	World	14517.9	16007.0	10.3	100	100
1	NAFTA	5129.4	5768.3	12.5	35.3	36.1
2	EU	4079.0	4553.8	11.6	28.1	28.5
3	WANA	1909.5	1950.1	2.1	13.2	12.2
4	AFRICA	479.9	567.1	18.2	3.3	3.6
5	NEA	392.4	393.5	0.3	2.7	2.5
6	OCEANIA	370.0	400.7	8.3	2.5	2.5
7	LAC	274.9	304.7	10.8	1.9	1.9
8	ASEAN	210.6	203.0	-3.6	1.5	1.3
9	SOUTH ASIA	180.9	178.0	-1.6	1.2	1.1
10	CIS	66.4	112.7	69.9	0.5	0.7

Source: DGCI&S, 2025



Note:

- European Union – Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherland, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Rep, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden
- North America – Canada, Mexico, USA
- North East Asia – China, Japan, North Korea & South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macao, Mongolia
- East Asia – Australia, Fiji Island, Kiribati Rep, Nauru Rep, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Timor Leste, Solomon Island, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu Rep, Samoa
- Latin America – 43 Countries
- West Asia GCC – Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia & United Arab Emirates
- ASEAN – Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDRP, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam
- South Asia – Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka
- West Africa – 22 Countries
- North Africa – Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia
- RoW – Rest of the World.

India's RMG Exports with FTA Countries in 2024-25

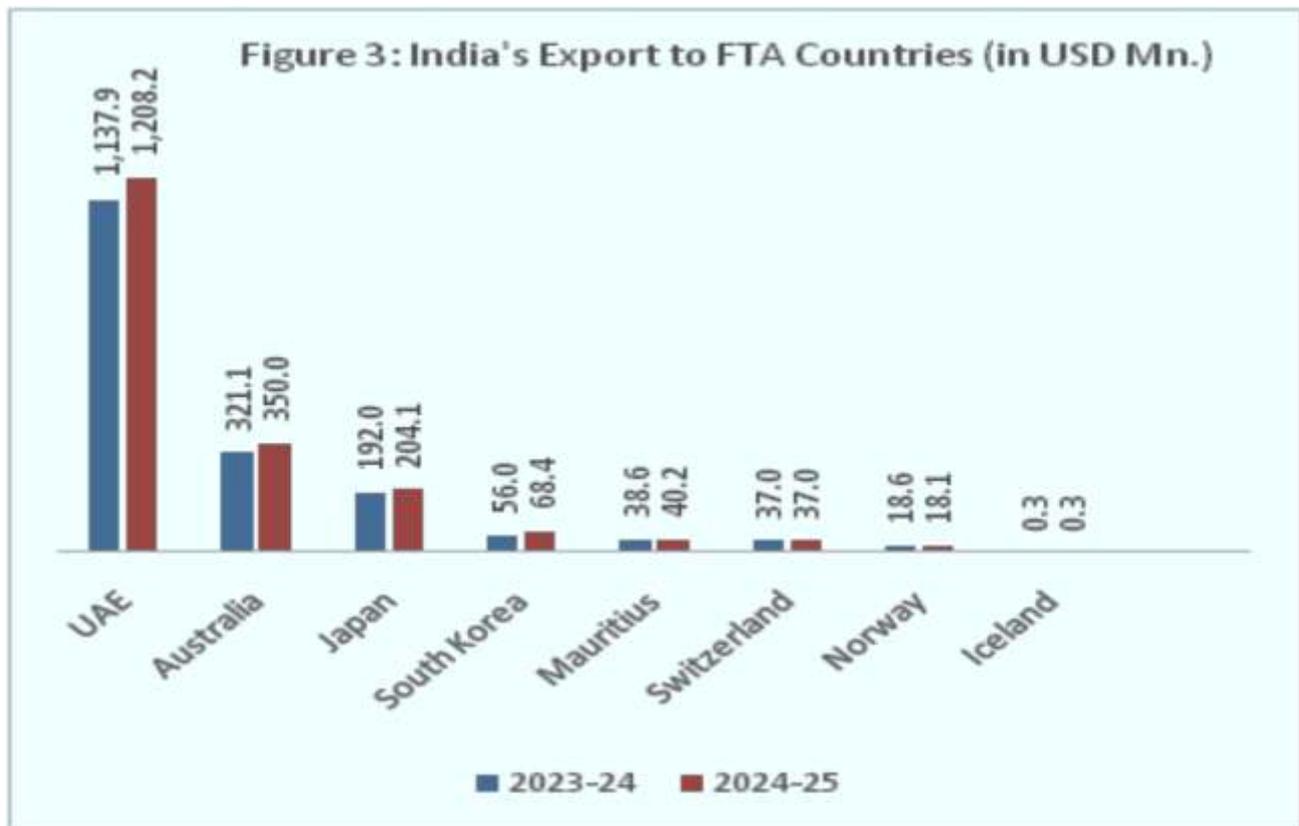
UAE emerged as top FTA partner country for India's RMG exports with a value of USD 1208.2 Mn., India's export to UAE has increased by 6.2% in 2024-25, as compare to FY 2023-24 which was

USD 1137.9 Mn. FTA with Australia and Japan helped India to grow its export by 9.0% to USD 350.0 Mn. and by 6.3 % to USD 204.1 Mn. respectively, followed by South Korea as 4th largest export destinations amongst India's FTA partner countries.

Table 5: India's Export to FTA Countries

S. No.	Value in USD mn.			
	Countries	2023-24	2024-25	% Change
	Total RMG Export	14545.0	16007.0	10.1
1	UAE	1,137.9	1,208.2	6.2
2	Australia	321.1	350.0	9.0
3	Japan	192.0	204.1	6.3
4	South Korea	56.0	68.4	22.2
5	Mauritius	38.6	40.2	4.0
6	Switzerland	37.0	37.0	0.1
7	Norway	18.6	18.1	-3.1
8	Iceland	0.3	0.3	0.0

Source: DGCI&S, 2025



Initiatives and activities undertaken by AEPC along with important issues/request addressed to Govt. of India, during the year.

1. USITC examined the export competitiveness of the Apparel Industries.



As part of its comprehensive study on the export competitiveness of apparel industries across key supplying countries, the United States International Trade Commission (USITC), an independent, non-partisan federal agency, examined the apparel industries in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia and Pakistan and prepared a public report.

In this context, prior to the release of the report, a delegation from the USITC and the US Embassy visited AEPC, Gurugram on 1st April 2024. During the visit, AEPC Chairman, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, and Secretary General, AEPC, Shri Mithileshwar Thakur highlighted India's strengths in the textile value chain, supportive policies, and its evolving role as a preferred sourcing hub.

The report, in its findings, appreciated India for its quality and highly vertically integrated apparel industry. It also observed that India and Vietnam have outpaced Bangladesh in high-value apparel exports to the USA. This is a significant achievement, as the apparel industry was represented by AEPC on behalf of the country. AEPC convincingly and objectively made fact-based submissions before the Commission, most of which were accepted.

2. Japanese Retail Brand DAISO to Source from India

A team from DAISO Japan visited AEPC on 1st April 2024 and met Chairman, AEPC, Shri Sudhir Sekhri and other senior officers of the Council. The DAISO team was in India to explore possibilities of sourcing its requirements from India.

DAISO is a Japanese retail giant with over 6,000 stores selling more than 76,000 products across 26 countries and is looking to expand its retail footprint in India. Currently, DAISO Japan sells products that are 90% produced in-house at its own facilities in various countries. AEPC was the first Council the DAISO team in India chose to interact with on a one-to-one basis. The AEPC Chairman assured full support to the team.

3. Meeting with Trade Advisor, Ministry of Textiles

To explore avenues for the enhancement of exports with an aim to achieve an export target of US\$ 100 billion from the textile and apparel sector by 2030, a

meeting was held on 29th April 2024 under the Chairpersonship of the Trade Advisor with AEPC, SRTEPC and TEXPROCIL. AEPC made a series of suggestions to boost India's apparel exports.

4. AEPC Participation in Apparel Connect 2024

Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General, AEPC, spoke at the Apparel Connect 2024 conference on 9th May 2024 in New Delhi. He addressed supply chain disruptions caused by geopolitical issues like the Russia–Ukraine conflict, Israel– Hamas war and the Red Sea crisis, and discussed their implications, reshoring trends, challenges and opportunities.

He emphasized building resilient supply chains through balanced access to raw materials, labour and production factors. He also highlighted the evolving role of e-commerce in logistics for the apparel sector and the need for regulatory adjustments. The conference covered topics such as logistics complexities, tech-driven efficiency, unified commerce, conscious logistics and sustainable supply chains.

5. Appeal for Exclusion from Section 43B(h) of the Income Tax Act

The Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC), vide its letter dated 24th May 2024, requested the Ministry of MSME to exclude exporters from the provisions of Section 43B(h), introduced in the Finance Bill 2023. This amendment imposes a 45-day limit for claiming deductions related

to payments made to micro and small enterprises.

Exporters are significantly impacted due to extended credit terms demanded by international buyers, which typically range from 90 to 180 days. Additionally, the Reserve Bank of India allows realization of export proceeds within nine months of the export date. AEPC argued that excluding exporters from this requirement is essential to ease their financial strain and maintain stability in their operations.

6. Stakeholders' Meeting with the Minister of Textiles

On 20th June 2024, AEPC attended a stakeholders' meeting chaired by Shri Giriraj Singh, Union Minister of Textiles. The discussions focused on attracting investments, modernizing infrastructure and enhancing job creation in the textile sector. Shri Pabitra Margherita, Union Minister of State for Textiles, Smt. Rachna Shah, Secretary (Textiles), and senior officials from the Ministry were present. AEPC Chairman, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, proposed strategies to boost readymade garment (RMG) exports.

7. Participation in India International Garment Fair (IIGF)



The Union Textiles Minister, Shri Giriraj Singh, inaugurated the 71st India International Garment Fair (IIGF) in New Delhi on 25th June 2024. Shri Ramesh Bidhuri, Member of Parliament, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC, several prominent members of trade, international buyers and exhibitors were present at the inauguration.

The fair showcased India's apparel sector and highlighted the collaborative efforts of various industry associations. It provided a platform for interaction with international buyers and further promotion of Indian garment exports.

8. Issue with MSME Portal Classification

AEPC, vide its letter dated 2nd July 2024, escalated an issue with the MSME portal's classification system, which inaccurately categorizes investments in excluded areas such as pollution control and R&D. The Council requested a review and resolution to ensure proper classification and eligibility for MSME benefits.

9. Container Shortages Affecting Apparel Exporters

AEPC, vide its letter dated 11th July 2024 to the Secretary, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, reported severe container shortages and delays impacting apparel exporters. Issues included extended booking processes, congested ports and increased transit times, resulting in a 200–300% rise in sea freight costs. Air freight costs also rose by 150–300%. AEPC urged the Ministry to

address these challenges to reduce costs and delays.

10. Bihar Business Connect 2024: Textile Investors' Meet



Bihar hosted the Textile Investors' Meet from 18th to 19th July 2024 to promote itself as a textile hub. The event highlighted the state's potential for job creation and industrial development. Key dignitaries, including Union Textiles Minister, Shri Giriraj Singh, and Bihar Deputy Chief Minister, Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha, emphasized Bihar's opportunities and support for investors.

11. Chairman AEPC requested Secretary Commerce for allowing MMF Fabric Imports

AEPC Chairman, vide his letter dated 29th July 2024 to Secretary (Commerce), requested that MMF garment exporters be allowed to import MMF fabric duty-free if certain value addition requirements are met, without strict adherence to input–output norms. He emphasized that the imported material would be used solely in export products, preventing any misuse of the imported fabric.

The Chairman urged Secretary (Commerce) to implement these changes to create a more export-friendly

environment, which is crucial for boosting employment in the Indian economy through increased apparel exports.

12. Curtain Raiser of Bharat Tex 2025

On 4th September 2024, AEPC participated in the curtain raiser event for Bharat Tex 2025 at Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi, with Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, Shri Giriraj Singh, as the Chief Guest. The event saw participation from key dignitaries and industry leaders, including MoS Textiles, Shri Pabitra Margherita, Secretary (Textiles), Smt. Rachna Shah, and AEPC Chairman, Shri Sudhir Sekhri. The event highlighted strong industry–government collaboration in promoting India's textile sector on the global stage.

13. Meeting of Chairman AEPC with Shri Piyush Goyal on export performance - September 11, 2024

On 11th September 2024, AEPC participated in a high-level meeting chaired by Hon'ble Commerce & Industry Minister, Shri Piyush Goyal, at Vanijya Bhawan to review export performance. The meeting, attended by key government officials, focused on export trends from April to July 2024, during which apparel exports recorded 6% growth, driven by the USA and UK markets.

AEPC Chairman, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, attributed this growth to improved quality and fresh orders, while noting temporary challenges in markets such as UAE and France. He proposed a “4-Wheel” strategy—Import Liberalization, Capacity Augmentation, Labour & Skilling and

Capital Availability—to further boost apparel exports.

14. AEPC requested urgent resolution for IGST refund issues affecting apparel exporters

On 24th September 2024, AEPC raised concerns with Shri Surjit Bhujabal, Member (Customs), regarding delays in IGST refunds faced by apparel exporters after the rollout of ICEGATE 2.0. Issues such as validation errors, scroll generation failures and missing transmission details have disrupted the refund process. AEPC emphasized the urgent need for resolution, as pending refunds are adversely impacting exporters' working capital and overall financial stability.

15. AEPC participation in MAI sub-committee meeting

On 26th September 2024, the Secretary General, AEPC, participated in the Sub-Committee meeting for the Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme at Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi. The meeting, chaired by Ms. Renu Lata, Economic Advisor, focused on reviewing and discussing proposals for financial assistance to support export promotion activities planned for 2024–25, in accordance with directives from the Empowered Committee meeting held on 21st August

16. Request for Extension of Interest Equalization Scheme

The Chairman, AEPC, emphasized the need for a more stable and long-term policy framework, ideally for at least five years, for the Interest Equalization

Scheme to aid long-term business planning. He urged the Government to extend the scheme to all exporters and to increase the interest equalization rate to a minimum of 5% to better support the industry amid high capital costs and global competition.

The scheme, initially valid until 31st March 2020, has been extended multiple times, most recently vide Trade Notice No. 18/2024-25 dated 30th September 2024, until 31st December 2024. However, the cap for financial year 2024-25 has been drastically reduced from 10 crore to Rs 50 lakh. MSME manufacturer-exporters who have already utilized Rs 50 lakh or more by 30th September 2024 are not eligible for further benefits.

Chairman, AEPC, in a letter dated 3rd October 2024 to the Hon'ble Minister of Commerce & Industry, expressed concern over the high cost of capital in India and other cost disabilities affecting competitiveness and urged removal of the Rs 50 lakh cap on interest equalization benefits and an increase in the rate to 5%, to provide relief, especially to the labour-intensive sector.

17. Meeting under the chairpersonship Secretary (Textiles) with various textiles EPCs

The Chairman, AEPC, and the Secretary General, AEPC, attended a meeting under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (Textiles) on 3rd October 2024 with various textiles EPCs regarding export promotion and achievement of export targets.

18. Announcement of Bharat Tex 2025

The Chairman, AEPC, vide his letter dated 4th October 2024, informed members of trade and industry about the second edition of Bharat Tex 2025, to be held from 14th to 17th February 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, following the success of its inaugural edition. Organized by the Consortium of Textile Councils with support from the Ministry of Textiles, the event will also feature the 72nd India International Garment Fair (IIGF).

19. 'Bihar Business Connect 2024- Investors' Meet New Delhi'

On 4th October 2024, the Secretary General, AEPC, participated in the Investors' Meet in New Delhi as part of the 'Bihar Business Connect 2024 – A Global Investors' Summit' scheduled for December in Patna. The event, graced by Hon'ble Textile Minister, Shri Giriraj Singh, and led by Bihar's Industries Minister, Shri Nitish Mishra, showcased Bihar's industrial outlook, policy reforms and investment opportunities, fostering business networking and strategic industry–government dialogue.

20. SUTRA 2024, Sustainable Trade Summit - Accelerating Responsible Sourcing in Indian Markets

AEPC's Secretary General participated in SUTRA 2024 on 17th October 2024, a summit hosted by IDH to promote responsible sourcing in Indian markets. The event focused on leveraging thought leadership to embed safety and sustainability across supply chains and provided a platform for stakeholders to

explore strategic, ethical and systemic solutions for sustainable procurement practices.

21. AEPC and TEA Hold Interaction with Chief Commissioner of Trichy Customs Preventive Zone.



AEPC, in collaboration with the Tirupur Exporters' Association (TEA), organized an interaction meeting on 19th October 2024 with Shri S.K. Vimalanathan, IRS, Chief Commissioner of Trichy Customs Preventive Zone. The meeting was presided over by Dr. A. Sakthivel, Vice Chairman, AEPC.

The meeting focused on enhancing communication between customs authorities and the textile industry, addressing critical topics such as customs procedures, compliance requirements, trade facilitation and issues related to the ICEGATE system. Participants voiced their challenges and sought collaborative solutions to improve operational efficiency.

22. AEPC shared Strategic Inputs with DGFT

AEPC participated in a virtual meeting with Textile EPCs on 3rd December 2024, chaired by the Commerce Secretary, and

subsequently submitted key inputs to DGFT on 5th December 2024. These included:

- ◆ a list of apparel exporters leveraging e-commerce platforms or courier modes;
- ◆ a list of prominent Indian apparel brands with the potential to become global players, along with a proposal for collaboration with IBEF; and
- ◆ recommendations for strategic locations to establish Bharat Mart/India Mart, with justifications to enhance global market access.

23. Strategic Plan to Capitalize on Bangladesh Crisis

In a meeting with Hon'ble Textile Minister, Shri Giriraj Singh, on 27th December 2024, Chairman, AEPC, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, presented a "4-Wheel Approach" to capitalize on opportunities arising from the Bangladesh crisis. The strategy includes capacity expansion via PLI 2.0, raw material import liberalization, revamped skilling programmes, and policy support through Interest Equalization and RoSCTL. The plan aims to boost exports, employment and global competitiveness.

24. Breakout Session on Textile Sector

On 6th January 2025, the Secretary General, AEPC, attended a breakout session at Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi, focused on "Discussion and Strategic Recommendations on Textile Sector." AEPC presented key suggestions aimed at enhancing apparel exports and

strengthening the sector's global positioning.

25. Meeting between AEPC and NIFT for exploring collaboration opportunities in textile and fashion industry

On 7th January 2025, Chairman, AEPC, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, and Secretary General, AEPC, Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, held discussions with Director General, National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), India, Ms. Tanu Kashyap, IAS, and her team, to explore possibilities of collaboration and partnership between NIFT and AEPC, given the shared objective of promoting the textile and fashion industry of India.

26. Meeting under the chairpersonship of Secretary (Textiles) with all EPCs

On 9th January 2025, AEPC's Chairman and Secretary General attended a meeting chaired by the Secretary (Textiles) at Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi, to discuss export targets. AEPC presented the Apparel Export Performance and Strategy, highlighting an 11.4% growth in RMG exports during the first eight months of FY 2024–25. The Council also outlined key strategies and challenges to boost future apparel exports.

27. Analysis of activities in textile sector-Identification of key policy interventions in Sri Lanka

A high-level delegation comprising Shri Animesh Saxena, EC Member, AEPC, and Ms. Richa Gupta, Director, Ministry of

Textiles, visited Sri Lanka from 20th to 22nd January 2025. The delegation engaged with major industry players including Brandix Apparel Ltd, MAS Holdings and the Hirdaramani Group, and also interacted with key institutional bodies such as JAAF and SLAEA.

The objective of this study was to comprehensively and critically analyse the apparel manufacturing and export sectors in Sri Lanka and to understand their policies, schemes and initiatives to draw key lessons for India. The study aimed to identify best practices, policy frameworks and industry innovations that have contributed to their apparel export growth, so that actionable steps can be taken in India to further strengthen India's apparel sector.

28. Meeting with Hon'ble Commerce & Industry Minister on Export Strategy

AEPC Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary General attended a meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Commerce & Industry Minister on 30th January 2025 at Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi. AEPC highlighted an 11.4% growth in RMG exports during April–December 2024 and presented key issues and strategies to further strengthen apparel exports.

29. Highlights of Union Budget 2025–26 for the Apparel Export Sector

AEPC shared key budget highlights with member exporters via a circular dated 2nd February 2025. Key wins for the sector include:

- ◆ extension of the duty-free import utilization period from 6 months to 1 year;

- ◆ - a shift from monthly to quarterly IGCR statement submissions, reducing compliance burden and documentation costs; and
- ◆ extension of concessional BCD rates on select textile machinery imports till 31st March 2027, with two new machinery types added to the nil duty list, thereby enhancing competitiveness for manufacturers.

30. AEPC requested a Special Scheme for Apparel Sector (SSAS)

An AEPC team led by the Secretary General had a meeting with DGFT on 10th February 2025 at the DGFT office to discuss a proposed Special Scheme for Apparel Sector (SSAS). AEPC proposed that, under this scheme, duty-free import of fabric (including interlining) should be allowed for the export of apparel under Chapters 61 and 62 of the ITC (HS) classification, subject to limited conditions.

31. Government support required to secure zero tariff access in USA for apparel export sector: AEPC Chairman

The Chairman, AEPC, vide his letter dated 3rd March 2025 to Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Commerce & Industry, requested Government of India's support to secure zero-tariff access in the USA for the apparel export sector.

32. AEPC attended the stakeholder consultation meeting for review of RoSCTL rates

The Chairman, AEPC, Chairman (EP), and SG-AEPC attended the stakeholder consultation meeting held on 6th March 2025 under the Chairmanship of Shri G.K. Pillai, Chairman, RoSCTL Committee, with representatives of EPCs, export units and the Ministry of Textiles.

33. Chairman AEPC requested the Hon'ble Finance Minister to address challenges related the apparel export sector

The Chairman, AEPC, in a letter dated 12th March 2025, urged the Hon'ble Finance Minister to address key challenges faced by the apparel export sector, highlighting its vital role in job creation, especially for women, and its contribution to the Prime Minister's vision of a "Viksit Bharat", with a strong reliance on MSME-centric policy support.

34. Meeting under the chairpersonship of Hon'ble CIM with EPCs and Industry Associations

The Chairman and Secretary General, AEPC, attended a virtual stakeholders' meeting on 13th March 2025, chaired by the Hon'ble Commerce & Industry Minister (CIM), to review apparel export performance and strategies for growth. Chairman, AEPC, attributed export growth to improved quality and new orders and reiterated the "4-Wheel" approach—Import Liberalization, Capacity Augmentation, Labour & Skilling and Capital Availability—to further boost exports.

35. AEPC thanked Hon'ble Prime Minister of India for spreading

awareness on textile waste and its prevention

AEPC thanked Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, for highlighting in Mann Ki Baat the extremely important issue of growing textile waste and for acknowledging India's textile industry start-up ecosystem for managing such waste efficiently to mitigate its harmful effects on the environment. The apparel industry in particular is embracing recycling and circular fashion in a big way through strategies focused on people, profit and planet.

36. Chintan Shivir” under Chairpersonship of Commerce Secretary

Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, SG-AEPC, participated in the Chintan Shivir held at Vanijya Bhawan under the Chairpersonship of the Commerce Secretary on “Disabilities Affecting Indian Exports”, attended by government officials and leading industry associations and EPCs, including CII, FICCI and FIEO. SG-AEPC spoke about structural issues such as the profile of India's exports, ways to increase India's participation in global value chains, steps required to improve ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) compliance, the need for aggressive support from Indian Missions abroad and the role of the national currency.

37. AEPC's Budget Proposal and Policy Support

AEPC sought policy stability and budgetary support for the textile sector.

Key demands included a 5% interest rate subsidy under the Interest Equalization Scheme for five years, duty concessions on textile machinery and a uniform GST regime. AEPC also called for subsidies for eco-friendly production, incentives for traceability and support for global branding of “Made in India” products.

38. AEPC – WGSN collaboration for Fashion and Design Trends and Forecast

AEPC has partnered with WGSN, a global leader in consumer fashion and design trends and forecasting, for 2024–25. This collaboration aims to revitalize the Indian apparel export market using WGSN's insights. The benefits for AEPC members under this partnership include exclusive free access to WGSN's content at AEPC offices, in-person seminars at key garment manufacturing clusters and free online webinars on in-depth trend forecasts and market insights.

39. Fashion Trends and Forecast for Spring Summer (S/S) 2025 and major occasions

To support members in keeping abreast of the latest global fashion trends and to ensure that their designs meet international demand, AEPC shared a report on Fashion Trends and Forecast for Spring–Summer (S/S) 2025 and major occasions, prepared by the in-house team at the Council. The document highlights key trends in fabrics, designs and colours expected to dominate the global market in 2025.

40. Chairman AEPC attended interaction session with over 30 Countries for promoting Bharat Tex 2025, organized by Ministry of Textiles.



The Ministry of Textiles hosted an interactive session with foreign missions in India to promote Bharat Tex 2025. The event was attended by representatives from over 30 foreign missions, industry leaders and government officials, including Union Minister, Shri Pabitra Margherita, who encouraged global participation.

41. Fashion Trends and Forecast for Autumn - Winter 2025

To support members in keeping abreast of the latest global fashion trends and to ensure that their designs meet international demand, AEPC shared a report on Fashion Trends and Forecast for Autumn–Winter 2025 with all member-exporters. The document highlights key trends in fabrics, designs and colours expected to dominate the global market in 2025.

42. Policy Advocacy for Export Growth

AEPC has requested the Government to

remove certain tax provisions and customs duties to support apparel exporters. AEPC has also sought extension of the Interest Equalization Scheme and continuation of tax benefits for new manufacturing units. Additionally, AEPC has requested enhancement of the e-commerce export cap and an increase in the export realization period to encourage growth in the sector. The Council has urged the Government to announce tax incentives, including removal of the provision requiring payments to MSMEs within 45 days to claim deductions, and customs duty exemption on garment machinery imports.

43. Request for Submission of "Know Your Member" (KYM) Form

To enhance the quality of support extended to member-exporters, AEPC has initiated a "Know Your Member" (KYM) exercise to collect essential data such as product categories, export destinations, production capacities and export turnover. This information is critical for AEPC to better understand member profiles and facilitate more targeted trade support. The data is also frequently sought by key government bodies, including the Ministry of Textiles and the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, to inform policy development for the apparel sector.

44. AEPC urged government to reform labour laws and improvement in skilling schemes to boost exports

AEPC has suggested that the Government introduce reforms in labour

laws, improve schemes for skilling the workforce and make policies for fabric imports more flexible to boost exports. Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC, stated that the export target of USD 40 billion for ready-made garments by 2030 is ambitious, though the industry is making all possible efforts to achieve it. He emphasized that the Government should introduce reforms in Indian labour laws, improve schemes for skilling the workforce and make fabric import policy flexible and industry-friendly.

45. AEPC honored by Hon'ble Minister of Textiles for Bharat Tex 2025

The Apparel Export Promotion Council received a token of appreciation from Hon'ble Minister for Textiles, Shri Giriraj Singh, for its role in successfully organizing Bharat Tex 2025. Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General, AEPC, received the appreciation memento on behalf of the Council.

EVENTS CONDUCTED DURING THE YEAR

1. Training Programme on the Circularity in Textiles & Apparel Sector in India

AEPC, along with the Centre for Environment Education (CEE), jointly conducted a training programme on “Circularity in the Textiles and Apparel Sector in India” at Apparel House, Gurugram, on 9th April 2024. Exporters based in Delhi/NCR participated in the programme. Topics covered included the circular economy concept and its relevance to the textile and apparel

sector, opportunities to minimize waste, reduce resource consumption and optimize processes, as well as potential regulatory changes.

2. Capacity Building Program on Technology and Innovation in Apparel Export Industry



AEPC, as part of its capacity building and awareness generation efforts, organized a one-day capacity building programme on “Technology and Innovation in Apparel Export Industry” on 19th April 2024 at Apparel House, Gurugram, in physical mode. The programme focused on two components: (i) Technology and Industry 4.0, and (ii) R&D and Innovation. It involved presentations, lectures and interactive discussions. Exporters based in Delhi/NCR participated, and certificates were provided to the participants.

3. Roundtable Discussions with Global Brands

In order to reach out to foreign brands, AEPC organized a roundtable in New Delhi on 3rd May 2024 with representatives of major NCR-based buying agencies and liaison offices of overseas retailers/brands. The

roundtable was chaired by Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, Gol, and co-chaired by Smt. Shubhra, Trade Advisor, Ministry of Textiles, Gol.

4. Training Program on Finance and Investment



On 14th June 2024, AEPC hosted a training programme on Finance and Investment in the Apparel Export Sector. The event covered essential topics such as project financing, working capital management, MSME loans, trade financing and export insurance, with participation from industry. The programme aimed to enhance industry knowledge and provide practical insights into managing finance and investments effectively.

5. Webinar on Harnessing Ecommerce Data for Growth in the Apparel Sector



AEPC, with the support of Seller App, organized a webinar on “Harnessing E-Commerce Data for Growth in the Textiles and Apparel Sector” on 5th July 2024, to provide crucial insights into the strategic use of e-commerce data to drive growth in the apparel industry. Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, SG-AEPC, spoke on the pivotal role of e-commerce in achieving the export objectives of the Indian apparel industry, and Mr. Brij Purohit, Co-Founder of Seller App, presented a comprehensive analysis of the global and Indian textile and apparel markets.

6. Webinar on the Importance of OEKO-TEX® Standards in Promoting Sustainability in Apparel Exports

AEPC, in collaboration with Hohenstein India Pvt. Ltd., organized a webinar on “The Importance of OEKO-TEX® Standards in Promoting Sustainability” on 12th July 2024. The webinar outlined the significance of maintaining high standards in apparel exports in order to ensure product quality, enhance consumer confidence and foster long-term environmental stewardship, as global markets increasingly prioritize ethical and sustainable practices.

7. AEPC Tirupur Office, jointly with AXN Infotech, jointly organized a webinar on "53rd GST Council Updates and GST Notices & Appeal"



AEPC–Tirupur Office, jointly with AXN Infotech, successfully organized a webinar on “53rd GST Council Updates and GST Notices & Appeals” on 19th July 2024 (Friday). The speaker, Mr. Kathiravan, Tax Consultant/Advisor, gave a detailed presentation on recent GST updates and provided information on GST awareness, responding to notices and the legal process of filing appeals.

8. Panel discussion on Union Budget 2024-25



AEPC organized a panel discussion on the Union Budget 2024–25 at Apparel House, Gurugram, on 31st July 2024, focusing on its implications for the Indian apparel export sector. Experts from leading institutions including IIFT, Economic Laws Practice, Lakshmikumaran & Sridharan, NIPFP, ISID and Stenn Technologies shared insights on key budgetary provisions related to R&D, technology upgrades, sustainability and investment facilitation in raw material manufacturing.

9. Global Growth Summit 2024

AEPC, in partnership with Xindus Trade Network Pvt. Ltd., organized the Global Growth Summit 2024 on 29th August

2024 in Jaipur. The event featured expert-led panel discussions and workshops on global trade compliance, VAT, supply chain management and brand creation. With participation from DGFT, FIEO, ICICI Bank, Amazon Global and others, the summit attracted industry participants and focused on addressing challenges in cross-border trade.

10. Webinar on Financial Risk Management



AEPC, in collaboration with VoloFin Services Pvt. Ltd., conducted a webinar on 30th August 2024 to equip Indian apparel exporters with strategies for financial risk management. The objective was to explore current trends and future opportunities in the global apparel market, discuss the role of trade finance and credit insurance in securing transactions and ensuring smooth cash flow, and provide actionable insights and practical advice for enhancing competitiveness in global markets.

11. Webinar on How to Uncover Hidden FX Risk and Strategic Solutions for Corporate Finance

On 13th September 2024, AEPC, in collaboration with SMC Global Securities Ltd., conducted a webinar on “How to Uncover Hidden FX Risk and Strategic

Solutions for Corporate Finance.” The session provided apparel exporters with key insights on managing foreign exchange risks and optimizing financial strategies in global trade.

12. Secretary Textiles visits Tirupur cluster



The then Secretary (Textiles), Smt. Rachna Shah, IAS, and Joint Secretary, Shri Rajeev Saxena, IRSS, visited Tirupur on 5th October 2024. During their visit, they toured Netaji Apparel Park and the Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) at Anuparpalayam and met members of the Tirupur Exporters' Association (TEA) to discuss various demands and issues.

13. Bharat Tex – 2025 Road Show at Jaipur



AEPC organized a road show for promoting Bharat Tex 2025 in Jaipur on 4th October 2024. The objective was to

share information about Bharat Tex and create awareness in the industry about this grand event to motivate maximum participation. The event was supported by GEAR and witnessed enthusiastic participation.

14. Webinar on Growing Apparel Exports with Google



AEPC, in partnership with Google, hosted a webinar on 15th October 2024 to explore digital strategies for boosting India's apparel exports to USD 40 billion by 2030. The session emphasized the role of technology in enhancing global competitiveness. Google experts shared tools and insights on market analysis, advertising optimization and data-driven growth to help exporters expand their global reach.

15. Pan-India Seminar Series on Export Finance and Trade Facilitation



AEPC, with the support of Stenn Technologies, organized a series of seminars on “Export Finance and Trade

Facilitation for the Apparel Industry” between August and October 2024 across key cities in India, including Jaipur, Ludhiana, Bengaluru, Tirupur and Mumbai. The seminars focused on the latest practices in compliance, customs procedures, schemes, GST, income tax and export finance. Senior officials from DGFT, Customs, GST, the MSME Ministry, Income Tax Department, etc., attended the events. Exporters raised their issues before the government officials and many were resolved on the spot.

16. International Roadshows in Madrid, New York and London



As a build-up to Bharat Tex 2025, AEPC successfully conducted international road shows in Madrid and New York in October 2024 and in London in November 2024 to showcase the best of trade, technology and tradition.

In preparation for Bharat Tex 2025, a series of road shows and roundtable discussions were also organized in key cities in India. These discussions connected government officials, Indian manufacturers, international brands and

industry leaders to foster collaboration and address key issues in the textile and garment industry.

17. Bharat Tex Roadshow at Kolkata



Shri Giriraj Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, inaugurated the Bharat Tex road show on 20th November 2024 in Kolkata. The event saw participation from key dignitaries including Union Minister of State, Shri Pabitra Margherita, senior officials from the Ministry of Textiles and leaders from AEPC and JPDEPC. A large number of textile exporters attended, showcasing strong industry support for the upcoming Bharat Tex event.

18. Webinar on Enhancing Productivity for Export Growth



On 9th December 2024, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC, delivered the keynote address at a webinar organized

by AEPC in collaboration with Invest India, focusing on enhancing productivity to unlock the export potential of the Indian apparel industry. The speakers included Dr. Suruchi Mittar, Senior VP & Chief Industry Officer, Invest India; Mr. Rajesh Bheda, Rajesh Bheda Consulting; Mr. Prashant Agarwal, Joint MD, Wazir Advisors; and Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, SG-AEPC, who gave the closing remarks and vote of thanks.

19. Stakeholder Round Table on EU's New ESG Compliances & Regulations



On 15th January 2025, AEPC organized a Stakeholder Round Table Discussion on the European Union's new ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) compliances and regulations at Apparel House, Gurugram. The session aimed to assess the implications of the evolving EU regulatory landscape on the Indian apparel sector and deliberate on necessary short-, medium- and long-term actions.

20. Roundtable Discussion: Strengthening Indian Apparel Exports amidst Evolving Geopolitical Landscape



AEPC organized a high-level roundtable with leading global apparel brands on 23rd January 2025 at New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, and presided over by Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC. Shri Kansal urged global brands to actively participate in Bharat Tex 2025 and invest in the “Brand India” initiative, reaffirming the Government's support to the RMG sector. Representatives from prominent fashion houses—including Tendam Global Fashion, Impulse, Kas Group Asia, Superdry PLC, JCPenney and others—shared insights on strategies to achieve the target of USD 40 billion in RMG exports by 2030.

21. Panel discussion on Union Budget 2025-26



AEPC held a panel discussion on 3rd February 2025 at its Head Office in Gurugram to analyse the Union Budget

2025–26 and its implications for the Indian economy and apparel export sector. The session, moderated by SG-AEPC, featured insights from experts across finance, policy and industry. Industry leaders shared their perspectives, making the discussion highly engaging and informative

22. Webinar on WGSN Fashion Forecast Trend Platform



AEPC, with the support of WGSN, its fashion forecast and trend partner, organized a webinar on 7th February 2025. The objective of the webinar was to help members understand how to use WGSN effectively, how to navigate the platform, where to find the latest trends and to provide hand-holding support by the WGSN team.

23. Bharat Tex 2025



Bharat Tex 2025, India's largest global textile event, was successfully organized from 14th to 17th February 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The event spanned 2.2 million square feet and featured over 5,000 exhibitors, providing a comprehensive showcase of India's textile ecosystem. More than 1,20,000 trade visitors from over 120 countries, including global CEOs, policymakers and industry leaders, attended the event.

Bharat Tex 2025 served as a platform to accelerate the Government's "Farm to Fibre, Fabric, Fashion and Foreign Markets" vision. India's textile exports have already reached 3 lakh crore, and the goal is to triple this to 9 lakh crore by 2030 by strengthening domestic manufacturing and expanding global reach. The event demonstrated India's leadership in the textile sector and its commitment to innovation, sustainability and global collaboration.

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, addressed Bharat Tex 2025 at Bharat Mandapam. He also took a walkthrough of the exhibition. Addressing the

gathering, the Prime Minister welcomed everyone to Bharat Tex 2025 and remarked that Bharat Mandapam was witnessing the second edition of Bharat Tex, which reflects both India's heritage and the prospects of a Viksit Bharat. He noted that Bharat Tex is becoming a mega global textile event and highlighted that all twelve communities related to the value chain were part of the event. The Prime Minister lauded Bharat Tex as a strong platform for engagement, collaboration and partnership for policymakers, CEOs and industry leaders from across the world and appreciated the efforts of all stakeholders involved in organizing the event

24. Webinar on “Unlocking Export Opportunities in Spain”



To support exporters in exploring new opportunities and gaining valuable market insights, AEPC, in collaboration with the Embassy of India in Spain and Meridyen Uluslararası Fuarçılık, organized a webinar on “Unlocking Export Opportunities in Spain” on 18th March 2025. His Excellency, Shri Dinesh K. Patnaik, Ambassador of India to Spain and Andorra, graced the event as the Chief Guest.

25. Webinar on Rupee-Ruble trade mechanism for enhancing market access to Russia



On 24th March 2025, AEPC organized a webinar in collaboration with SBER Bank (one of the largest banks in Russia) on “Rupee Payment Mechanism and Trade Issues with Russia” to create awareness among Indian exporters on its benefits, simplifying payments and boosting trade efficiency.

26. Brainstorming Session on Advancing India's Strategic Pursuit for USD 40 Billion by 2030

AEPC hosted a two-day brainstorming session on 26th–27th March 2025 in Gulmarg, Jammu & Kashmir, focusing on “Advancing India's Strategic Pursuit for USD 40 Billion by 2030 in Apparel Exports with a Focus on Competitiveness & Sustainability.” The event saw participation from Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, and Smt. Shubhra, Trade Advisor, representing the Ministry of Textiles, reinforcing government–industry collaboration.

27. Pan India Awareness Generation Series on E-Commerce Exports



AEPC, in collaboration with Amazon Global Selling, organized the pan-India awareness generation series “Export Connect” in different Indian cities such as Coimbatore, Jaipur, New Delhi and Ahmedabad. This series aimed to create awareness regarding e-commerce exports among apparel exporters. Industry members learned from experts, senior government officers, industry leaders and the Amazon team on how to expand their business through Amazon's global marketplaces.

28. Pan-India Awareness Program on Environmental Social Governance (ESG)

AEPC, in collaboration with the Apparel Made-Ups & Home Furnishing Sector Skill Council (AMHSSC) and Bluesign Technologies, organized a nationwide ESG awareness programme targeting key readymade garment manufacturing clusters across India. The series covered Tirupur, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Gurugram, Jaipur, Kolkata and Noida. The initiative aimed to promote sustainable practices

and ESG compliance aligned with global standards, particularly those of the European Union.

The programme featured notable speakers including AEPC leadership, industry experts and representatives from Bluesign Technologies, offering deep insights into ESG requirements and best practices. Each event drew participation from manufacturers, buying agents and stakeholders, reinforcing the industry's commitment to sustainability and global competitiveness.

29. Indian Trade Service Probationers visits AEPC



An AEPC team led by Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, SG-AEPC, met with the Indian Trade Service probationers who visited AEPC. Senior officers of the Council made presentations and briefed them on the Council's work and the garment export scenario. Shri Thakur inspired the young officers to be decisive and action-oriented in their approach. He also shared his experience in Government and advised them to be proactive and industry-friendly.

EXPORT PROMOTION

The Council's Export Promotion Department has been steadfast in its efforts to boost India's apparel exports by engaging in international fairs, facilitating business matchmaking, and organizing Buyer-Seller Meets (BSMs) and specialized trade delegations.

As part of these initiatives, the department successfully organized the following global trade events during the financial year 2024–25:

B2B OVERSEAS FAIRS 2024-25

(i) International Apparel & Textile Fair (IATF), Dubai



The Council participated in International Apparel and Textile Fair Dubai from 20th to 22nd May, 2024 with 35 booths and 209 visitors visited in the Indian Pavillion. Business was generated worth USD 0.4851 mn.

(ii) Texworld Apparel Sourcing Paris, France



The Council participated Texworld Apparel Sourcing Paris, France held from 1st -3rd July, 2024 with 32 exhibitors. Business was generated worth USD 0.375 mn.

(iii) India Tex Trend Fair 2024 (ITTF), Tokyo-Japan-



The Council participated in India Tex Trend Fair 2024 (ITTF), Tokyo, Japan held from 23rd to 25th July, 2024 with 200 booths and 2300 buyers visited the fair. Business was generated worth USD 10.6 mn.

iv) Sourcing at Magic, Las Vegas, USA



The Council participated in Sourcing at Magic, Las Vegas, USA held from 19th to 21st August, 2024 with 40 booths. Approx. 3000 buyers visited in the India Pavilion. Total Business generated worth USD 6.57 mn. The event was approved under MAI Scheme.

v) Global Sourcing Expo Melbourne, Australia



The Council participated in Global Sourcing Expo Melbourne, Australia held

from 19th to 21st November, 2024 with 44 booths and more than 5555 buyers / visitors visited the fair. The event was approved under MAI Scheme. Total Business generated worth USD 0.7485 mn.

vi) India Fashion & Lifestyle Show, Tokyo, Japan



The Council participated in India Fashion & Lifestyle Show, Tokyo, Japan held from 15th to 17th January, 2025 with 35 booths and more than 650 buyers / visitors visited the fair. Total Business generated worth USD 3.2555 mn. The event was approved under MAI Scheme.

HIGH LEVEL TRADE DELEGATIONS:

I) Visit of AEPC Delegation to International Apparel & Textile Fair (IATF), Dubai (20-22 May, 2024) :



Shri Premal H Udani, Chairman, Export Promotion Committee, AEPC visited Dubai, UAE during the fair days and met exhibitors, fair Authorities & Buyers and hold the meeting with the officials of Embassy of India, UAE.

Major buyers visited from Dubai like Nesto, Apparel Group, Landmark Group, Amazon, Lulu Group etc. The exhibition IATF was also inaugurated by the H.E. butti Saeed Mohammad Al- Ghandi) Managing Director of Al Ghandi Investment Co. and Chairman of the Board of Emirates Investment and Development Company PSC). He also visited the AEPC booth and interacted with the AEPC team and other Indian exhibitors.

ii) Visit of AEPC Delegation to Texworld Apparel Sourcing, Paris, France (01-03 July, 2024):



Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC visited Paris, France, during the fair days and met exhibitors, Fair Authorities, TUV Germany team & also Mr. Adam Scibor, International Manager, Ptak, Poland.

iii) Visit of High Level Trade Delegation of AEPC to Tokyo, Japan (23-25 July, 2024)

AEPC Participated in 14th edition of India Tex Trends Fair, Japan held during 23rd to 25th July, 2024 at Tokyo, Japan with the largest number of exhibitors ever.



The fair was inaugurated in Tokyo, Japan by His Excellency Sibi George, Ambassador of India to Japan in presence of Mr. Ishii Taku, Vice Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, Government of Japan, Mr. Yoshitaka Sasakawa, Advisor, Japan India Industry Promotion Association (JIIPA) Mr. Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC, Mr. Premal H Udani, Chairman, Export Promotion Committee, Mr. Virender Uppal, EC Member & Mr. Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General, AEPC, other dignitaries and representatives from apparel brands, retail chains, etc. B2B Business delegation meetings were also held to strengthen undertaking and collaborations on the sidelines of the India Tex Trends during the 3 days event.

AEPC trade delegation met top brands and retail chains on the side-lines of this fair. Few of the prominent brands include-

Fast Retailing Co. Ltd, Toray International Inc, World Co. Ltd, MN International, Adastria Co. Ltd., Sumitomo Corporation, MUJI, Toyoshima, Marubeni, Mitsubishi, Koyo trading, United Arrows, MYK Fashion, Uniqlo Co. Ltd. AEPC is happy to report positive sentiments from each of these trading companies and importers who seem to have handing most of their current sourcing from Bangladesh and China but were quite keen to diversify their sourcing in favour of India.

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY ON 05.06.2024

To create awareness and propagating the theme of the World Environment Day 2024 “Our Land Our Future”, a web banner was designed and uploaded in the Council's website. Besides this, morning tea and coffee was served to the employees in the earthen pots (“Mitti ke Kulhar”) and saplings was planted in the same Kulhar and given to the employees. Awareness message was also circulated through the Council's social medial platforms.

2. WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY ON 14.06.2024

On the occasion of the **"World Blood Donor Day"** the Council has organized the following activities:

i) For creating awareness a web banner and posters mentioning the slogan “20 years of celebrating giving: Thank you, blood donors!” were displayed in prominent places.

ii) A mass mail was circulated to all member exporters of the Council, encouraging them to celebrate World Blood Donor Day in their offices/factories, take the Blood Donation Oath and motivating staff to donate blood.

iii) A heartfelt thanksgiving note, penned by the son of an employee of the Council was published in the Council's monthly magazine, Apparel India.

iv) A Shapath (Oath) Ceremony was organized in all Council offices on 14th June 2024

3. HOLI CELEBRATION ON 13.03.2025



The Council celebrated “Holi Festival” on 13th March, 2025 with great enthusiasm and vigor. Rangarang Antakshari competition was organized and winners were felicitated on the occasion.

The Apparel House's ground floor reception room was decked out in a variety of colors, and a selfie station was set up to encourage staff members to take photographs. A lady and a gentleman who were best dressed received prizes as well.

4. YOGA SESSION CONDUCTED ON THE INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY 21.06.2024



To mark the occasion, the Council had organized a Yoga Session on 21st June, 2024 at its Head Office with a motto that “Yoga is a way to physical, mental and spiritual well-being.” The one hour yoga session was conducted by a professionally qualified Yoga Trainer who taught the participants asanas to improve strength, balance and flexibility, help in back pain relief and ease joint pain, keep heart healthy and energetic throughout.

5. NATIONAL FLAG DAY ON 22nd JULY, 2024

The National Flag Day is observed annually on 22nd July, 2024 to celebrate the adoption of the tricolour designed by Pingali Vekayya as the flag of India. On the occasion of The National Flag Day a special on line quiz about the National Flag was organized for the employees of the Council on 22.07.2024 where all have participated with great interest and enthusiasm. Winners were awarded with a token prize.

6. WORLD NATURE CONSERVATION DAY ON 29.07.2024

The World Nature Conservation Day was celebrated on 29th July, 2024 in the Council by planting trees in the offices. The aim to celebrate was to come together and support nature and educate people not to exploit it. In addition a poster making competition was organized for the kids of the employees on the topic “Save the Earth”. In this competition 14 children participated. A “Certificate of Appreciation” with a token gift was presented to all the participants for their enthusiastic and active participation in the competition.

7. THE NATIONAL HANDLOOM DAY CELEBRATION ON 07.08.2024



On the occasion of the 10th Handloom Day celebration, the Council made all its efforts to spread the message of hashtag #MyProductMyPride & #MyHandloomMyPride. Designed a Scrolling Web Banner and uploaded on the home page of the Council's website. Special messages were developed and circulated among the employees and member exporters of the Council, urging them to support the handloom sector by buying and wearing handloom products and posting their pictures using the

hashtags #MyProductMyPride and #MyHandloomMyPride. Tweets, video links and success stories of weavers were shared to help raise awareness about the handloom sector and enable wider dissemination of this information.

8. PLANT FOR MOTHER CAMPAIGNING ON 07.08.2024

The Council organized the tree-planting event on 7th August, 2024 as part of the Global campaign # एक पेड़ माँ के नाम # #Plant4Mother# in the Apparel House. Under the campaign 30 trees were planted by the Council's employees. Glimpses of the event are as under

9. INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION FROM 13.08.2024 - 15.08.2024



On Independence Day, the Council held a flag-hoisting ceremony in all its offices, followed by the signing of the National Anthem. Tiranga Rally was organized on the day. Kite flying competition was held and winner was awarded. Created a Selfie Point in the office under the “Har Ghar Tiranga” campaign to facilitate employees to click their selfies and post the same at www.harghartiranga.com.

Additionally employees were encouraged to hoist Tiranga on the roof tops of their respective residences from 13th to 15th August, 2025. Decorated all the offices of the Council in the Tri-Colour theme between 13th to 15th August, 2024. Organized an essay writing competition for employees and their kids.

10. CELEBRATION OF NAVRATRI FESTIVAL

To join the festivities, the Council had organized fun games for the employees of the council on 7th October, 2024. Each employee was provided with ample opportunities to win prizes. The event was concluded with the distribution of refreshment boxes.

11. ONLINE HEALTH TALK ON THE OCCASION OF WORLD HEART DAY ON 29.09.2024

On the occasion of “World Heart Day,” we organized an online health talk on cardiovascular diseases and the preventive measures one may take for its management for employees and their families.

12. DIWALI CELEBRATION



On 30th October, 2024 the Council celebrated Diwali, the festival of lights, with a great deal of fervor and reverence.

Rangoli colors and flowers were used to decorate the office. The blue, yellow and white lights further beautified the office premises. Puja was performed in the office, which was followed by distributing the refreshment to the attendees.

13. SWACHHATA PAKHWADA OBSERVED IN ALL THE OFFICES OF THE COUNCIL FROM 01.11.2024 TO 15.11.2024

The Swachhata Pakhwada was observed in all the offices of the Council from 1st November, 2024 to 15th November, 2024. To create awareness mass mails were sent in the trade to encourage the members to participate in the Pakhwada, web banners, posters, selfie booth and standees were displayed in various prominent places. All employees took the Swachhata Pledge and visited at various factories/clusters to motivate workers to take pledge for their dedication to cleanliness in daily life. The organizations participated in the Swachhata Pakhwada were presented a certificate of participation.

14. COMMUNAL HARMONY CAMPAIGN WEEK 2024

The Communal Harmony Campaign Week has been observed in the Council from 19th to 25th November, 2024 and the last day of the week i.e. 25th November, 2024 was celebrated as the Flag Day. The campaign was organized with the objective to raise funds for providing financial assistance for the rehabilitation of child victims of communal, caste, ethnic or terrorist violence.

15. HEALTH CHECKUP CAMP HELD ON 30.12.2024

A Health Checkup Camp was organized in association with M/s Star Health and Allied Insurance Co. Ltd. on 30th December, 2024 at Council's Head Office. The camp had facilities of eye check-up and physical examination like body mass index (BMI), random blood sugar and blood pressure along with Physician's consultation. Additionally a health talk was also organized on "Lung Diseases caused by pollution".

16 CELEBRATION OF FOUNDATION DAY OF THE COUNCIL



AEPC has celebrated its 47th Foundation day on 22nd February, 2025. A ceremonial lamp was lit to commemorate the day. A specially designed web banner capturing the foundation day message was uploaded to the Council's website, and similarly, standees were displayed in the prominent locations of the Council's offices. The SG AEPC addressed the gathering and shared expectations for the upcoming year. The DSG also had shared his thoughts on the occasion. A cake-cutting ceremony was held, and the celebrations concluded with a formal lunch for the staff. The Council had published a "Thanks giving"

advertisement to the honorable Prime Minister of India in the Times of India and Economic Times for his visionary leadership and providing series of industry friendly and progressive policies to the Industry to help boosting the export.

17. CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ON 07.03.2025



We celebrated International Women's Day at the Council by sending a specially designed electronic greeting card to the female employees and another to the male employees to wish the ladies in their lives a happy International Women's Day. All the female employees were presented a gift voucher and refreshments were served to all employees.

17. CHAITRA NAVRATRI CELEBRATION DURING MARCH 2025

According to mythology, the 9 days of Navratri are dedicated to different goddesses and each goddess is associated with a different colour. This year on Chaitra Navratri during March 2025, the employees of the Council wore clothes of the specified colour as it is considered sacred and brings good luck.

18. ONLINE SESSION ON POST RETIREMENT SAVING AND OTHER PENSION RELATED BENEFITS ORGANIZED ON 27.03.2025

An online session was organized on 27th March, 2025 in collaboration with M/s. Bajaj Capital regarding the general saving and post-retirement saving benefits available in the market under the government or private run schemes / policies including pension related benefits.

AHM DEPARTMENT

The Facility Management team and Security at Apparel House are trained on the fire and safety of the building premises on a regular basis. This ensures prompt and ready response in case of any unwanted exigencies and preparedness at all times.

All the statutory compliances like Fire NOC, property tax, lift NOC etc. have been duly obtained and complied with authority concerned

SECRETARIAL & MEMBERSHIP

The new entrant can apply for registration either at the Registered Office of the Council at New Delhi or Head Office and other nodal offices.

During the year 2024-25, 683 new Registered Exporters were enrolled.

The position as on 31st March, 2025 is as under:

Type	MER	MCM	MAF	Total
Member Exporters	72	21	857	950
Registered Exporters	1652	781	4396	6829
			G. Total	7779

MER : Merchant

MCM : Merchant cum Manufacturer

MAF : Manufacturer

The total number of Registered Exporters converted as Member as on date is 2634, since inception. System has been developed whereby intimation is sent to those Registered Exporters who fulfil the eligibility criteria for conversion to Member Exporters.

NUMBER OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

During Financial Year 2024-25, 9 Nos. of Executive Committee meetings were held as detailed below:-

Serial No.	Date
1	17.04.2024
2	24.04.2024
3	25.06.2024
4	02.09.2024
5	07.12.2024
6	21.12.2024
7	27.12.2024
8	10.01.2025
9	27.03.2025

EXTRACT OF ANNUAL RETURN

The extract of Annual Return, in format MGT-9, for the Financial Year 2024-25 is available at the website of the council i.e www.aepcindia.com.

SUB-COMMITTEES

The executive Committee of the Council has divided the functions to the following Sub-Committees with the objectives indicated:

1. Advisory Committee

The main purpose of this committee will be to discuss, deliberate emergent issues pertaining to Central/State matters concerning the garment export industries. The Committee will advise the Chairman on crucial various matters pertaining to ministries such as Commerce, Finance and Textile etc., and also all legal matters.

2. Export Promotion Committee

The committee will monitor and decide on various WTO matters, Foreign Trade Policy matter, deliberation on export targets, monitoring of market intelligence cell, promoting brand India image for Indian Apparel, creating global alliances & networking, vendor connect programs, webinars and export facilitations.

3. Fair & Exhibition Committee

The committee will monitor and decide on various international/domestic fairs, delegations, buyer-seller meet, organizing of various seminars in the country, holding of export award function

and to organize various events at Apparel House, Gurugram.

4. Staff Committee

To monitor, regulate and decide about the service matters of the council's employees.

5. Finance & Budget Committee

- ◆ To ensure accounts are maintained properly and audited promptly.
- ◆ To review quarterly financial and budget matters.
- ◆ To create a proper system of checks and balances and to ensure total transparency.
- ◆ To prepare budgetary estimates for approval of the Executive Committee and to monitor it.

6. Regional Committees

To liaison with various State Governments and negotiate favourable terms for setting up industry in these regions and to take up matters relating to minimum wage, labour laws etc with concerned State Government.

7. Apparel House Management Committee

- ◆ The Committee to look after day to day functions, regarding allotment/re-allotment of showrooms and managing of showrooms at Apparel House, Gurugram.
- ◆ To look after the maintenance and running of the Apparel House,

Gurugram and other related matters.

8. Empowered Committee

To monitor the expenditure where any Government assistance under any scheme is provided to the Council.

STATE OF COMPANY AFFAIR

(Financial Review)

- i) The net results show a deficit of Rs. 0.56 crore as against deficit of Rs.5.67 crore during previous financial year:-

Particular	Actual 2024-25	Actual 2023-24	Difference Increase/ (Decrease)
Rs. In Crore			
Total Income	43.80	50.09	(6.29)
Total Expenditure	44.35	55.76	(11.41)
Surplus/(Deficit)	(0.56)	(5.67)	5.11

- ii) The total income of the Council during the current year was Rs.43.80 crore as compared to Rs.50.09 crore during previous financial year, indicating a decrease of revenue by Rs.6.29 crore, details are as under:

Source of Income	Actual 2024-25	Actual 2023-24	Difference Increase/ (Decrease)
Rs. In Crore			
Membership Income	5.31	5.01	0.3
Council Fees	0.39	0.44	(0.05)
Export Promotion Revenue Including Govt Grants	13.89	20.34	(6.45)
Rent	15.18	15.11	0.07
Interest	8.26	8.71	(0.45)
Others	0.77	0.48	0.29
Total	43.80	50.09	(6.29)

- iii) The total expenditure of the Council during the current year was Rs. 44.35 crore as compared

to Rs.55.76 crore during previous financial year, indicating a decrease of expenditure by Rs.11.41 crore, details are as under:-

Head of Expenditure	Actual 2024-25	Actual 2023-24	Difference Increase/ (Decrease)
Rs. In Crore			
Salaries & Staff Benefits	14.53	14.96	(0.43)
Meeting Expenses	1.27	0.65	0.62
Legal & professional Charges	3.04	1.46	1.58
Export Promotion Expenditure Including R&PA and Contribution to Kasturi Cotton	17.73	24.64	(6.91)
Depreciation	1.55	1.68	(0.13)
Repairs & Maintenance	2.45	2.14	0.31
Administrative & Office Expenditure	3.78	10.23	(6.45)
Total	44.35	55.76	(11.41)

- iv) As per the guidance note on revised schedule iii of the Companies Act, 2013, the figures of Balance Sheet, P&L and Notes are rounded off in Rs. in Lakhs.
- v) During the year Council has incurred capital expenditure of Rs.0.11 crore as against Rs.0.15 crore spent during the previous year.
- vi) During the year some of the old balances were written off. The effect of the same is reflected in the accounts.
- vii) During the year, based on the decision of the 1st (2024) F&B committee, no salary and other expenditure has been charged to the MOT on account of BG/EMD cell. Even the direct expenditure on Legal fee, travelling and conveyance etc. spent by the Council on BG/EMD cell has been first charged and then transferred

back to its respective heads.

- viii) The recoverable amount for BG/EMD cell as on 31.03.2023 amounting to Rs. 7.26 crore was categorized as “Doubtful Recovery” and simultaneously a write off of 20% (Amounting to Rs. 1.45 crore) was created in the books as on 31.03.2024. Similarly a write off of 20% (Amounting to Rs. 1.45 crore) has been created in the books as on 31.03.2025. The Balance Recoverable for EMD/BG cell as on 31.03.2025 is shown as Rs. 4.36 crore under doubtful recovery.
- ix) Based on the decision of the Committee, the liability for the legal fee of Mr. Vikas Singh were provided as on 31.03.2025 (net of discount).

AMOUNT TRANSFERRED TO RESERVES

No amount is transferred to any separate reserve

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

During the year the Executive Committee overseas that all the risks that the organization faces such as strategic or operational have been identified and there is adequate risk management infrastructure in place capable of addressing those risks. All the Council's properties, plant and machinery are covered under the appropriate insurance policies. Various adequate insurance policies, to cover various risks relating to

its employees, are taken by the office. The Council has in place adequate internal financial control and internal auditor has been appointed. Further as per provisions of Companies Act professional agency has been hired to undertake internal financial control assignment also. For securing, the informatics systems that store, process, or transmit organizational information, from the high degree of digital data theft risks, firewall has been installed at all incoming & outgoing data traffic and well reputed internal antivirus with other security features has also been implemented.

SECRETARIAL AUDITOR REPORT

The Council was not required to appoint Secretarial Auditor as it does not fall within Pursuant to section 204(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule No.9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration Personnel) Rules, 2014.

DECLARATION BY INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

The Council was not required to appoint Independent Directors under Section 149(4) and Rule 4 of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 hence no declaration has been obtained.

COMPANY'S POLICY ON DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENT AND REMUNERATION INCLUDING CRITERIA FOR

DETERMINING QUALIFICATIONS, POSITIVE ATTRIBUTES, INDEPENDENCE OF A DIRECTOR AND OTHER MATTERS PROVIDED UNDER SUB-SECTION (3) OF SECTION 178.

The Council was not required to constitute a Nomination and Remuneration Committee under Section 178(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 6 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 and Stakeholders Relationship Committee under Section 178(5) of the Companies Act, 2013.

MATERIAL CHANGES AFFECTING THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY.

No material changes and commitments, affecting the financial position of the Company have occurred after the end of the financial year 2024-25 till the date of this report.

CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY, ABSORPTION, FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO.

The details of Energy, Technology, Absorption, Foreign Exchange Earnings and Outgo are as under:

a) Conservation of Energy:

Steps taken for conservation	Nil
Steps taken for utilizing alternate sources of energy.	NIL
Capital investment on energy conservation equipments	NIL

b) Technology Absorption:

Efforts made for technology absorption	NIL
Benefits derived	NIL.
Expenditure on Research & Development, if any	Nil
Details of technology imported, if any	Nil
Year of import	Nil
Whether imported technology fully absorbed	Nil
Areas where absorption of imported technology has not taken place, if any	NA

c) Foreign Exchange Earnings/ Outgo:

Earnings	Nil
Outgo	Rs. 15.10 Cr

PARTICULARS OF CONTRACTS OR ARRANGEMENTS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the year the Council did not enter into any contract / arrangement with related parties which could be considered material in accordance with related party transaction.

The particulars of contracts or arrangements with related parties

referred to in Section 188(1) of the Companies Act 2013 for the Financial Year 2024-25, in the prescribed format, AOC 2 has been enclosed with the report at Annexure-I.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR) POLICY

The Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 amended the section 135(1) of the Companies Act 2013 provides that every company having net worth of rupees five hundred crore or more, or turnover of rupees one thousand crore or more or a net profit of rupees five crore or more during [the immediately preceding financial year] shall constitute a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee of the Board consisting of three or more directors, out of which at least one director shall be an independent director.

From the last 3 financial years, the council has not crossed any of the specified limits mentioned under the Act to make CSR contributions. Therefore, for this financial year i.e 2024-25, the council has not made the CSR contribution.

CHANGE IN NATURE OF BUSINESS

There is no change in nature of business of the council during the year

DETAILS OF DIRECTOR OR KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL, APPOINTED AND RESIGNED DURING THE YEAR.

S.No	Name	Status
1.	Mr. R B Goenka	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
2.	Mr. Ashok G Rajani	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
3.	Mr. Dilip B. Trivedi	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
4.	Mr. Virender Uppal	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
5.	Mr. Harish Ahuja	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
6.	Mr. Lalit Gulati	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
7.	Mr. V Elangovan	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
8.	Mr. Rajeev S Goenka	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
9.	Mr. P Balasubramanian	Re-elected as Executive Committee Member
10.	Mr. Vijay Jindal	Appointed as Co-opted Member
11.	Mr. Navin Agarwal	Appointed as Co-opted Member
12.	Mr. Siva Ganapathi	Appointed as Co-opted Member
13.	Mr. Ramesh Agarwal	Appointed as Co-opted Member

DETAILS OF SUBSIDIARY, JOINT VENTURE OR ASSOCIATES

Council does not have any its Subsidiary, Joint Venture or Associates Company.

DEPOSITS

During the year council has not accepted any deposit from its members. Therefore there is no unpaid or unclaimed deposit as at the end of the year.

SIGNIFICANT AND MATERIAL ORDERS PASSED BY REGULATORS OR COURTS OR TRIBUNALS

The Council has not received any significant and material orders passed by any Regulators or Court or Tribunal which shall impact the going concern status and the Company's operations in future.

INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROL

The Executive Committee of the Council considered material placed before it, and after reviewing the confirmation from external parties and reviewing the effectiveness of the policies and procedures adopted by the Council for ensuring orderly and efficient conduct, including adherence to company's policy, safeguarding its assets, prevention and detection of frauds and errors and completeness of accounting records and timely preparation of financial statements, the Executive Committee has satisfied itself that the Company has laid down internal financial controls, commensurate with size of the council and that such internal financial controls are broadly adequate and are operating effectively. The certification by the auditors on internal financial control forms part of the audit report.

DISCLOSURES UNDER SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION & REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013.

Committee has been constituted to

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safeguard the interest of women against the Sexual harassment at workplace with following functions.

- i) Provide a safe working environment to the women employees of the Council.
- ii) Provide assistance to the victim to make the complaint in writing.
- iii) Display conspicuously at the workplace, the penal consequences of indulging in acts that may constitute sexual harassment and the composition of the internal complaints committee.
- iv) Organize workshops and awareness programmes at the regular intervals for sensitizing the employees with the provision of the Act and orientation programmes for the members of ICC in the manner as may be prescribed.
- v) To take action for sexual harassment as a misconduct in accordance with the provisions of the service rules applicable to the respondent and initiate action for misconduct.
- vi) Committee to submit annual report in each calendar year and prepare the cases received, disposed, pending and preventions measures during the year and submit the same to the employer.

During the year two meetings were held and 10 numbers of workshop or awareness program against sexual harassment carried. There was no case reported pursuant to the sexual

harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013.

MATERNITY BENEFIT:

The Council affirms that it has duly complied with all provisions of the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961, and has extended all statutory benefits to eligible women employees during the year.

DIFFERENCE IN VALUATION

The Council has not made any one-time settlement for loans taken from the Banks or Financial Institutions, and hence the details of difference between amount of the valuation done at the time of one-time settlement and the valuation done while taking loan from the Banks or Financial Institutions along with the reasons thereof is not applicable.

D I R E C T O R S R E S P O N S I B I L I T Y S T A T E M E N T

In accordance with the provisions of Section 134(5) of the Companies Act 2013, your Executive Committee Members confirm that:

- a) in the preparation of the annual accounts for the financial year ended 31st March, 2025, the applicable accounting standards has been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures;
- b) the Executive Committee has selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and

made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at 31st March, 2025 and of the income & expenditure of the Company for that period;

- c) the Executive Committee has taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2013 for safeguarding the assets of the company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- d) the Executive Committee has prepared the annual accounts on a going concern basis;
- e) the Executive Committee has devised proper system to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and that such systems were adequate and operating effectively.

F O R M A L A N N U A L E V A L U A T I O N O F T H E P E R F O R M A N C E O F T H E B O A R D , I T S C O M M I T T E E S & I N D I V I D U A L D I R E C T O R S :

The Executive Committee have evaluated the performance of all the Executive Committee members and its Committees. The Executive Committee deliberated on various evaluation attributes for all Executive Committee members and after due deliberations

made an objective assessment and evaluated that all the Executive Committee members in the Executive Committee have adequate expertise drawn from diverse industries and business and bring specific competencies relevant to the Council's business and operations. The Executive Committee found that the performance of all the Executive Committee Members was quite satisfactory.

The Executive Committee also noted that the term of reference and composition of the Committees was clearly defined. The Committee performed their duties diligently and contributed effectively to the decisions of the Board.

The functioning of the Executive Committee and its committees were quite effective. The Executive Committee evaluated its performance as a whole and was satisfied with its performance and composition.

P R O C E E D I N G S P E N D I N G U N D E R T H E I N S O L V E N C Y A N D B A N K R U P T C Y C O D E , 2 0 1 6

There is no proceeding pending under the INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE, 2016.

E X P L A N A T I O N T O A U D I T O R ' S R E M A R K S

The notes on financial statements referred to in the Auditor's Report are self-explanatory and do not call for any further comments. The Auditor's Report for the year 2024-2025 does not contain any

qualification, reservation or adverse remarks.

PARTICULARS OF LOAN, GUARANTEES AND INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 186

During the F.Y 2024-2025, Council doesn't provide any loan, Guarantee and made any investment pursuant to section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013.

PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES.

In terms of the provisions of Section 197 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rules 5(2) and 5(3) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Amendment Rules, 2016, a statement showing the names and other particulars of employees drawing remuneration in excess of the limits set out in the said rules is annexed herewith as Annexure II to this Report.

RETIRING MEMBERS

In accordance with the provision of the act and Articles of Association of the Council Shri Rakesh Vaid, Shri H K L Magu, Shri Gautam Nair from Northern Region, Shri Vijay Agarwal, Shri Premal H Udani, Shri Samir Narayan Bhuta from Western Region and Shri B. Shanmugasundaram, Shri K M Subramanian and Shri R Ramu from Southern Region are retiring by rotation. The Executive Committee places on record its appreciation for the guidance and valuable services rendered by the outgoing Executive Committee Members.

AUDITORS

M/s. SCV & Co. LLP (Firm Registration No. 000235N/N500089) was re-appointed as Statutory Auditor of the Council at 44th AGM of the Council to hold the office till the conclusion of 49th Annual General Meeting of the Council to be held in the year 2028.

OTHER EMPHASIS MATTER

1) Public Accounts Committee in its 129th report dated 19.12.2018 Para II, Observations & Recommendations have discussed in succeeding paragraphs reported matters on flawed tendering and bidding process and undue post contractual benefits to M/s. TUL, as given below:-

Para 2 Quote

The PAC committee desire that adequate staffing in the Internal Audit Wing may be done urgently to make sure that internal audits are conducted as per the schedule and the terms of reference for Internal Audit of the organizations in the Ministry may be reassessed to ensure that all the transactions above a threshold value are invariably audited. Further, a system of strong internal controls and reporting may be evolved to ensure transparent and fair dealings.

Unquote

Para 3 Quote

The PAC Committee while noting that AEPC has purchased this office out of the Export Promotion Fund and Fashion Design cum Office Building Reserve Fund in 1991, with grant from the

Government of India, opine that the Executive Committee of AEPC has miserably failed in enforcing the relevant financial rules and therefore, their role in the same be inquired into and responsibility be fixed.

Unquote

Para 4 Quote

The PAC Committee, therefore, desire that explanation of the Government nominees for their inaction in the whole process may be called for an appropriate action.

Unquote

Para 5 Quote

The PAC Committee desire that the interest on EMD may be deposited in Government Account in a time bound manner. Disheartened to note the lackadaisical approach of both the Ministry of Textiles in monitoring the affairs of AEPC and Ministry of Corporate Affairs for taking more than two years in submitting an interim report, the Committee desire that a robust mechanism for speedy detection and timely processing of cases of apparent irregularities be developed by the Ministries/ Departments of Government of India so that such cases are finalized at the earliest.

Unquote

Para 6 Quote

The PAC Committee desire to be apprised whether responsibility has been fixed against officials responsible for the lapses in discharging fiduciary duties and appropriate action taken against the

officials. The Committee, noting that an interlocutory application is pending with the NCLT with regard to the management and functioning of AEPC, desire to be apprised of the arrangements made by the Ministry to oversee the functioning of AEPC before the decision on the matter is taken by the NCLT. The Committee also desire that the details of the outcome of the matter in NCLT may be intimated to the Committee as and when it is taken.

Unquote

Para 7 Quote

The PAC Committee take strong exception to the callous approach in responding to their queries and contradictory replies sent by the Ministry which has seriously hampered the examination of the subject by them. The Committee desire that the Secretary may look into the matter and take appropriate action against those responsible for such replies. Further, the committee desired to be apprised of the correct position within one month of the presentation of the Report to the House.

Unquote

Based on PAC's report & CCA's recommendation, the MoT has written letter no.8/1/2016-EP (Pt-I) dated 31st October 2018 and reminder letter no. 8/1/2016-EP dated 14th January 2019, directed AEPC to deposit entire interest amount of Rs. 214.44 crore and Rs. 17.42 crore being the amount of revenue loss in the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI).

With the approval of QAA & SG- AEPC/ Chairman- AEPC, Council represented and has replied to the matter clarifying

that, the interest on EMD is not payable because there is no provision of interest in Govt. Quota Policy and also there is no loss in letting out the premises as the fixation of rent was approved by the competent authority i.e. Executive Committee. The lease property is a property of the council and GFR rules are not applicable in the tendering process of leasing the property. The Council has adhered the laid down provision procedures duly approved by the EC of the Council and requested MoT to withdraw the letter. Chairman, AEPC vide letter no. AEPC:HO:CHRM:PAC (2018-19):2019/290 dated July, 22, 2019 addressed to Secretary (Textiles) informed that AEPC has not given any undue benefit to M/s Teesta Urja Ltd (TUL), but reduction in rent was due to the direction of PS to MoT conveyed vide note dated 28/01/2009.

Further, Chairman, AEPC vide letter no. AEPC:HO:CHRM:SINGLEA/C:2019/289 dated July 22, 2019 addressed to Secretary (Textiles) has sought information through CCA the basis under which the component of interest has been excluded from the income of AEPC and the basis on which a recovery of Rs. 214.44 crores has been demanded from AEPC by MoT vide letter dated 31.10.2018. It has also been requested by AEPC through office of CCA requested to know, whether report of the Single Account of AEPC conducted for the period 01.04.1978 to 31.03.2017 (conducted between 09.07.2018 to 20.07.2018 at AEPC) was on audit.

Ministry of Textiles vide communication

no. 8/1/2016-EP (Pt.1) dated 14th October, 2019 has forwarded a communication no. IAW/TEX/AEPC/10(54)/2017-18/733 dated 26/28.08.2019 of Principal Accounts Office, Ministry of Commerce & Textiles, Internal Audit Wing, New Delhi regarding deposit of interest of Rs. 214.44 crores in the Consolidated Fund of India. In the above, referred communication of Principal Account Office dated 26/28.08.2019, the following is indicated:-

Quote

On the direction of then Secretary MOT, vide OM No.8/1/216-EP dated 05.07.2018 reconciliation of single account maintained in AEPC, was carried out on the basis of Audited Annual Accounts. The reconciliation was done to segregate council's income and Government money which was maintained in a single Account and to assess the source of funding of Bhikaji Cama Place. The reconciliation report on single account of AEPC for the period 1.04.78 to 31.3.17 conducted during 09.07.2018 to 20.07.2018 at AEPC, Gurgaon, submitted vide letter no. IAW/TEX/AEPC/10(54)/2017-18/195 dated 31.07.2018 was not an audit report.

“As regards the basis under which the component of interest has been excluded from the income of AEPC, it is to state:

1) It was directed by then Secretary, in his chamber, in the presence of Secretary General and Director Finance, AEPC that the component of Income generated by AEPC from its own resources may be

separated from the gross income, to calculate, how much Government money it was holding every year. Therefore the components of income mentioned in the MOA of AEPC were segregated from other income of AEPC.

ii) From the file noting made available by AEPC, it has been understood that unclaimed EMD amounting to Rs. 48 Crore was not allowed to be retained in AEPC after CAG observation and has to be deposited into Govt. A/c in the year 2017. Wherefrom, it was gathered that EMD was Government money. Once it is established that EMD was Government money, the interest earned on the Govt. money also become refundable to Government. Therefore the component of interest was excluded from the income of AEPC.

iii) Further, since there has been a continual deficit between income and expenditure of AEPC, it has been understood that the whole interest earned by AEPC was on EMD.

The above observations were communicated to MOT in the reconciliation report and since MOT has formulated quota policy, the decision of recovery of interest earned during 48 years i.e. Rs. 214 crore by MOT must have been taken in view of the quota policy.

This issues with the approval of Chief Controller of Account.

Unquote

The Council has also filed a Writ Petition at Delhi High Court, where the Court on 24th May, 2019 & 19th August, 2019 stayed

the matter. The matter is sub-judice.

The office of Sr. Audit Officer, CAG Audit party vide communication dated 26.09.2019 asked the vetting remarks on AEPC Para 17.1 of report no.11 of 2016, verification of ATN. The Council has replied and provided the requisite documents/information vide communication dated 01.10.2019.

2) Inspection of Books of Accounts was carried out by MCA u/s. 206 (5) of Companies Act, 2013 on the recommendation of Ministry of Textiles for appointment of a Govt. administrator through their letter dated 12.07.2016 to MCA. The MCA has issued interim report dated 11/07/2018 and 20/11/2018 to AEPC. The Observation raised by MCA are replied by the Council through letter dated 23/07/2018 and 30/11/2018 respectively.

MCA has submitted its final Report dated 07/12/2018 at NCLT in the matter of Affordable Export Vs AEPC & Ors. where beside the general queries as raised by CAG/CCA, they have also pointed out certain non-compliance in terms of Section 447/448/129 of companies Act, 2013. Apart from it the MCA has filed a complaint u/s 447-447 for contravention u/s 447-448 of the Companies Act,2013 in the court of LD. ASJ (SPL Court), Dwarka Courts, Delhi on 14 signatories of the Annual Accounts w.e.f. 2004-05 to 2016-17 and auditors (except signatories who were Govt. servant) and summon them individually. The respondents in the matter have filed application U/s 482 of CrPC before the Hon'ble High Court Delhi praying for quashing of said complaint,

where the Hon'ble Court has exempted the respondents for personal appearance before the Dwarka Special Court till further orders. The matter is Sub-judice.

Registrar of Companies had filed the two cases during 2021-22 with cause title RoC Vs A. Sakthivel & Ors and RoC Vs Virender Uppal & Ors at the Hon'ble Court of LD, ACMM (Spl. Act) Central Tiz Hazari, Delhi for contravention under section 128 of the Companies Act, 2013 and for contravention under section 129 of the Companies Act, 2013 respectively, the cases are represented by all signatories of the Annual Accounts w.e.f. 2004-05 to 2016-17 (except signatories who were Government Officer/Nominees). Applications u/s 482 of CRPC is filed before the Delhi High Court by the respondents, for quashing the complaint cases proceedings in the Tis Hazari Court and the proceedings are pending.

Further, Registrar of Companies have filed one case during 2022-23 with cause title RoC Vs AEPC and Ors at Dwarka Court, Delhi for contravention under section 134 of the Companies Act, 2013, the cases are being represented. Applications u/s 482 of CRPC is filed before the Delhi High Court, for quashing the complaint cases proceedings in the Dwarka Court and the proceeding is pending.

Executive Committee in its 257th meeting held on 10/06/2019 has recorded that Joint Secretary level Government officers were appointed by Government of India as DG/QAA, who were also Government Nominee. On their recommendations, the

government used to announce quota opening. DG/QAA were the authority up to 31/12/2004 to compute the quota, allocate, certify and monitor the quota matters and also raise a claim on non-performance as per Garment Export Entitlement Policy (Refer para 2 (i) of the GEEP 1/128/99 Exports-I dated 12.11.1999. DG/QAA were the authority to reject the applications for quota allotment / revalidation and ordered return of EMDs. Such applications and EMDs were in Non-EMD space for which no further action was required since no quota's were computed / allocated or certified. For EMD space allocation and certification of quota is necessary.

DG/QAA took into account only those EMDs, where applications were accepted and computed and allotted quota / or revalidated and certified the quantity for exports etc. These EMD only came in EMD space. DG/QAA raised claim of forfeiture as per speaking order, which were to be supported by BG/FDR/DD/ Block BG/LUT/PDC Para 12(i), ii(a), ii(c), (vi), (x), (xi), Garment Export Entitlement Policy. The amount of forfeiture (emphasis supplied) was only due to be remitted to PDA/CFI as per amount shown in the speaking order. There is no concept of Principle amount of EMD in GEEP. The amount due for release or to be forfeited is the amount in the Speaking Order. The GEEP has no provision of interest. If the Speaking Order is for the forfeiture is Rs.1,00,000/- and in subsequent appellate authorities it is reduced to RS.50,000/-, the BG shall be encashed for Rs.50,000/- or exporter shall pay Rs.50,000/- by DD and BG of

full amount will be released. No question of interest. Similarly same applies to FDRs/DD/PDC/LUT as the case may be. Rs.50,000/- goes to Government. However, if EMD was originally in form of DD with AEPC, QAA remitted Rs.50,000/- to PDA/CFA and interest remained in AEPC books of account, which DG, QAA & Government Nominee invested in bank for earning interest for AEPC. All DG's, QAA, Government Nominee accordingly approved the Annual Report with Income & expenditure statements, Balance Sheet and Notes, showing interest earned as AEPC income, before these were presented before Executive Committee to give its final approval. Similar practice of keeping of books of account, treatment of interest income as AEPC income was continued up to 2018-19.

Chairman also informed about the factual position of Rs. 48.62 Cr shown in the balance sheet as on 31.03.2016 and has been elaborated as follow in Note 21 of the Annual Report of 2015-16.

“Note No.21:- EMD Liability: The Council being a Quota Implementation Agency collected Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) from the Indian Exporters against Quota allotment. The Quota system was abolished in 2004 and since 2005 the Council is acting a custodian for such EMD's and being dealt under Quota Residual Matters being headed by a Quota Administering Authority (QAA) appointed by the Ministry of Textiles as per Garment Exporter Entitlement Policy (2004).

As on 31.03.2015, an amount of Rs. 48, 62,40,580/- was shown as Earnest Money

Deposits (EMD) which included exporter's deposits in the form of drafts, fixed deposits, interest earned on fixed deposits encashment, Stale Cheques of returned EMD etc. The Union Government of India, through Ministry of Textiles has issued the Gazette Notification S.O. No. 8/3/2015-EP dated 2nd November, 2015. Based on the Gazette Notification, the QAA passed an order No. AEPC/HO/QRM/2016/362 dated 24/02/2016 for forfeiture to AEPC instead of specific exporter of the aforesaid EMD of Rs. 48,42,80,968/- along with the entire interest earned/ accrued on it since the date of submission of these EMDs with Council till the date of payment of the amount, in favor of the Government to be deposited in the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI). Up to 31.03.2016 the QAA has released an amount of Rs. 8,00,362/- for which a m e n d m e n t t o o r d e r n o . AEPC/HO/QRM/2016/362 dated 24.02.2016 has not been issued by QAA.

The Council has also deposited Rs.48,62,44,629/- during the year 2016-17 and has represented the matter to the Ministry. The interest payable on the aforesaid amount on forfeiture has been provided as abundant precaution from the date of forfeiture. Considering the past practice and the legal opinion, no further outflow is expected.”

The amount of Rs 48.62 Cr is in-fact has been in the books of accounts prior to the period 31.03.2004. A statement of the factual position for the period 1995-96 to 2003-04 showing the amount as liability is given below.

Statement Showing the position of Rs. 485788675.66 in the liability side (Other Current Liabilities) bench marked in the Annual Accounts 2013-14 & same information in the year 1995-96 to 2020-21, with details of:

Financial Year	Earnest Money Deposit-Quota/Earnest Money Deposit (As per Annual Report)	EMD-FDR/EMD Forfeiture-FDR (As per Annual Report)	Interest on EMD-FDR Encashment (Clubbed under Other Liabilities till 2010-11 therefore extracted from "Tally" Accounting Software)	EMD-Stale/Returned Cheques etc (Clubbed under Other Liabilities till 2010-11 therefore extracted from "Tally" Accounting Software)	Total EMD Liabilities (2+3+4+5)	Schedule No. /Note No. in the respective Annual Report of AEPC for reference)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1995-96	420526339.21	409548122.10	39348273.13	5792088.10	875214822.54	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
1996-97	386251957.10	420033953.76	37562192.51	6576686.60	850424789.97	Schedule 5 Current Liabilities & Provisions
1997-98	367430278.42	375977114.49	36128675.16	6633761.48	786169829.55	Schedule 5 Current Liabilities & Provisions
1998-99	363648410.43	330221049.04	36213027.46	13008582.33	743091069.26	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
1999-00	396207333.30	306793834.80	57348471.97	15265439.28	775615079.35	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2000-01	385723803.35	565959381.37	64653635.08	23241961.22	1039578781.02	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2001-02	407749449.30	757945481.23	62500812.07	21319840.69	1249515583.29	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2002-03	439165869.84	785539218.83	69892677.94	24370985.74	1318968752.35	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2003-04	426160632.25	735436995.00	69919104.19	23783956.99	1255300688.43	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2004-05	472313139.70	666672933.30	72252261.43	29512818.70	1240751153.13	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions

2005-06	395538761.0 0	222050376.5 9	72347627.18	31236065.0 2	721172829. 79	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2006-07	369534178.4 9	114295560.5 9	71497269.03	34158882.7 7	589485890. 88	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2007-08	360404158.0 0	66261281.00	70569640.00	43618434.0 0	540853513. 00	Schedule 4 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2008-09	361865146.0 0	51944429.97	70784996.01	39433318.4 1	524027890. 39	Schedule 5 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2009-10	357560837.0 0	43699440.97	70540812.40	39065342.1 4	510866432. 51	Schedule 6 Current Liabilities & Provisions
2010-11	363386669.9 7	15349880.00	73746327.91	39564123.3 5	492047001. 23	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2011-12	490346338.6 2	All the EMD liabilities are Merged and shown under Earnest Money Deposit.			490346338. 62	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2012-13	486968914.9 0				486968914. 90	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2013-14	485788675.6 6				485788675. 66	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2014-15	486240579.6 8				486240579. 68	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2015-16	485422944.5 0				485422944. 50	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2016-17	2024043.00				2024043.00	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2017-18	2024043.00				2024043.00	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2018-19	2100364.00				2100364.00	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2019-20	2100364.00				2100364.00	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2020-21	2100364.00				2100364.00	Note-6 Other Current Liabilities
2021-22	2100364.00				2100364.00	Note-7 Other Current Liabilities
2022-23	2100364.00				2100364.00	Note-7 Other Current Liabilities
2023-24	2100364.00				2100364.00	Note-7 Other Current Liabilities
2024-25	2100364.00	2100364.00	Note-7 Other Current Liabilities			

Note:

1. The Schedule VI (Revised) of Companies Act 1956, introduced during

financial year 2011-12 and accordingly the liability has been regrouped and shown in the Column no.6.

2. Since financial year 2011-12 & up to 2024-25, the position has been shown as one data for re-grouped EMD liabilities in column number 2 & 6.

3. From the year prior to financial year 2011-12, the EMD liabilities which were shown under different heads of current liability of the respective annual accounts, have been grouped to show cause as combined figure comparable to the position shown in 2011-12 onwards.

4. From the above statement it is visible that, the EMD liability were a running account, the balance were reduced due to releases to the exporters, forfeiture of EMD amount as per Garment Exporter Entitlement Policy (GEEP) and deposit to the Govt. The releases were made in the form of release of FDR submitted by the exporters and Cheques issued as changed from the EMD accounts on the specific approval of QAA, the enhancement of balance are due to encashment of EMD FDR held with the Council.

5. The QAA, was appointed for residual Quota entitlement Policy w.e.f. 01.01.2005. The QAA's were Sh. R. Subrahmanyam, IAS w.e.f. 20.07.2005,

Sh. AN Sharan w.e.f. 03.01.2006, Sh. Vimal Kirti Singh w.e.f. 28.05.2008, Mrs. Madhavi Das w.e.f. 11.08.2011, Sh. Puneet Kumar w.e.f. 06.12.2013, Sh. Ram Singh w.e.f. 02.06.2016, Mrs. Jaya Dubey w.e.f.04.05.2018 and Mr. Balram Kumar w.e.f 11.03.2019. During the period where there was no QAA appointed by the Ministry, the Quota residuary matters were dealt with the approval of JS (Exports), MoT. Directly.

(Since Tally is available from this period only). Manual data is available even for the period prior to 1994-95 on this account). This may further be seen that the annual reports were approved by Director General, AEPC / Quota Administering Authority, a Government Nominee, who themselves on one hand kept the amount under liability side and on the other hand, invested AEPC money in banks for earning interest for AEPC. DG / QAA kept a very good separate record of EMD / BG amount forfeited in complete compliance of Quota Policy and accordingly remitted the forfeited amounts along-with interest earned on forfeited amount to AO-Ministry of Textiles for onward submission to PDA / CFI.

S.No	FY	Annual Report approved by DG/QAA & Govt. Nominee
1	1994-95	Shri H V Lalringa, IAS
2	1995-96	Shri H V Lalringa, IAS
3	1996-97	Shri H V Lalringa, IAS
4	1997-98	Shri H V Lalringa, IAS
5	1998-99	Shri Rajiv Takru, IAS
6	1999-2000	Shri Rajiv Takru, IAS
7	2000-01	Shri Rajiv Takru, IAS
8	2001-02	Shri Sudhir Bhargava, IAS
9	2002-03	Shri S B Mathur, IAS
10	2003-04	Shri S B Mathur, IAS

In the period prior to FY 1994-95, Director General – AEPC were JS level Govt. nominees viz Shri I J S Khurana, IAS (1986, 1987), Shri P R Kaushik, IAS (1988-89), Shri J N Chaubey, IAS (1989-90), Smt. Neerja Rajkumar, IAS (1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93), Shri H V Lalringa, IAS (1993-94). Further, for the FY 2013-14, the then QAA & SG, AEPC vide Note Sheet dated 26.08.2014 approved signing of the balance sheet, income and expenditure account along-with notes to the financial statement by Addl. Secretary General, AEPC. In view of above annual reports right from the beginning, the Council has portrayed a correct statement having material particular with regard to maintenance of the books of accounts from time to time.

The Accounting Standard 1 prescribed by Institute of Chartered Accountant has been adopted by the Companies Act 1956 as well as of 2013. The AEPC's books of account have been maintained as per Accounting Standard 1 right from beginning till 2020-21 since there are no changes. Therefore, the annual reports, notes, financial statements, balance sheets and income & expenditure statements have prepared in complete compliance to Accounting Standard 1 of Institute of Chartered Account which has been approved by the Companies Act 1956. The interest earned by the Council as invested by the DG, QA & Government Nominee were correctly shown as the income of AEPC by the previous DG/QAA as per the details given above and were maintained in the subsequent period up to the period 2020-

21 clearly demonstrating the income so arrived in the books of account and particularly Rs.214.44 Cr. belongs to AEPC and has been correctly shown in the annual reports for the respective years. As per the reconciliation of AEPC account by CCA, the expenditure shown is much in excess of Rs.214.44 Cr. Further, Principal Accounts Office, Ministry of Commerce & Textiles, Internal Audit Wing, New Delhi has also confirmed vide communication dated 26-28.09.2019 that reconciliation report on single account of AEPC for the period 1.04.78 to 31.3.17 conducted during 09.07.2018 to 20.07.2018 at AEPC, Gurgaon, submitted vide letter no. IAW/TEX/AEPC/10(54)/2017-18/195 dated 31.07.2018 was not an audit report. Therefore, the letters written by AEPC to Secretary (Textiles) under copy of CCA that the demand letter of Rs.214.44 Cr. and Rs.17.42 Cr. may be withdrawn is a correct stand, the matter under which is sub-judice.

3) Indian Audit and Accounts Department (IAAD) of Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) has conducted audit u/s 14 of the DPC Act 1971 for the years 2003-04 to 2011-12 and then subsequently for 2012-13. Further, the office of the Chief Controller of Accounts (CCA), Ministry of Textiles (MoT) also carried out an internal audit for the year 2003-04 to 2014-15 special emphasis on the Government Grants. The IAAD and CCA as a routine procedure issued audit memos as per GFR with regards to non/partially compliances of certain guidelines, tendering process and other

observations, which have been responded by the Council forthwith.

CAG has concluded its finding on pointing out procedural lapse in tendering and for non-following of the GFR in reducing the rent of one of its premises in the earlier years, resulted in to a notational financial loss of Rs. 17.42 crore. The matter was referred to the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), the PAC in its 129th report dated 19.12.2018 has reported flawed tendering and bidding process and undue post contractual benefits to a private party. PAC have also recommended, that the interest on EMD may be deposited in Government Accounts in time bound manner. Based on PAC's report & CCA's recommendation, the MoT has written letter no.8/1/2016-EP (Pt-I) dated 31 October 2018 and reminder letter no. 8/1/2016-EP dated 14 January 2019 directing AEPC to deposit entire interest amount of Rs. 214.44 crore and Rs. 17.42 crore being the amount of revenue loss in the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI).

The Council represented and has replied to the matter clarifying that, the interest of Rs. 214.44 crore is entire bank interest earned by the Council since inception till March 2016 from all the funds with the Council and not only from EMD, the Council have further clarified that interest on EMD is not payable to the Government as per GEE Policy. The Council also represented and has replied that there is no loss in letting out the premises as the fixation of rent was approved by the competent authority.

AEPC filed writ before the Hon'ble Court at Delhi, challenging the legality and validity of the demand raised by the Ministry of Textiles for Rs 214.44 crores and Rs. 17.42 crores through letter dated 31.10.2018 and 14.01.2019, and prayed to issue a writ of Mandamus and/or appropriate directions in the nature of writ thereby quashing/setting aside the Impugned letters dated 31.10.2018 and 14.01.2019 issued by the Ministry of Textiles, where the Court on 24th May, 2019 & 19.08.2019 has issued notice to show cause as to why the petition be not admitted and stayed the recovery till next date of hearing. Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 19.08.2019 has further stayed the demand raised by Ministry of Textiles, till next date of hearing.

Council has also filed the writ petition before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, regarding the applicability of the CAG Audit upon AEPC and to set aside the findings/observations/directions of PAC based upon the CAG report. The matter is under Sub-judice.

4) Ministry of Textiles vide its letter no. 8/4/2015-EP dated 09th October 2015, read with letter No. 13/04/2015-EP dated 25th August 2015, communicated to the Council to deposit in the Consolidated Fund of India rent proceeds of Rs. 62,56,00,000/- for the period from the year 2006-2007 till 31.03.2015 earned from certain rented premises of Council. The Council represented and has replied to the matter clarifying that renting of premises is a bonafide activity of the Council and further, rent of Rs.

43,19,00,000 was earned from premises acquired with no Government Grant, and rent of Rs.19,37,00,000 was from bonafide activities as per its objects and Articles of Association and in line with original terms of usage of the premises.

5) A Member has filed a petition against the Council with Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal u/s 397, 398, 402, 403 & 406 of Companies Act 1956 for oppression and mis-management.

The entire allegation made by the petitioner, is based upon the CAG audit report. The Council has strongly opposed the matter and represented the case before the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal. The matter is under Sub-judice.

Ministry of Corporate affairs has also filed an application under Section 242(2)(k), 246 read with 339 of the Companies Act 2013 before the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal in the above referred matter, that the Executive Committee of AEPC be suspended, in terms of provisions of Section 242(2)(k) and 15 (fifteen) persons be appointed as directors, to manage the affairs of the AEPC and such directors may report to Hon'ble Tribunal on such matters as it may direct.

The Council is strongly opposed the above stand taken by the MCA and has already submitted the reply against the MCA application giving the brief facts and correspondences. The matter is under Sub-judice.

6) Annexure to the financial statements

i.e notes on accounts, are also part of the Executive Committee's report and may also be referred.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Executive Committee of AEPC express their sincere gratitude for the cooperation, assistance and support extended to the Apparel Industry by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Giriraj Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Textiles, Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Commerce & Industry, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Shri Pabitra Margherita, Hon'ble Minister of State in the Ministry of Textiles, Shri Jitin Prasada, Hon'ble Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Shri Sanjay Malhotra, Reserve Bank of India Governor, Shri Rajesh Agrawal, Secretary of Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Secretary of Ministry of Textiles, Ms. Neelam Shami Rao.

The apparel industry is thankful to the Government for signing Free Trade Agreements with the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) and the India–UK Free Trade Agreement. These agreements are expected to significantly boost India's apparel exports by providing preferential market access and neutralizing the advantages earlier enjoyed by competing nations under GSP and other trade arrangements. We remain confident that the Government will soon conclude FTA negotiations with other key markets such as the United States, the European Union, New Zealand, Oman, etc.

The Executive Committee also expresses its gratitude to Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, Shri Asit Gopal, AS&FA, Ministry of Textiles, Shri A. Bipin Menon, Trade Advisor, Ministry of Textiles, Smt. M. Beena (IAS), Textile Commissioner, Smt. Padmini Singla, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, Shri Rajinder Kumar, Economic Advisor, and other senior officials of the Government, who extended their continuous support in the furtherance of Apparel exports from India.

The Committee also thanked and expressed its deep appreciation for the assistance, cooperation and support extended by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Textiles Commissioner, DGFT, NITI Aayog, Textiles Committee, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, Directorate General of Analytics & Risk Management and other officers of the Government of India for promotion of export of readymade garments to various countries.

The Executive Committee appreciated and thanked Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman-AEPC, for his total commitment and unstinted hard work & efforts made towards the cause of the Apparel Export Industry.

The Committee appreciated the work and support extended by Dr. A Sakthivel, Vice Chairman and members of the Sub Committees & their Chairmen i.e. Shri Naren Goenka, Chairman, Advisory Sub-committee, Shri Premal H Udani, Chairman, Export Promotion Committee,

Shri H K L Magu, Chairman, Finance & Budget Sub-committee, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, Staff Sub Committee, Shri Lalit Thukral, Incharge (Regional Committee, Northern Region), Shri Ashok Rajani, Incharge (Regional Committee, Western Region) Shri Anil Buchasia, Incharge (Regional Committee, Eastern Region), Shri R Ramu, Incharge (Regional Committee, Southern Region), Shri Rakesh Vaid, Chairman, Apparel House Management Sub-committee, Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman Empowered Committee.

The Executive Committee is deeply appreciative of the enthusiasm, initiative, hard work and dedicated efforts of all the officers and staff of the Council under the guidance of Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General of the Council, without which the achievement of goals would not have been possible.

The Executive Committee of the Council also thanked the members who have continued to repose their faith and trust in the management of the Council. The continued support, guidance and co-operation given by the trade in various fields have helped in meeting the goals set forth for the Apparel Industry.

For and on behalf of Executive Committee

(SUDHIR SEKHRI)
Chairman, AEPC
DIN: 00109894

Place: Gurugram
Date: 01-12-2025

Form No. AOC-2

(Pursuant to clause (h) of sub-section (3) of section 134 of the Act and Rule 8(2) of the Companies(Accounts) Rules, 2014)

Form for disclosure of particulars of contracts/arrangements entered into by the company with related parties referred to in sub-section (1) of section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 including certain arm's length transactions under third proviso thereto:

1. Details of contracts or arrangements or transactions not at Arm's length basis.

SL. No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name (s) of the related party & nature of relationship	NIL
2.	Nature of contracts/arrangements/transaction	NIL
3.	Duration of the contracts/arrangements/transaction	NIL
4.	Salient terms of the contracts or arrangements or transaction including the value, if any	NIL
5.	Justification for entering into such contracts or	NIL
6.	Date of approval by the Board	NIL
7.	Amount paid as advances, if any	NIL
8.	Date on which the special resolution was passed in General meeting as required under first proviso to section 188	NIL

2. Details of contracts or arrangements or transactions at Arm's length basis.

SL. No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name (s) of the related party & nature of relationship	NIL
2.	Nature of contracts/arrangements/transaction	NIL
3.	Duration of the contracts/arrangements/transaction	NIL
4.	Salient terms of the contracts or arrangements or transaction including the value, if any	NIL
5.	Date of approval by the Board	NIL
6.	Amount paid as advances, if any	NIL

Date : 01-12-2025
Place: Gurugram

By Order of Executive Committee
For Apparel Export Promotion Council

(SUDHIR SEKHRI)
Chairman
DIN: 00109894

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2025

(Pursuant to the provisions of section 197 (12) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with rules 5(2) and 5(3) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Amendment Rules, 2016)

S.No.	Particulars	Mr. Mithileshwar Thakur	Mr. Jagdish Singh Rana	Mr. Soundararajan Harikrishnan	Mr. Kundan Srivastava	Mr. Sanjay Kumar Dudeja	Mr. Praveen Kukreja	Mr. C Eswarasundar	Mr. Manoj Kumar	Ms. Neelam Seth	Mr. K Haridas
1	Name of the employee	Mr. Mithileshwar Thakur	Mr. Jagdish Singh Rana	Mr. Soundararajan Harikrishnan	Mr. Kundan Srivastava	Mr. Sanjay Kumar Dudeja	Mr. Praveen Kukreja	Mr. C Eswarasundar	Mr. Manoj Kumar	Ms. Neelam Seth	Mr. K Haridas
2	Designation of the employee	Secretary General	Addl. Director (O)	Director	Sr. Director	Addl. Director	Joint Director	Addl. Director	Joint Director	Joint Director	Deputy Director (O)
3	Remuneration received (Rs.)	45,49,553	39,64,449	33,73,052	32,83,008	29,58,183	27,71,418	25,74,145	25,27,047	25,22,247	23,89,540
4	Nature of employment, whether contractual or otherwise	Contractual employee	Regular employee	Regular employee	Contractual employee	Regular employee	Regular employee	Regular employee	Regular employee	Regular employee	Regular employee
5	Qualifications and experience of the employee	B.Tech. / 39 years	B.A. / 38 years	B.Sc. / 32 years	B.Com, FCA, LLB / 21 years	B.A., NTC Steno (Eng), MBA-HR / 37 years	B.A. / 39 years	M.Com. / 36 years	B.Com., PGDPMIR / 33 years	M.A. / 32 years	B.A. / 32 years
6	Date of commencement of employment	20.02.2023	25.10.1993	24.01.1994	20.02.2007	21.02.1992	06.10.1993	01.10.1990	22.02.1993	23.02.1993	28.04.1992
7	The age of such employee (as on 31.03.2025)	62 years	61 years	54 years	50 years	56 years	58 years	58 years	52 years	54 years	60 years
8	Date of birth	02.09.1962	09.04.1964	03.06.1971	08.07.1974	20.04.1969	17.08.1966	01.06.1966	01.05.1972	24.02.1971	30.04.1964

9	The last employment held by such employee before joining the company	1989 batch of Civil Services (India Trade Service) and last assignment was as Additional Director General in the Department of Commerce, Ministry of commerce and Industry, Government of India	M/s. Haryana Breweries Ltd., New Delhi	M/s. Sita World Travel (India) Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	M/s. Elite Stock Management Ltd., Delhi	M/s. Frontier Tech Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon	Shri Mool Chand Kharaiti Ram Hospital & Ayurvedic Research Institute, New Delhi	Indo Dynamics (P) Ltd., New Delhi	M/s. Graphite India Ltd., New Delhi	M/s. Transport Corp. of India Ltd, Delhi	M/s. Delhi Automobiles, New Delhi
10	The percentage of equity shares held by the employee in the company within the meaning of clause (iii) of sub-rule (2) above and	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
11	Whether any such employee is a relative of any director or manager of the company and if so, name of such director or manager	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	Remarks (Retired / Relieved on)	-	30.04.2024 (Retired)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.04.2024 (Retired)

APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

Independent Auditor's Report

on the Financial Statements for the financial year ended March 31, 2025

TO THE MEMBERS OF

APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

1. We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Apparel Export Promotion Council** ("the Council/ Company"), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2025, the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Cash Flow Statement for the year then ended, and notes to financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (hereinafter referred to as "the Financial Statements").
2. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting standards prescribed under section 133 of the Act, read with the Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 and Companies (Accounting Standard) Rules, 2021, as amended, and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Council as at March 31, 2025, and its Deficit and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Basis for Opinion

3. We conducted our audit of the financial statements in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified under section 143(10) of the Act. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the '*Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*' section of our report. We are independent of the Council in accordance with the 'Code of Ethics' issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Act and the Rules there under, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.

Material uncertainty related to going concern.

4. We draw attention to Note 23.1 (b) to the accompanying financial statements, which states that the Council has filed writ before Hon'ble Delhi High Court to challenge legality and validity of demands raised by Ministry of Textiles ("MoT"). The note further elaborates on challenging by the Council, the applicability of CAG Audit and other developments during the period under audit. As stated in the said note, such demands against the Council that may, if successful, result in Council's liabilities significantly exceeding its assets. As the matter is under judicial consideration, the Council believes no adjustment is presently required and the financial statements have been prepared ongoing concern basis.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Emphasis of matter

5. We draw attention to
 - a. Note 23.1 (a) to the accompanying financial statements, regarding letter received by the Council from the MoT, to deposit the rent proceeds of Rs. 6,256 lakhs of certain rented premises of the Council and the management's assessment of the pending outcome.
 - b. Note 23.1 (b) to the accompanying financial statements, stating details of letters received by the Council from the MoT to deposit interest amount as earned by the Council on Earnest Money Deposits from Exporters amounting to Rs. 21,444 lakhs and Rs. 1,742 lakhs being the amount of revenue loss, in the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI). As explained in the stated Note, the Council has filed writ before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court challenging the validity of the demands raised by the MoT. The note further elaborates on challenging the applicability of CAG Audit and other developments during the period under audit. The matter is presently under judicial consideration.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.

Information other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

6. The Council's Executive Committee / Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Executive Committee's Report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the

audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. When we read the Executive Committee's Report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to Those Charged with Governance.

Responsibilities of Management and Those charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

7. The Council's Executive Committee / Management is responsible for the matters stated in Section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the Council in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the Accounting Standards specified under section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 and Companies (Accounting Standard) Rules, 2021, as amended and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Council and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
8. In preparing the financial statements, Council's Executive Committee/Management is responsible for assessing the Council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Council or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.
9. Those charged with governance are also responsible for overseeing the Council's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

10. Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if,

individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

11. As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:
 - ◆ Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
 - ◆ Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143 (3) (i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Council has adequate internal financial controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
 - ◆ Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
 - ◆ Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Council's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Council to cease to continue as a going concern.
 - ◆ Evaluate the overall presentation, structure, and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
12. Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect

of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.

13. We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.
14. We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

15. As required by the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 ("the Order") issued by the Central Government of India in terms of sub-section (11) of Section 143 of the Act, is not applicable in terms of clause 1(2) (iii) of the Order; as the Council is a company registered under section 25 of Companies Act, 1956 and now existing under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, limited by guarantee.
16. As required by Section 143 (3) of the Act, we report that:
 - (a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
 - (b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Council so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
 - (c) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Cash Flow Statement dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
 - (d) In our opinion, the aforesaid financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 and Companies (Accounting Standard) Rules, 2021, as amended.
 - (e) The matters described in 'Material uncertainty related to going concern' paragraph and 'Emphasis of Matter' paragraph above, if those are finally decided against the Council, in our opinion, may have adverse effect on the functioning of the Council.
 - (f) On the basis of the written representations received from the members of the Council's Executive Committee (i.e. directors) as on March 31, 2025 taken on record by the Council's Executive Committee, none of the member / directors is disqualified as on March 31, 2025 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 (2) of the Act.

- (g) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls over financial reporting of the Council and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate Report in “**Annexure A**”.
- (h) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, issued by the Central Government of India in terms of clause (j) of sub-section(3) of section of 143 of Company Act,2013 as amended in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, we report that:
 - i) The Council has disclosed the impact of pending litigations on its financial position in its financial statements - Refer Note 23 to 25 the accompanying financial statements.
 - ii) The Council did not have any long-term contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any material foreseeable losses.
 - iii) There were no amounts which were required to be transferred, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Council.
 - iv)
 - (a) The Management has represented that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Council to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entity (“Intermediaries”), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Council (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;
 - (b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by the Council from any person or entity, including foreign entity (“Funding Parties”), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Council shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;
 - (c) Based on the audit procedures that have been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-

clause (i) and (ii) of Rule 11(e), as provided under (a) and (b) above, contain any material misstatement.

- v) The Council is limited by guarantee and does not have any share capital. Accordingly reporting under Rule 11(f), related to proposing / declaring / payment of dividend, is not applicable to the Council.
- vi) Based on our examination, which included test checks, the Company has used accounting software for maintaining its books of account for the financial year ended March 31, 2025 which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility in respect of the application and the same has operated throughout the year for all relevant transactions recorded in the software. Further, during the course of our audit we did not come across any instance of the audit trail feature being tampered with and the audit trail has been preserved by the Company as per the statutory requirements for the record retention.

17. With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the requirements of section 197(16) of the Act, as amended:

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the provisions of section 197 read with schedule V to the Companies Act, 2013 are not applicable to the Council.

Place: Gurgaon

Date: September 4, 2025

For SCV & Co. LLP
Chartered Accountants
Firm Regn. No. 000235N/N500089
(ANUJ DHINGRA)
Partner
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Annexure-A to Independent Auditors' Report

Referred to in Paragraph 16(g) of the Independent Auditors' Report of even date to the members of **Apparel Export Promotion Council** on the Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2025.

Report on the Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 (“the Act”)

We have audited the internal financial controls over financial reporting of **Apparel Export Promotion Council** (“the Council”), as of March 31, 2025 in conjunction with our audit of the financial statements of the Council for the year ended on that date.

Management's Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls

The Council's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Council considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to Council's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's internal financial controls over financial reporting based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting (the “Guidance Note”) and the Standards on Auditing, issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and deemed to be prescribed under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls, both applicable to an audit of Internal Financial Controls and, both issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls over financial reporting was

established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Council's internal financial controls system over financial reporting.

Meaning of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting

A Council's internal financial control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A Council's internal financial control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Council; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Council are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Council; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the Council's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Council has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at March 31, 2025, based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Council considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

Place: Gurgaon

Date: September 4, 2025

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APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
<u>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES :</u>			
Member' Funds			
Reserves and surplus	2	15,317.95	15,408.75
Sub-Total		<u>15,317.95</u>	<u>15,408.75</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Other Long term liabilities	3	332.80	339.57
Long-term provisions	4	393.01	377.60
Sub-Total		<u>725.81</u>	<u>717.17</u>
Current liabilities			
Short Term borrowings	5	-	-
Trade payables	6		
a) Total Outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises, and		5.97	6.24
b) Total Outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises		226.91	185.58
Other current liabilities	7	2,057.09	2,247.66
Short-term provisions	8	1,414.18	1,441.47
Sub-Total		<u>3,704.15</u>	<u>3,880.95</u>
Total		<u>19,747.91</u>	<u>20,006.87</u>
<u>ASSETS :</u>			
Non-current assets			
Property, Plan and Equipment & Intangible Assets	9		
Property, Plan and Equipment	9(A)	4,290.35	4,473.43
Intangible assets	9(B)	7.10	10.33
Intangible assets work in Progress	9(C)	4.63	-
Long-term loans and advances	10	1,632.78	1,510.04
Other non-current assets	11	1,396.79	298.28
Sub-Total		<u>7,331.65</u>	<u>6,292.08</u>
Current assets			
Trade receivables	12	374.85	328.81
Cash and Cash Equivalents	13	399.36	531.35
Other Bank Balances	13A	9,476.48	10,111.69
Short-term loans and advances	14	1,276.85	1,293.99
Other current assets	15	888.72	1,448.94
Sub-Total		<u>12,416.26</u>	<u>13,714.79</u>
Total		<u>19,747.91</u>	<u>20,006.87</u>

Significant accounting policy and notes -1, 23 to 41

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

As per our report of even date

For SCV & Co LLP
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Place : Gurugram
Dated : 04-Sep-2025

APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	Year ended March 31, 2025	Year ended March 31, 2024
<u>INCOME :</u>			
Income from operations	16	1,957.29	2,538.74
Other income	17	2,422.21	2,470.21
Total Income		4,379.50	5,008.95
<u>EXPENSES :</u>			
Employee benefits expense	18	1,452.72	1,495.83
Finance costs	19	3.27	4.60
Depreciation and amortization expense	20	155.14	168.27
Other expenses	21	2,823.95	3,906.92
Total Expenses		4,435.08	5,575.62
Surplus before tax		(55.58)	(566.67)
Tax expense			
Current year		-	-
Earlier Years		-	-
Total tax expenses		-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(55.58)	(566.67)

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APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Cash Flow Statement for the year ended March 31, 2025

Particulars	Note No.	Year ended March 31, 2025	Year ended March 31, 2024
A. Cash Flow From Operating Activities :			
Net Surplus for the year Before Tax		(55.58)	(566.67)
<i>Adjustment For :</i>			
Depreciation/ Amortisation		155.14	168.27
(Profit)/Loss On Sale of Property, Plant & Equipments		(2.33)	(9.89)
Sundry Credit Balance Written Back		(0.02)	(1.56)
Provision no Longer Required Written Back		(58.35)	(4.77)
Provision for Doubtful Debts / Advances (Net)		-	-
Interest Income		(825.77)	(870.82)
Interest Expenses		0.97	1.23
Operating Income Before Working Capital Changes		<u>(785.95)</u>	<u>(1,284.21)</u>
<i>Changes in Working Capital:</i>			
(Increase)/Decrease In Trade Receivables		(46.04)	(106.59)
(Increase)/Decrease In Loans & Advances and Other Assets		457.60	702.92
Increase/(Decrease) In Trade Payables and other Liabilities		<u>(109.79)</u>	<u>165.59</u>
Cash Generated From Operations		(484.18)	(522.30)
Income Tax Paid (Net Of Income Tax Refund)		<u>(122.74)</u>	<u>(251.84)</u>
Net Cash From Operating Activities (A)		<u>(606.91)</u>	<u>(774.14)</u>
B. Cash Flows From Investing Activities			
Purchase of Fixed Assets (Property, Plant and Equipments, including Intangibles & CWIP)		(15.78)	(15.17)
Proceeds From Sale of Property, Plant and Equipments, including Intangibles & CWIP		2.53	10.72
Interest Received		946.54	667.81
Maturity/(Investment) Of Bank Deposits		<u>(465.29)</u>	<u>182.02</u>
Net Cash (Used) / Raised From Investing Activities (B)		<u>468.50</u>	<u>845.37</u>
C. Cash Flow From Financing Activities			
Entrance Fee Received		6.89	6.32
Short Term Borrowing		-	
Interest Expenses		<u>(0.97)</u>	<u>(1.23)</u>
Net Cash Used In Financing Activities (C)		<u>6.42</u>	<u>5.09</u>
Net Increase In Cash & Cash Equivalents (A+B+C)		(131.99)	76.33
Cash & Cash Equivalents As At 31.03.2024 (Refer Note 13 for components of Cash & Cash Equivalents)		531.35	455.02
Cash & Cash Equivalents As At 31.03.2025 (Refer Note 13 for components of Cash & Cash Equivalents)		399.36	531.35

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT :

- 1 The above Cash Flow Statement has been prepared under the indirect method set out in Accounting Standard 3 "Cash Flow Statement"
- 2 Figures in brackets indicate cash outflow and without brackets indicate cash inflow.

Significant accounting policy and notes -1, 23 to 41

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

As per our report of even date

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APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
Note 2: Reserves & Surplus		
Capital Contribution Reserve		
[Amount represents Grant received from "Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council", as corpus at the time of incorporation of the Council]		
Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year	42.00	42.00
Building Reserve *		
Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year	3,297.00	3,297.00
Building Repairs Replacement Reserve		
Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year	500.00	500.00
Capital Asset Reserve - Government Grant		
a) Non Depreciable Assets		
Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year	1,295.94	1,295.94
b) Depreciable Assets		
Balance as per the last financial statements	631.93	677.32
Less: Transferred/ Adjusted during the year	-	-
Less: Depreciation provided during the year	42.11	45.39
Sub-Total - Balance at the end of the year	589.82	631.93
Members' Entrance Fees Reserve		
Balance as per the last financial statements	757.10	750.78
Add: Received during the year	6.89	6.32
Sub-Total - Balance at the end of the year	763.99	757.10
Capital Assets Fund/Accumulation U/s 11(2)		
Balance as per the last financial statements	-	-
Less: Utilised and Transferred to Surplus in Income & Expenditure	-	-
Sub-Total - Balance at the end of the year	-	-
Surplus in the statement of Income & Expenditure		
Balance as per the last financial statements	8,884.78	9,451.45
Add: Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(55.58)	(566.67)
Add: Transferred from Capital Assets Fund	-	-
Net Surplus in the statement of Income & Expenditure	8,829.20	8,884.78
Total reserves and surplus	15,317.95	15,408.75

*The Council is registered under section 12AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961. To meet the regulatory compliance of section 12A, the amount represented by 'Building Reserve' represents the application of the surplus of funds for the objective of the Council.



APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
<u>Note 3: Other Long term liabilities</u>		
Security deposit -Office Premises	285.99	282.24
OTS Premium payable	2.16	2.16
Advance Received for Subscription	44.65	55.17
Total	332.80	339.57
<u>Note 4: Long-term provisions</u>		
<u>Provision for employee benefits</u>		
Medical Leave Encashment	60.65	60.52
Earned Leave Encashment	332.36	300.82
Gratuity	-	16.26
Total	393.01	377.60
<u>Note 5: Short-term borrowings</u>		
Cash Credit/Other Loan Payable on demand from bank (Secured)*	-	-
Total	-	-

*Cash Credit /Other Loan payable on demand from bank are secured by creating a lien on Fixed Deposit with Bank

APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

	Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)					
Particulars	As at March 31, 2025			As at March 31, 2024		

Note 6: Trade payable

Particulars	Unbilled	Less than 1 Year	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	More than 3 Years	Total
(i) MSME	-	5.97	-	-	-	5.97
(ii) Others	-	216.74	0.17	3.92	6.08	226.91
(iii) Disputed Dues-MSME	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed Dues-Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	222.71	0.17	3.92	6.08	232.88

	Unbilled	Less than 1 Year	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	More than 3 Years	Total
	-	6.24	9.90	0.50	-	16.64
	-	149.63	-	-	25.55	175.18
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	155.87	9.90	0.50	25.55	191.82

Information in terms of Section 22 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006

Details of dues to Micro and Small Enterprises as per MSMED Act, 2006	31st March, 2025	31st March, 2024
The principal amount due thereon remaining unpaid to any supplier as at the end of each accounting year.	5.97	6.24
The interest amount due but not paid.	-	-
The amount of interest paid by the buyer in terms of section 16, of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 along with the amounts of the payments made to the supplier beyond the appointment day during each	-	-
The amount of interest due and payable for the period of delay in making payment (which have been paid but beyond the appointed day during the year) but without adding the interest specified under Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.	-	-
The amount of interest accrued and remaining unpaid at the end of each accounting year.	-	-
The amount of further interest remaining due and payable even in the succeeding years, until such date when the interest dues as above are actually paid to the small enterprises for the purpose of disallowance as a deductible expenditure under Section 23 of the Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006	-	-

The list of undertaking covered under "Micro Small & Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006" was determined by council on the basis of information received by the council.



APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
Note 7: Other current liabilities		
<u>Statutory Liabilities:</u>		
- TDS Payable	18.86	17.89
- GST Payable	48.68	36.15
- PF Payable	17.58	16.48
- ESI Payable	0.01	0.01
- Other Tax Payable	0.24	0.27
Unutilised Grant received from Government (Refer Note 27)	14.67	22.09
MDA Fund for Exporter - Unutilised (Refer Note 28)	82.50	82.50
EMD PDC Forfeited-Dishonoured (Refer Note 24(b))	1,175.81	1,175.81
Penalties & EMD Forfeited (Refer Note 26)	113.15	102.53
Earnest Money Deposits	21.00	21.00
Security deposits	27.36	28.68
Security deposit -Office Premises	31.10	68.04
AEPC- Showroom Security Deposit Refundable	150.01	157.06
Advance Received for Subscription	130.94	113.03
Advance Received for Council Charges	18.87	19.94
Advance Received for Assessing Activities	8.95	6.28
Employee related payables	5.51	12.32
Other payables*	191.85	367.58
Total	2,057.09	2,247.66

*Other payable includes for Interest on EMD etc.

Note 8: Short-term provisions

Provision for employee benefits

Medical Leave Encashment	3.88	5.17
Earned Leave Encashment	23.71	23.79
Gratuity	26.59	52.51
Provision for Tax	-	-
Provision for Income Tax	1,275.00	1,275.00
Other Provisions	-	-
Provision for contingencies	85.00	85.00

Total	1,414.18	1,441.47
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APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)
Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Note 9: Property, Plant and Equipments

Note 9(A). TANGIBLE ASSETS

9(A)-I: Fixed Assets Purchased out of owned Funds

Particulars	Land#	Buildings* (Office Premises)	Plant & Machinery	Office Equipments	Electric Fitting	Furniture & Fixture	Vehicle	Computers	Books	Total
Original Cost-Gross Block										
At 1st April 2023	647.50	5,932.16	715.93	396.91	333.03	455.74	99.98	195.51	20.42	8,797.17
Additions (2023-24)	-	-	-	3.89	-	-	-	1.48	-	5.38
Disposal / Adjustment	-	-	-	6.25	0.11	0.12	15.20	2.50	-	24.17
At 31st March 2024	647.50	5,932.16	715.93	394.55	332.92	455.62	84.78	194.49	20.42	8,778.36
Additions (2024-25)	-	-	-	2.39	3.75	-	0.86	4.15	-	11.15
Disposal/ Adjustment	-	-	-	2.35	-	-	7.69	1.60	-	11.64
At 31st March 2025	647.50	5,932.16	715.93	394.59	336.67	455.62	77.95	197.04	20.42	8,777.88
Depreciation										
At 1st April 2023	-	3,932.34	687.43	385.61	329.51	450.43	94.58	189.90	20.22	6,090.02
Charge for the year 2023-24	-	147.87	7.30	5.53	0.20	0.36	1.94	2.93	-	166.13
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-	-	6.19	0.10	0.12	14.46	2.48	-	23.35
At 31st March 2024	-	4,080.21	694.73	384.95	329.60	450.68	82.07	190.36	20.22	6,232.82
Charge for the year 2024-25	-	136.78	5.31	3.89	0.52	0.18	1.14	4.08	-	151.91
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-	-	2.27	-	-	7.60	1.59	-	11.46
At 31st March 2025	-	4,217.00	700.04	386.56	330.13	450.86	75.61	192.85	20.22	6,373.27
Net Block										
At 31st March 2024	647.50	1,851.95	21.20	9.60	3.31	4.95	2.72	4.14	0.20	2,545.56
At 31st March 2025	647.50	1,715.16	15.89	8.03	6.54	4.76	2.34	4.19	0.20	2,404.61

* Includes part of the building given on operating lease whose cost and depreciation for the year & WDV at the end of the year is not segregated.

Includes leasehold land of Rs.1,12,40,778/-

APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Limited By Guarantee)

Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Note 9(A). TANGIBLE ASSETS (Cont..)

9(A)-II : Fixed Assets Purchased Against Grant Received from Government

Particulars	Land	Buildings* (Office Premises)	Plant & Machinery	Office Equipments	Electric Fitting	Furniture & Fixture	Vehicle	Computers	Books	Total
(a) ASSETS GIVEN ON LEASE										
Original Cost-Gross Block										
At 1st April 2023	-	365.89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	365.88
Additions (2023-24)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal / Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2024	-	365.89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	365.88
Additions (2024-25)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal/ Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2025	-	365.89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	365.89
Depreciation										
At 1st April 2023	-	317.86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	317.86
Charge for the year 2023-24	-	3.14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.14
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2024	-	321.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	321.00
Charge for the year 2024-25	-	2.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.93
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2025	-	323.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	323.93
Net Block										
At 31st March 2024	-	44.89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44.89
At 31st March 2025	-	41.96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41.96

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Note 9(A). TANGIBLE ASSETS (Cont..)

Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

9(A)-II : Fixed Assets Purchased Against Grant Received from Government (Cont..)

Particulars	Land	Buildings* (Office Premises)	Plant & Machinery	Office Equipments	Electric Fitting	Furniture & Fixture	Vehicle	Computers	Books	Total
(b) OTHER FIXED ASSETS										
Original Cost-Gross Block										
At 1st April 2023	1,295.93	2,660.52	825.24	473.30	746.17	306.12	-	640.13	-	6,947.41
Additions (2023-24)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal / Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2024	1,295.93	2,660.52	825.24	473.30	746.17	306.12	-	640.13	-	6,947.41
Additions (2024-25)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal/ Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2025	1,295.93	2,660.52	825.24	473.30	746.17	306.12	-	640.13	-	6,947.41
Depreciation										
At 1st April 2023	-	2,057.89	814.15	468.57	738.71	303.06	-	639.81	-	5,022.20
Charge for the year 2023-24	-	41.29	0.96	-	-	-	-	-	-	42.25
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2024	-	2,099.18	815.11	468.57	738.71	303.06	-	639.81	-	5,064.44
Charge for the year 2024-25	-	38.46	0.72	-	-	-	-	-	-	39.18
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31st March 2025	-	2,137.64	815.84	468.57	738.71	303.06	-	639.81	-	5,103.63
Net Block										
At 31st March 2024	1,295.93	561.34	10.13	4.73	7.46	3.06	-	0.32	-	1,882.97
At 31st March 2025	1,295.93	522.88	9.40	4.73	7.46	3.06	-	0.32	-	1,843.78
Grand Total- Depreciation										
Year ending March 31, 2024	-	6,500.39	1,509.84	853.52	1,068.31	753.73	82.06	830.16	20.22	11,618.24
Year ending March 31, 2025	-	6,678.56	1,515.88	855.13	1,068.84	753.92	75.60	832.67	20.22	11,800.83
* Includes part of the building given on operating lease whose cost and depreciation for the year & WDV at the end of the year is not segregated.										
Grand Total- Net Block										
At 31st March 2024	1,943.43	2,458.18	31.33	14.33	10.77	8.01	2.72	4.46	0.20	4,473.43
At 31st March 2025	1,943.43	2,280.00	25.29	12.76	14.00	7.82	2.34	4.51	0.20	4,290.35

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Note 9(B). INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Particulars	Computer Software	Total
<u>Original Cost-Gross Block</u>		
At 1st April 2023	47.31	47.31
Additions (2023-24)	9.80	9.80
Disposal / Adjustment	-	-
At 31st March 2024	57.11	57.11
Additions (2024-25)	-	-
Disposal/ Adjustment	-	-
At 31st March 2025	57.11	57.11
<u>Amortisation</u>		
At 1st April 2023	44.64	44.64
Charge for the year 2023-24	2.14	2.14
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-
At 31st March 2024	46.78	46.78
Charge for the year 2024-25	3.23	3.23
Deduction/ Adjustments	-	-
At 31st March 2025	50.01	50.01
<u>Net Block</u>		
At 31st March 2024	10.33	10.33
At 31st March 2025	7.10	7.10
<u>Note 9(C) INTAGIBLE ASSETS WORK IN PROGRESS</u>		
At 31st March, 2024		-
At 31st March, 2025		4.63

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Particulars	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
<u>Note 10 : Long-term loans and advances</u>		
(Unsecured, Considered good unless otherwise specified)		
Other loans and advances		
Advance income tax	1,632.78	1,510.04
Total	1,632.78	1,510.04
<u>Note 11 Other non-current assets</u>		
(Unsecured, Considered good unless otherwise specified)		
Security Deposits	34.08	34.07
Other Bank Balances - Fixed Deposit(Refer Note 13A)	1,100.00	-
Deposit with LIC	262.71	264.21
Total	1,396.79	298.28

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Particulars	As at March 31, 2025						As at March 31, 2024							
	Not Due	Less than 6 Months	6 Months-1 Years	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	More than 3 Years	Total	Not Due	Less than 6 Months	6 Months-1 Years	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	More than 3 Years	Total
Note 12: Trade receivables (Unsecured, Considered good unless otherwise specified)														
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables-Considered Good	-	206.24	147.17	15.35	2.11	3.98	374.85	-	186.24	114.80	23.53	0.42	3.82	328.81
(ii) Undisputed Trade Receivables-Considered Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	0.31	0.31	-	-	-	-	-	0.31	0.31
Less: Provision for Doubtful Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	(0.31)	(0.31)	-	-	-	-	-	(0.31)	(0.31)
(iii) Disputed Trade Receivables-Considered Good	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed Trade Receivables-Considered Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	6.00	6.00	-	-	-	-	-	6.00	6.00
Less: Provision for Doubtful Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	(6.00)	(6.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(6.00)	(6.00)
Total	-	206.24	147.17	15.35	2.11	3.98	374.85	-	186.24	114.80	23.53	0.42	3.82	328.81

***Receivables Outstanding include**

Dues from Company in which the company's Executive committee members are office bearers (Refer Note 38(c))

78.50

142.97

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Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
<u>Note 13: Cash and cash equivalents</u>			
Cash in Hand		-	-
Balances with banks:			
a) Current Accounts		-	-
b) Saving Accounts			
(i) General		220.24	266.36
(ii) Export Promotion Fund		42.78	33.48
(iii) Other Savings*		128.34	230.91
c) Deposits with original maturity of less than three months		8.00	0.60
Total		399.36	531.35

Note 13A: Other bank balances

On Council's Deposits

Balances with banks:

Deposits with original maturity of more than three months and less than twelve months, maturing within one year from the balance sheet date		350.00	-
Deposits with original maturity of more than twelve months, maturing within one year from the balance sheet date		10,226.48	10,111.69
Deposits with original maturity of more than twelve months, maturing beyond one year from the balance sheet date		-	-
		10,576.48	10,111.69
Less:			
Amount Disclosed as Non-current Asset (as per Note 11)		(1,100.00)	-
Total		9,476.48	10,111.69

* Others saving includes MAI ,RDLWF account ,earmarked specifically for usage as per government directions.



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Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2025	As at March 31, 2024
Note 14: Short-term loans and advances		
(Unsecured, Considered good unless otherwise specified)		
Loans and advances to related parties	-	-
Other loans and advances		
Advance recoverable in cash or kind	34.03	29.73
Prepaid expenses	46.10	64.76
Balance with GST authorities	20.91	23.70
EMD PDC Recoverable (Refer Note 24(b))	-	-
a) Considered Good	-	-
b) Considered Doubtful	1,175.81	1,175.81
Total	1,276.85	1,293.99

Note 15 Other current assets

(Unsecured, Considered good unless otherwise specified)

Receivable from DGE&T - Ministry of Labour	80.68	114.72
Receivable from AEPC Gratuity Trust	-	29.86
Interest accrued on bank fixed deposits	499.31	620.58
Deposit with LIC	27.59	28.96
Grant Receivable (Refer Note No. 27)	627.24	-
Less: Provision for Doubtfull Recovery	435.69	564.20
Other Recievable*	89.59	90.62
Total	888.72	1,448.94

* Include recoverable from Ex-Secretory General Refer Note 25(c)

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Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	Year ended March 31, 2025	Year ended March 31, 2024
Note 16: Income from operations			
Membership Subscription		530.93	500.73
Council Fees		39.34	44.46
Revenue Grant from Government for export promotion expenses (Refer Note 22)		223.02	700.02
MAI Grant for Exporter		-	-
Other Operating Income (Refer Note 22)		1,164.00	1,293.53
Total		1,957.29	2,538.74
Note 17: Other income			
Interest income			
- Bank		789.56	849.44
- Others- From Tax Refund, LIC & Other #		36.21	21.38
Profit on sale of Property, Plant and Equipments		2.33	9.89
Rent		1,518.32	1,511.44
Participation Forfeiture (Refer Note 22)		1.60	39.99
Assessing Centre		-	1.41
Consultancy Received		1.51	-
Sundry credit balances no longer required written back		0.02	1.56
Other non-operating income including miscellaneous income		14.31	30.33
Provision no longer required written back		58.35	4.77
Amortisation of Government Grant for Depreciatble Assets [Capital Asset Reserve - Govt Grant]		42.11	45.39
Less:			
Amount adjusted from Depreciation on asset purchased against Grant Received from Government [Contra] (Refer Note 20)		(42.11)	(45.39)
Total		2,422.21	2,470.21
# Also includes interest earned on MDA Grant			
Note 18: Employee benefits expense			
Salaries, Wages and Allowances		1,231.35	1,213.98
Contribution to Provident and Other Funds		72.59	71.63
Gratuity & Leave Expenses		60.48	135.49
Employees Welfare Expenses		88.30	74.74
Total		1,452.72	1,495.83
Note 19: Finance costs			
Interest on Loan		-	0.32
Interest On Late Payment of Statutory dues		0.97	0.91
Bank Charges		2.30	3.37
Total		3.27	4.60



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Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	Year ended March 31, 2025	Year ended March 31, 2024
Note 20: Depreciation and Amortization Expense			
Depreciation of tangible assets:			
- on Fixed Assets Purchased out of own Funds		151.91	166.13
- on Fixed Assets Purchased Against Grant Received from Government		42.11	45.39
Amortization of intangible assets		3.23	2.14
		197.25	213.66
Less:			
Amount credited from Capital Asset Reserve - Government Grant, as utilised [Contra] (Refer Note 17)		42.11	45.39
Total		155.14	168.27

Note 21: Other expenses

Export Promotion Expenses (Refer Note 22)		1,773.44	2,464.01
MAI Grant Distributed to Exporter		-	-
Power and Fuel		124.37	107.88
Rent		-	-
Rates and taxes		50.85	39.27
Insurance		15.24	14.56
Meeting Expenses		127.05	64.54
Repair and maintenance - Buildings		91.86	4.24
Repair and maintenance - Plant & Machinery		32.94	36.80
Repair and maintenance - Others		120.67	173.18
Travelling, Conveyance and Vehicle expenses		20.86	16.71
Communication & Postage Expenses		14.65	12.84
Printing & Stationery Expenses		6.27	8.61
Legal & Professional Fees		303.98	146.43
Security Charges		48.53	48.65
Business Promotion		2.10	0.45
Courier & Forwarding Expenses		2.54	1.77
Advertising & Publicity		7.25	6.70
Auditors remuneration (Refer Note 30)		12.02	9.54
Prior period expenses (Refer Note 31)		1.73	0.17
Miscellaneous Expenses		13.28	9.96
Assessing Centre - MES Scheme		1.04	1.27
Provision For Doubtful Debts/ Receivables			580.92
Bad Debts/ Amount Receivable Written Off	198.51		145.23
Less: Provision For Doubtful Receivables , written back during the year	145.23	53.28	13.19
Commission & Brokerage Expenses		-	-
GST/TDS Receivables written off		-	-
Total		2,823.95	3,906.92

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Amount (Rupees In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	Year ended March 31, 2025	Year ended March 31, 2024
<u>Note 22: Export Promotion Expenses</u>			
<u>Overseas Expenses</u>			
Foreign Exhibition Expenses		1,475.13	2,007.05
Foreign Delegation Expenses		65.26	155.26
		-	-
<u>Domestic Fairs</u>			
Trade Fairs/Virtual Fairs		31.79	45.06
Tex Trends Fairs/IIGF/Reverse BSM/Bharat Tex		55.66	-
		-	-
		-	-
<u>Seminar & Workshop</u>		3.77	23.02
		-	-
<u>Other Export Promotion Expenses</u>			
Magazine & Publicity Material		9.82	8.30
Export Award Function		-	56.51
Collection and Compilation of Data for Duty Drawback		-	14.47
Financial Support for Kasturi Cotton		29.17	70.83
Others		102.84	83.51
TOTAL(1)		1,773.44	2,464.01
Less: Contribution Received			
Foreign Exhibition		1,077.67	1,252.50
<u>Domestic Fairs:</u>			
Reverse BSM/Virtual Fairs/Bharat Tex		64.40	-
		-	-
Others		21.93	11.16
Sponsorship from Export Award Function & Magic Fair		-	29.87
		1,164.00	1,293.53
Participation Forfeiture		1.60	39.99
<u>Revenue Grant from Government: (Refer note No.27)</u>			
For Overseas Events		223.02	700.02
TOTAL(2)		1,388.62	2,033.54
TOTAL(1-2)		384.82	430.47

Apparel Export Promotion Council (Limited by Guarantee)

Notes to financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025

Note No. 1

(A) COMPANY OVERVIEW:

Apparel Export Promotion Council (“the Company/Council”) is formed for promoting exports of readymade garments from India. It was registered under section 25 of Companies Act, 1956 and now existing under section 8 of the Company Act 2013, limited by guarantee.

(B) SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

1.1 Method of Accounting:

The financial statements of the company have been prepared under the historical cost convention on accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in India (Indian GAAP). The Company has prepared these financial statements to comply in all material respect with the notified accounting standards under section 133 of the Companies Act 2013, read together with paragraph 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 as amended. Accounting policies have been consistently applied by the company and are consistent with those used in the previous years.

1.2 Use of Estimates: The preparation of the financial statements requires the management to make judgment, estimates and assumptions that affects the reported amounts of

revenue, expenses, assets and liabilities (including contingent liabilities) as on the date of the financial statements and the reported income and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based upon events to the best knowledge of the management of current actions, actual results could differ from these estimates.

1.3 Property, Plant & Equipment & Depreciation:

a) Property, Plant & Equipment and Intangible assets are capitalized at cost inclusive of all expenses incurred in bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use.

b) Property, Plant & Equipment and Intangible assets are shown at historical cost less accumulated depreciation/amortization and impairment loss, if any.

c) The Council identifies and determines separate useful life of each major component of the Property, Plant & Equipment, if they have useful life that is materially different from that of the remaining asset as per Schedule II of the Companies Act, 2013.

d) Method of depreciation: - Reducing balance method of depreciation as per useful life prescribed in schedule II to the Companies Act, 2013 has been followed for the preparation and presentation of financial statements.

Fixed Assets are stated at cost of acquisition or construction less accumulated depreciation. Cost comprises of the purchase price, incidental expenses, erection/commissioning expenses and financial charges up to the date the fixed asset is ready for its intended use. Depreciation on assets purchased during the year is charged on a pro-rata basis for assets purchased during the year. Assets costing less than Rs. 5000 each are fully depreciated in the year of capitalization.

e) Rates of depreciation: - Depreciation on fixed assets has been provided on the basis of life prescribed under schedule II of Companies Act, 2013, except library books at the life of five years.

f) Residual Value: The residual value of the assets after its useful life is kept at 1% of the purchase value. The residual value of assets which already exhausted its useful life as at 31st March, 2014 and which is carrying in the books at Rs. 1/- is carried at Rs. 1/- only.

g) Fixed asset sold/discarded/transferred during the financial year: Pro-rata depreciation has been provided on fixed asset sold/discarded/transferred during the financial year.

1.4 Intangible Assets & Amortization:

a) Intangible Assets is stated at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment loss if any. Intangible Assets comprise of computer software.

b) Computer Software is amortized over a period of five years.

c) An amortization expense is charged on a pro-rata basis for assets purchased during the year. The appropriateness of the amortization period and the amortization method is reviewed at each financial year end.

1.5 Impairment of Assets.

The management periodically assesses using external and internal sources, whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. Impairment occurs where the carrying value exceeds the present value of future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of the asset and its eventual disposal. The impairment loss to be expensed is determined as the excess of the carrying amount.

1.6 Investments:

Long Term Investments are stated at cost. The cost of Investment includes acquisition charges and premium on acquisition of securities. The premium on purchases of long-term debt securities/bonds intended to be held up to maturity is amortized over the balance period up to date of maturity.

1.7 Revenue Recognition:

Income from operations including annual subscription received from members and revenue of the Council has been recognized on the basis of services provided, to the extent that it is probable that economic benefits will flow to the Council and the revenue can be reliably measured.

a) Assessment Income: For Skill Assessments under Skill Development Initiative (SDI) Scheme of Director General of Employment and Training (DGET).

* Modular Employable Skill (MES): Revenue is recognized on the basis of number of candidates assessed and the corresponding completion of stipulated condition of DGET (Directorate General of Employment and Training) and RDAT (Regional Directorate of Apprenticeship and Training).

* Non-Modular Employable Skill (Non-MES) & PMKVY: Revenue is recognized on the basis of number of candidates assessed.

b) Interest on staff loans is recognized in the financial year it becomes due or is realized.

c) Entrance fees received from new members/applicants registered during the financial year being a Capital Receipt is directly credited to Reserve.

d) Interest income is recognized on a time proportion basis taking into account the amount outstanding and the interest rate applicable.

e) Revenue from lease rentals is recognized in accordance with the terms of lease agreements entered with respective lessees.

1.8 Retirement & other Employee Benefits:

a) Contribution to defined contribution Plan such as Employees provident fund scheme, Employee State

Insurance, are charged to the Income and Expenditure Account as incurred. The contributions are made to a Government Administered Provident Fund & Employee State Insurance Corporation towards which the Council has no further obligations beyond its monthly contributions.

b) The Council also provides for Retirement/Post-Retirements benefits in the form of Gratuity and Leave Encashment. Such benefits are provided based on actuarial valuations, as at the Balance Sheet date made by independent actuary.

c) Terminations benefits & other short-term employee benefits are recognized as expenses as and when incurred.

1.9 Grants

a) Grants in the nature of revenue with specific conditions for utilization is recognized as income, to the extent actually spent during the financial year and amount not utilized is carried as current liability. Expenses incurred against sanctioned grants eligible as per prevailing Government policy; with reasonable certainty to be released, are shown as recoverable, where grants are yet to be disbursed.

b) Excess or Short receipt of Grant (if any) as against recoverable amount is recognized in the Income & Expenditure account in the year of its actual settlement/crystalized.

c) Grants in the nature of capital are transferred to Capital Assets Fund-

Government Grant to the extent of amount actually utilized and amount not utilized is carried as current liability.

d) Government grants related to depreciable assets are treated as deferred income which is recognized in the income and expenditure accounts on a systematic and rational basis over the useful life of the assets.

1.10 Foreign Exchange Transactions:

a) Foreign currency transactions are recorded using the exchange rates prevailing on the date of transaction.

b) Exchange difference arising on settlement/reinstatement are directly transferred to Income & Expenditure account.

c) Monetary assets and liability denominated in foreign currencies at the year-end are translated at the rates prevailing at the year end.

1.11 Taxation:

a) Tax expense for the year, comprising current tax and deferred tax is included in determining the net surplus/ (deficit) for the year.

b) Deferred tax is recognized for all deductible timing differences, deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

c) Deferred tax assets are recognized only to the extent there is reasonable certainty that the assets can

be realized in future; however, where there is unabsorbed depreciation or carry forward of losses, deferred tax assets are recognized only if there is a virtual certainty supported by convincing evidences of realization of such assets. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each balance sheet date and written-down or written-up to reflect the amount that is reasonable /virtually certain to be realized.

1.12 Provisions and Contingencies:

A provision is recognized when the Company has a present obligation as a result of past events and it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation in respect of which a reliable estimate can be made. Provisions are not discounted to their present value and are determined based on the best estimate required to settle the obligation as at the Balance Sheet date. These are reviewed at each Balance Sheet date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate.

Contingent liability is disclosed in the case of a present obligation arising from a past event when it is not probable that an out flow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation or a possible obligation, unless the probability of out flow in settlement is remote.

1.13 Lease Rent:

Where the Company is the lessee.

Leases where the lessor effectively retain substantially all the risks and benefits of

ownership of the leased item, are classified as operating leases. Operating lease payments are recognized as an expense in the Statement of Income & Expenditure on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Where the Company is the lessor.

Assets subject to operating leases are included in fixed assets. Lease income is recognized in the Statement of Income & Expenditure account on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Cost including depreciation is recognized as expenses in the Statement of Income & Expenditure. Initial direct costs such as legal costs, brokerage cost etc. are recognized immediately in the Statement of Income & Expenditure accounts.

1.14 Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents for the purposes of cash flow statements comprise cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits with an original maturity of three month or less.

1.15 Cash Flow Statement

The Cash Flow Statement has been prepared under the indirect method set out in Accounting Standard 3 "Cash Flow Statement".

1.16 Earnings Per Share

The Council is limited by guarantee and does not have any share capital therefore, disclosure as per AS-20 for Earning Per Share (EPS) is not applicable to the Council.

Note No. 23:

Contingent liabilities:

23.1 Claims against Council not acknowledged as debts;

a) The Ministry of Textiles vide its letter no. 8/4/2015-EP dated 09 October 2015 read with letter No. 13/04/2015-EP dated 25 August 2015, communicated to the Council to deposit in the Consolidated Fund of India rent proceeds of Rs. 6,256 Lakhs (Rs. 4,319 Lakhs and Rs. 1,937 Lakhs) for the period from the year 2006-2007 till 31.03.2015 earned from Non bonafied activities of subletting and leasing certain rented premises of Council. The Council has claimed that, these are bonafied activities as per its objects and Articles of Association and in line with original terms of usage of the premises and has represented vide letters dated 18th September, 2015 and 13th October, 2015 to the Ministry of Textiles (MoT). The Council has not received any further communication from the Ministry of Textiles. Ministry of Textiles has subsequently also given an approval for renting of some space in the Council's premises. Based on Council's representation with Ministry of Textiles, subsequent approval to rent and legal advice, no provision is considered necessary.

b) Indian Audit and Accounts Department (IAAD) of Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) had conducted audit u/s 14 of the DPC Act 1971 for the years 2003-04 to 2011-12 and then subsequently for 2012-13.

Further, the office of the Chief Controller of Accounts (CCA), Ministry of Textiles (MoT) also carried out an internal audit for the year 2003-04 to 2014-15 special emphasis on the Government Grants. The IAAD and CCA as a routine procedure issued audit memos as per GFR with regards to non/partially compliances of certain guidelines, tendering process and other observations, which have been responded by the Council forthwith. CAG has concluded its finding on pointing out procedural lapse in tendering and for non-following of the GFR in reducing the rent of one of its premises in the earlier years, resulted in to a notional financial loss of Rs. 1,742 Lakhs-. The matter was referred to the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), the PAC in its 129th report dated 19.12.2018 has reported flawed tendering and bidding process and undue post contractual benefits to a private party. PAC have also recommended, that the interest on EMD may be deposited in Government Accounts in time bound manner. Based on PAC's report & CCA's recommendation, the MoT has written letter no.8/1/2016-EP (Pt-I) dated 31 October 2018 and reminder letter no. 8/1/2016-EP dated 14 January 2019 directing AEPC to deposit entire interest amount of Rs. 21,444 Lakhs and Rs. 1,742 lakhs being the amount of revenue loss in the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI).

The Council represented and has replied to the matter clarifying that, the interest of Rs. 21,444 Lakhs is entire bank

interest earned by the Council since inception till March 2016 from all the funds with the Council and not only from EMD, the Council have further clarified that interest on EMD is not payable to the Government as per GEE Policy. The Council also represented and has replied that there is no loss in letting out the premises as the fixation of rent was approved by the competent authority. AEPC filed writs before the Hon'ble High Court at Delhi, challenging the legality and validity of the demand raised by the Ministry of Textiles for Rs.21,444 Lakhs and Rs. 1,742 Lakhs through letter dated 31.10.2018 and 14.01.2019, and prayed to issue a writ of Mandamus and/or appropriate directions in the nature of writ thereby quashing/setting aside the Impugned letters dated 31.10.2018 and 14.01.2019 issued by the Ministry of Textiles, where the Court on 24 May 2019 has issued notice to show cause as to why the petition be not admitted and stayed the recovery till next date of hearing. The Council has also challenged the applicability of CAG audit on Council through an additional writ with Hon'ble High Court at Delhi. Since the matter is under judicial consideration no provision is considered necessary and the financial statement are prepared on going concern basis.

The PAC meeting held on 4th Feb, 2021 carried the reports of financial advisor of MOT. The PAC has also recorded that, "The matter is pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. Further action would be initiated after judgment of the Hon'ble High Court".

c) In respect of compensation demanded against showroom license fee, agency commission and work contract which is pending in various courts for which the contingent liability is estimated at Rs.1.02 Lakhs plus interest and award money.* (Previous year Rs.1.02 Lakhs).

23.2 Other Contingent Liabilities;

a) The Council is registered u/s 12A of the Income Tax Act and has been claiming to be taxable u/s. 11 of Income Tax Act as a charitable entity. Hon'ble Supreme Court for assessment year 2009-10 and 2011-12 has set aside the favourable orders of Delhi High Court accepting the Council's taxability u/s. 11 of the Income Tax Act, and remitted the matter to the Assessing officer. The Assessing officer is to examine the limits in proviso to section 2 (15) of the Income Tax Act & claim for Tax Exemption based on facts for every year.

The Council obtained a legal opinion and based on the opinion, the Council has internally carried the test as per the proviso to Section 2 (15) and accordingly estimated the tax liabilities of all those years starting w.e.f. assessment year 2009-10 where the assessments are opened and/or cases are pending at any appellate level. Further, pending any demand/ revised computation from the department, estimated tax liabilities as computed has been provided in the books.

On the same issue, the matter for Assessment Years 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 is pending with CIT (A) with

a demand of Rs. 1019 Lakhs (Demand only) which has partially (Rs. 837 Lakhs) been provided for (as a part of above referred provision) and residual (Rs. 182 lakhs along with interest demand of Rs. 524 Lakhs) is hereby disclosed as contingent liability.

Note No. 24

a) The Council in view of pending litigation, has not accounted a sum of Rs.388.75 Lakhs excluding Regional Licencing Authorities (RLA) cases (Previous Year Rs.396.94 Lakhs excluding RLA cases) pending based on data as on 31.03.2025, on account of claims lodged for forfeiture on account of Bank Guarantees/ Legal Undertakings and Post-Dated Cheques.

The details of cases and amount involved at different levels as compiled and certified by the Management are as under:

Level	No. of Cases		Recoverable Amount	
	Current Year	Current Year	Previous Year	Previous Year
	as on 31.03.2025	as on 31.03.2025	as on 31.03.2024	as on 31.03.2024
	Nos.	Rs. in Lakhs	Nos.	Rs. in Lakhs
Bank	22	45.52	22	45.52
TXC	1	6.74	1	6.74
Court	96	274.79	98	275.03
AEPC	1	44.67	1	44.67
Ministry	2	17.03	2	24.98
Total	122	388.75	124	396.94

Apart from the above cases, there are 1919 numbers of cases where forfeiture amount of Rs.7,135.46 Lakhs (approx.) Previous year 1919 numbers of cases Rs.7,135.46 Lakhs (approx.) have been referred to Regional Licensing Authorities. (RLAs).

a) EMD PDC Forfeiture-Dishonoured of Rs.1175.81. Lakhs (Previous year Rs. 1175.81 Lakhs) appearing in the "Notes 7, Other Current liabilities" are shown

corresponding to the similar amount shown as recoverable under “Notes 14, EMD PDC Recoverable”, where the recovery cases are either pending at court level or referred to RLA, detailed above. The liability of Council is linked with recovery of amount.

Note No. 25

a) A Member of Council had filed a petition with the National Company Law Tribunal for alleged mis-management of Council including allegation of mis-utilization of the funds. Subsequently, Ministry of Corporate affairs (MCA) has also filed interlocutory application before NCLT under Section 242(2) (k), 246 read with 339 of the Companies Act 2013 where MCA has sought interim relief in their application from NCLT that the Executive Committee of council be suspended. The matter is represented by the Council. At the present no financial impact can be ascertained as the matter is under judicial consideration before the NCLT Delhi.

b) Inspection of Books of Accounts by MCA u/s. 206 (5) of Companies Act, 2013 was carried by the MCA on the recommendation of Ministry of Textiles for appointment of a government administrator through their letter dated 12.07.2016 to MCA. MCA has submitted its final Report at NCLT where beside the general observations as raised by CAG/CCA, they have also pointed out certain non-compliance of disclosure in the financial statements and alleged portray of its state of affairs in terms of Section 447, 448, 166, 140 (5), 224, 135(3) read with 134 (3), 135, 128,

129, 134, 206 (7), 143, 242/628 of Companies Act, 2013/Companies Act 1956. On the basis of the report, Registrar of Companies (RoC) has filed a complaint u/s 628/447-448 for contravention u/s 628/447-448 of the Companies Act, 1956/2013 in the court of LD. ASJ (SPL Court), Dwarka Courts, Delhi on management, represented by all signatories of the Annual Accounts w.e.f. 2004-05 to 2016-17 (except signatories who were Government Officer/Nominees). Applications u/s 482 of CRPC was filed before the Delhi High Court by the respondents, for quashing the complaint case proceedings in the Dwarka special Court and the proceedings are pending.

Registrar of Companies had filed the two cases during 2021-22 with cause title RoC Vs A.Sakthivel & Ors and RoC Vs Virender Uppal & Ors at the Hon'ble Court of LD, ACMM (Spl. Act) Central Tiz Hazari, Delhi for contravention under section 128 of the Companies Act, 2013 and for contravention under section 129 of the Companies Act, 2013 respectively, the cases are represented by all signatories of the Annual Accounts w.e.f. 2004-05 to 2016-17 (except signatories who were Government Officer/Nominees). Applications u/s 482 of CRPC is filed before the Delhi High Court by the respondents, for quashing the complaint cases proceedings in the Tis Hazari Court and the proceedings are pending.

Registrar of Companies have filed one case during 2022-23 with cause title RoC Vs AEPC and Ors at Dwarka Court, Delhi

for contravention under section 134 of the Companies Act, 2013, the cases are being represented. Applications u/s 482 of CRPC is filed before the Delhi High Court, for quashing the complaint cases proceedings in the Dwarka Court and the proceeding is pending.

c) The Council during the year 2015-16 had demanded recovery of excess salary paid to its ex-secretary general. The excess amount of Rs. 83.06 Lakhs was determined based on Department of Personal & Training (DoPT) confirmation through letter dated 20.01. 2016. The matter had been referred by the Ministry of Textiles (MoT) to Department of Personal & Training (DoPT) for reconsideration of their advice fixing the remuneration. In addition to it, an amount of Rs. 2.50 Lakhs is recoverable against the unsettled advance drawn by him against transfer TA/DA etc.

Based on the communication of MOT through letter no. f.no.8/3/2011-EP (Pt-1) dated 12 May, 2020 conveying the minutes of the meeting dated 10.01.2020 of the Committee set up to decide further course of action on overdraw of salary and allowances by Shri. Puneet Kumar, Ex-SG, AEPC, where the committee's observation was that, "the matter is to be resolved between AEPC and Mr. Puneet Kumar, IAS regarding any excess payment during the period of deputation of Shri Puneet Kumar in AEPC. Ministry of Textiles has no locus standi on the matter as far as excess recovery is concerned," The Council has filed cases with district Court Delhi for recovery of the Rs. 85.56 Lakhs, the matter is pending. Based on the legal opinion, the management is of the view

that the Council is confident of recovery.

Note No. 26

Penalties and Earnest Money Forfeited of Rs. 113.15 Lakhs (Previous year Rs.102.53 Lakhs) provided on forfeited amount shown in the current liabilities represents the amount of Earnest Money Deposits/Bank Guarantees/Legal Undertakings/Post Dated Cheques forfeited and actually realized from the exporters. Certain amounts, which become refundable on reappraisal of cases as per policy of the Government, are debited to this account at the time of refund.

Note No. 27

(a) The Government has released following grants for various projects, the actual expenditure incurred and the balance amount carried forward as Grants received in advance along with grant recoverable are as under: -

b. The 'Claims of reimbursement of administrative expenses of EMD-BG work being done on behalf of Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. (Including Service Tax /GST), aggregating to Rs. 581.61 Lakhs represents recoverable up to March 2024, Rs. 726.15 Lakhs represents recoverable up to March 2023. At an interim, a communication was received from Ministry of Textiles through their letter no. 08/12/06-EP dated 24 September, 2021; stating that the Council's claim has been denied by citing "the competent authority has decided that the request of AEPC cannot be acceded". The above communication was responded by the Council citing AEPC's dissent and the recoverability was re-

Sl. No	Name of the Project	Balance carried forward from last year		Grant Received from Government during the year	Grant Refunded/ Distributed/ Adjusted/Written off during the Year	Admissible Grant during the year	Balance carried forward	
		Liability	Recoverable				Liability	Recoverable
Rs. in Lakhs								
1	MAI Grants:							
	EP Projects - MAI (Overseas events)	1.13	522.37	557.35	1.13	223.02	1.30	189.34
	EP Projects - MAI (Domestic events)	Nil	41.83	39.62	Nil	Nil	Nil	2.21
2	Other Grants:							
	PSQC Training of North East Students	13.37	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	13.37	Nil
	Claims of reimbursement of administrative expenses of EMD-BG work being done on behalf of Ministry of Textiles Government of India. (including S.Tax / GST)	Nil	580.92	Nil	145.23*	Nil*	Nil	435.69
	Total	14.50	1145.12	596.97	146.36	223.02	14.67	627.24

emphasized (based on initial set of communications with the Ministry) vide letter dated 21 October 2021 followed by reminder letters on 22 March 2022, 6 April 2022, 17 March, 2023 & 30 April, 2024. The Council, based on the MOT's progressive insights received by Council's representatives, is confident of recovery, however, the 1st 2024 F&B subcommittee meeting of the Council agreed that although favorable insights are being received no communication has been received in writing therefore decided to earmark recoverable dues relating to BG/EMD Cell as "Doubtful Recovery" from 31/03/2024 onwards. However, the write-off amount may be reviewed & considered each year for the next five years. It was also decided not to debit further salaries of the BG/EMD cell to the MOT. Decisions, effect has been done w.e.f. F.Y. 2023-24 itself.

* As per the Decision of 1st 2024 F&B Sub Committee, no salary and other

Direct expenditure are being debited to MoT w.e.f F.Y. 2023-24, written off 20% of the outstanding amount amounting to Rs 145.23 lakhs.

Note No. 28

Market Development Assistance (MDA) included in Unutilized Funds Received from Government shown in Current Liabilities represent balance and interest earned out of funds received from Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry towards assistance to Exporters for Sales tour, Participation in fairs abroad and Publicity as per MDA guidelines:

<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Current Year</u> <u>(Rs. in lakhs)</u>	<u>Previous Year</u> <u>(Rs. in lakhs)</u>
Opening Balance	82.50	82.50
Interest Credited During the year (No fund released)	0.00	0.00
Total	82.50	82.50
Less: Amount Adjusted/ written back during the year	Nil	Nil
Closing Balance	82.50	82.50

Note No. 29

Expenditure in foreign currency (determined on accrual basis) is as under: -

Description	Current Year (Rs. in lakhs)	Previous Year (Rs. in Lakhs)
Expenditure on Travel, Delegations, Trade Fairs, Exhibitions (Physical/virtual), Seminars, Market Study, Publicity and Travel Reimbursements etc. (net of surrender and receipts)	1510.14	2111.79
Total	1510.14	2111.79

Note No. 30

Auditor's Remuneration includes:

Description	Current Year (Rs. in lakhs)	Previous Year (Rs. in lakhs)
As Auditors		
Audit Fee (Excluding GST)	11.44	9.54
Taxation Matters (Excluding GST)	3.50	1.70
Out of Pocket Expenses (Excluding GST)	0.30	0.03
Total	15.24	11.54

Note No. 31

Expenses relating to previous year are on the following accounts: -

Sl. No	Particulars	Current Year (Rs. in Lakhs)	Previous Year (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Meeting Expenses	1.56	0.12
2	Delegation Expenses	-	0.05
3	Employee Benefits & Entertainment	0.17	-
	Total	1.73	0.17

Note No. 32

Income Tax/Deferred Tax:

The Council being Company under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013 is registered under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and liable for taxation u/s 11 of the Income Tax Act, 1961. The expenditure incurred is towards objects of the Council is treated as application of income under the provisions of Section 11 of the Income Tax Act, 1961. Due to change in provisions of Income Tax Act, 1961 regarding allowability of expenses on cash basis, there are no significant timing differences between its accounting income and taxable income that originate in one period and are capable of reversal in one or more subsequent period as per accounting standard AS-22 "Accounting for Taxes on Income" notified under Section 133 of the Companies Act, read together with the Rules.

Note No. 33

Employees Benefit Plans:

(i) Define Contribution Plans:		Current Year (Rs. in Lakhs)			Previous Year (Rs. in Lakhs)					
The Company has recognized in the Income and Expenditure Accounts for the Year ended March 31, 20 25 an amount of expenses under defined contributions plans benefit:										
-Contribution to Provident Fund		72.51			71.42					
-Employees State Insurance		0.08			0.06					
(ii) Defined Benefit Plans:										
The Company operates post-retirement defined benefit plan for retirement Gratuity which is funded. Leave Encashment is funded for all regular employees except regular employees who joined on or after financial year 2012 -13 and contractual employees.										
		Gratuity		Earned Leave Encashment		Medical Leave Encashment				
		C. Year	P. Year	C. Year	P. Year	C. Year	P. Year			
		Rs. in Lakhs								
Details of the post-retirement plan are as follows:										
(1)	Reconciliation of opening and closing balance of obligations:									
(a)	Obligation as at the beginning of the year	678.48	651.01	324.61	323.24	65.70	64.49			
(b)	Current Service Cost	31.37	29.56	21.66	16.51	2.17	2.28			
(c)	Interest Cost	48.92	47.85	23.40	23.76	4.74	4.74			
(d)	Actuarial (Gain)/Loss	(40.92)	22.08	10.28	13.22	(3.22)	(2.22)			
(e)	Benefits Paid	43.14	72.03	(23.88)	(52.11)	(4.85)	(3.60)			
(f)	Obligation as at the end of the year	674.71	678.48	356.07	324.61	64.53	65.70			
(2)	Change in Plan Assets (Reconciliation of Opening and Closing balances):									
(a)	Fair value of plan asset as at the beginning of the year	609.71	626.89	293.18	304.11	-	-			
(b)	Actual return of plan assets	44.25	36.65	21.00	21.38	-	-			
(c)	Contribution	38.72	18.27	-	19.79	-	-			
(d)	Benefits paid	(43.14)	(72.03)	(23.88)	(52.11)	-	-			
(e)	Charges deducted	(1.42)	(0.07)	-	-	-	-			
(f)	Fair value of plan assets as at the end of the year	648.11	609.71	290.30	293.18	-	-			
(3)	Reconciliation of obligation & plan Assets:									
(a)	Present Value of obligation as at the end of the	674.41	678.48	356.07	324.61	64.53	65.69			
(b)	Fair Value of Plan Assets as at the end of the year	648.12	609.71	290.30	293.18	-	-			
(c)	Assets/ (Liabilities) recognized in the Balance Sheet	(26.59)	(68.77)	(65.78)	(31.43)	(64.53)	(65.69)			
(d)	Assets/ (Liabilities) Not recognized in the Balance Sheet									
(4)	Expenses recognized during the year:									
(a)	Current Service Cost	31.37	29.56	21.66	16.51	-	-			
(b)	Interest Cost	48.92	47.85	23.40	23.76	4.74	4.74			
(c)	Expected Return on Plan Assets	(46.76)	(46.14)	(22.49)	(22.38)	-	-			
(d)	Actuarial (Gain)/Loss recognized during the period	(36.98)	31.64	11.76	14.22	(3.22)	(2.22)			
(e)	Expenses/(Income) recognized during the Year in the I&E	(3.46)	62.92	34.34	32.10	3.68	4.80			
(f)	Best estimate for contribution during next year	20.72	22.98	23.01	18.83	7.38	7.31			
(5)	Assumption:									
(a)	Discount Rate (p.a.)	6.78%	7.21%	6.78%	7.21%	6.78%	7.21%			
(b)	Expected Rate of Return on Planned Assets (p.a.)	7.67%	7.67%	7.67%	7.67%	-	-			
(c)	Rate of Escalation in Salary (p.a.)	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%			
(d)	Average remaining Working Lives of Employees(years)	10.98	10.62	10.98	10.62	10.98	10.62			
(6)	Experience Adjustments:									
	Experience Adjustment loss/(Gain)-Plan Assets	3.94	9.56	1.48	1.00	-	-			
	Experience Adjustment loss/(Gain)-Obligations	(57.66)	15.90	1.12	10.39	4.66	2.72			
(7)	Reconciliation of fair value of assets and obligations for the past years:	31st March 2023			31st March 2022			31st March 2021		
		Gratuity	EL	ML	Gratuity	EL	ML	Gratuity	EL	ML
		Rs. in Lakhs								
	Present Value of Obligation	651.01	323.24	64.49	677.90	329.20	66.51	824.25	393.59	87.15
	Fair Value of Plan (Assets)	626.89	304.11	-	623.92	302.76	-	725.16	376.68	-
	(Assets)/Liability Recognized in the Balance Sheet	24.12	19.12	66.51	53.98	26.45	66.51	93.17	16.91	87.15

The expense is disclosed in the line item- contribution to Gratuity and leave encashment expenses.

* The excess of assets over liabilities in respect of gratuity have not been recognized as they are lying in irrevocable LIC fund.

Note No. 34:

Leases Rent (Operating Leases):

* The Council has taken various office premises under operating lease agreements these are cancellable/renewable by mutual consent on mutually agreed terms.

No lease expense is recognized in Statement of Income & Expenditure.

* The Council has given various office premises under operating lease agreements these are cancellable/renewable by mutual consent on mutually agreed terms.

Some of the terms of lease of office premises have an initial lock-in period. Lease receipts of Rs.1518.32 Lakhs (Previous Year Rs.1511.44 Lakhs) are recognized in the Statement of Income & Expenditure as per terms of agreement. For the office premises given on lease for the period of lock-in period, the details of such non-cancellable portion are as follows;

S. No.	Assets given on lease:	Current Year (Rs. in Lakhs)	Previous Year (Rs. in Lakhs)
a)	Total of minimum lease payments receivable		
	The total of minimum lease payments receivable for a period		
	* Not later than one year	242.95	210.54
	* Later than one year and not later than five years	62.85	170.61
	* Later than five years	Nil	Nil

Notes No. 35

Segmental Reporting

The Council operates in a single reportable segment i.e., export promotion

activities which has similar risk and return for the purpose of AS-17 on 'Segmental Reporting'. The Council does not have any reportable secondary geographical segment.

Notes No. 36

The Council carries a provision for contingencies towards claims of the Council for the matters disputed.

Opening Balance as at 1 st April, 2024	Additional provision made during the year	Incurred/ (reversal) against provision during the year	Closing Balance as at 31 st March, 2025
Rs. in lakhs			
85.00	Nil	-	85.00

Notes No. 37

Related Party Disclosure: As per Accounting Standard 18 are as follows;

a) List of related parties: Enterprises where the Council exercises control by way of power to nominate the majority of the composition of the governing bodies:

1. Apparel Training & Design Centre (ATDC)
2. AEPC Society for Human Resource Development (IAM)
3. AEPC Society for Rural Development & Labour Welfare Foundation (AEPCRD&LWF)
4. Apparel Made-ups Home Furnishing SSC (AMH SSC)
5. International Garment Fair Association (IGFA)

b) Key Management Personnel;

1. Chairman: -

-Sh. Sudhir Sekhri

w.e.f. 01/01/2024

Note: (No remuneration or monetary benefit was given to Chairman or any Executive Committee members).

2. Secretary General: -

-Sh. Mithileshwar Thakur

w.e.f. 20/02/2023

3. Secretary: -

CS. Sumit Gupta

w.e.f. 01/09/2019

(I) Enterprises over which KMP is able to exercise significant control:

Enterprises	Relevant KMP	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
			(Rs. in Lakhs)	(Rs. in Lakhs)
M/s. Trend Setters International Balance As on 31.03.2024 Rs. Nil Balance As on 31.03.2025 Rs. Nil	Mr. Sudhir Sekhri	Annual Membership Subscription, Participation fee for virtual/physical exhibition platform and certification fee.	-	5.92
		Total	-	5.92

(II) Transaction with KMPs other than Chairman

KMP	Designation	Nature of Transaction	Current Year	Previous Year
			(Rs. in Lakhs)	(Rs. in Lakhs)
Sh. Mithileshwar Thakur	Secretary General w.e.f. 20 th Feb, 2023	Remuneration (CTC)	45.50	45.00
CS. Sumit Gupta	Secretary w.e.f. 1 st Sep, 2019	Remuneration (CTC)	14.18	13.17
		Total	59.68	58.17

c) Transaction /balances outstanding with related parties.:

Particulars	Apparel Training & Design Centre (ATDC)		AEPC Society for Human Resource Development (IAM)		AEPC Society for Rural Development & Labour Welfare Foundation (AEPCRD&LWF)		Apparel Made-ups Home Furnishing SSC (AMHSSC)		International Garment Fair Association (IGFA)	
	C. Year	P.Year	C. Year	P.Year	C. Year	P.Year	C. Year	P.Year	C. Year	P.Year
Transaction during the Year;	Rs. in Lakhs									
Lease Charges Received	69.28	72.75	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	0.48	Nil	Nil
Consultancy Charges Received	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1.51	Nil
Reimbursement of Expenses/Contribution/Sponsorship -paid	63.09	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	29.94	1134.09
Reimbursement of Expenses/Contribution/Sponsorship -received	16.15	26.47	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	5.00	6.37	81.83
Assessment Charges Received (Non-MES)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	0.57	Nil	Nil
Balance at the end of the year:										
Amount due to	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	0.23	0.23	27.96	Nil
Amount due from	106.68	125.53	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	17.44

Notes No. 38 (a) Ratios:

Particulars	Units	March 31, 2025	March 31, 2024	% change from March 31, 2024 to Mar 31, 2025
Current Ratio	Times	3.41	3.53	(3.59)
Debt-Equity Ratio	Times	-	-	-
Debt Service Coverage ratio	Times	-	-	-
Inventory Turnover ratio	Times	-	-	-
Trade Receivable Turnover Ratio	Times	-	-	-
Trade Payable Turnover Ratio	Times	-	-	-
Net Capital Turnover Ratio	Times	-	-	-
Net Profit ratio	Percentage	(2.840)	(22.320)	(100.00)
Return on Equity ratio	Percentage	-	-	-
Return on Capital Employed	Percentage	-	-	-
Return on Investment	Percentage	-	-	-

(b) Elements of Ratios

Rs Lakhs

Ratios	March 31, 2025		March 31, 2024	
	Numerator (Rs. in Lakhs)	Denominator (Rs. in lakhs)	Numerator (Rs. in Lakhs)	Denominator (Rs. in Lakhs)
Current ratio	12416.26	3644.14	13714.79	3880.93
Debt- Equity Ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Debt Service Coverage ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Inventory Turnover ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Trade Receivable Turnover Ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Trade Payable Turnover Ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Net Capital Turnover Ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Net Profit Ratio	-55.58	1,957.30	(566.67)	2,538.75
Return on Equity ratio	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Return on Capital Employed	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Return on Investment	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

(c) Consideration of Element of Ratios

i.	Current Ratio:	Numerator= Current Assets, Denominator= Current Liabilities
ii.	Debt-Equity Ratio:	Numerator= Total Debt, Denominator= Total Equity - Revaluation Reserve
iii.	Debt Service Coverage ratio:	Numerator= Profit before Tax + Finance cost + Depreciation, Denominator= Repayment of Borrowings + Interest on Borrowings
iv.	Inventory Turnover ratio:	Numerator= Cost of Goods Sold, Denominator= Average Inventory
v.	Trade Receivable Turnover Ratio:	Numerator= Total Sales, Denominator= Average Trade Receivables
vi.	Trade Payable Turnover Ratio:	Numerator= Total Purchases, Denominator= Average Trade Payables
vii.	Net Capital Turnover Ratio:	Numerator= Revenue from operations, Denominator= Working Capital (i.e. Current Assets - Current Liabilities)
viii.	Net Profit ratio:	Numerator= Net Profit after tax, Denominator= Revenue from operations
ix.	Return on Equity ratio:	Numerator= Net Profit after tax, Denominator= Average Shareholder's Equity
x.	Return on Capital Employed:	Numerator= Earnings before interest and taxes, Denominator= Total Net worth+ Total Debt+ Total Deferred Tax Liability
xi.	Return on Investment:	Numerator= Earnings before interest and taxes, Denominator= Total Asset

(d) Reasons for more than 25% increase/ (decrease) in above ratios

Particulars	% Change from March 31, 2024 to Mar 31, 2025
Current Ratio	N.A.
Debt-Equity Ratio	N.A.
Debt Service Coverage ratio	N.A.
Inventory Turnover ratio	N.A.
Trade Receivable Turnover Ratio	N.A.
Trade Payable Turnover Ratio	N.A.
Net Capital Turnover Ratio	N.A.
Net Profit ratio	Due to creation of provision for Doubtful & W/o against a debt from MoT during FY 2023-24. Refer Note-27.
Return on Equity ratio	N.A.
Return on Capital Employed	N.A.
Return on Investment	N.A.

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Other Statutory Information (to the extent applicable) –

Part:1:

- (i) There is no Immovable Properties, Title deeds of those are not held in the name of the Company.
- (ii) No revaluation of Property, Plant & Equipment & Intangible assets has been carried out during the year.
- (iii) The Company has not granted loans or advances in the nature of loans to promoters, directors, KMPs and the related parties, either severally or jointly with any other person, that are (a) Repayable on demand; or (b). without specifying any terms or period of repayment.
- (iv) The company has no intangible asset under development and accordingly its ageing is not required at year end.
- (v) There are no proceedings have been initiated or pending against the company for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 and rules made thereunder.
- (vi) The Company has not taken any borrowings from banks / financial institutions on the basis of security of current assets.
- (vii) The company is not declared wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or other lender.
- (viii) The Company has no transactions with companies struck off under section 248 of Companies Act, 2013 or section 560 of Companies Act, 1956.
- (ix) The Company does not have any charges or satisfaction which is yet to be registered with Registrar of Companies (ROC) beyond the statutory period.
- (x) The company has not made any investments till 31-03-2025, hence compliance with number of layers prescribed under clause (87) of Section 2 of the Act read with Companies (restriction on number of layers) Rules, 2017 is not applicable.
- (xi) For ratios, refer Note 38 above.
- (xii) Compliance with approved Scheme(s) of arrangements in terms of Sec 230 - 237 of Companies Act 2013 - NotApplicable
- (xiii) **A:** The Company has not advanced or loaned or invested funds in any other person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities (Intermediaries) with the understanding that the Intermediary shall: - directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company (Ultimate Beneficiaries) or - provide any guarantee, security or the like to or on behalf of the ultimate beneficiaries.

B: The Company has not received any fund from any person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities (Funding Party) with the understanding (whether recorded in writing or otherwise) that the Company shall: - directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party (Ultimate Beneficiaries) or - provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.

Part:2

- (i) The Company does not have any such transaction which is not recorded in the books of accounts that has been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 (such as, search or survey or any other relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- (ii) The CSR Compliance - NA.
- (iii) The Company has not traded or invested in Crypto currency or Virtual Currency during the financial year.

Notes No. 40

The previous year figures have been regrouped or re-arranged wherever considered necessary.

As per our Report of Even Date Attached

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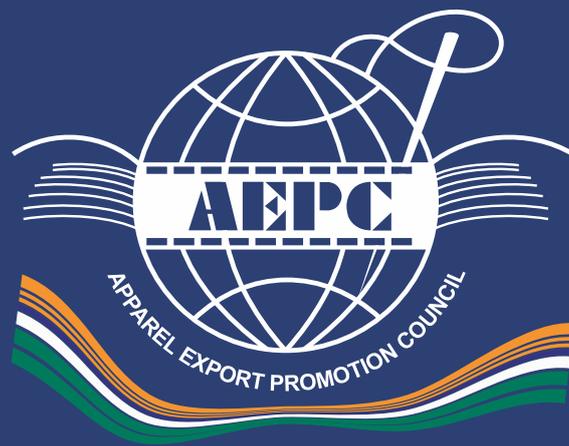
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