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Subject: Trade in Border Haats across the border of Tripura between India and Bangladesh

In exercise of powers conferred under paragraph 2.4 read with 2.21 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-20, the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby makes the following arrangements under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated 23.10.2010 between India and Bangladesh:

In terms of the provisions contained in the Foreign Trade Policy, the following commodities will be allowed to be traded in the Border Haats at Kamalasagar, Tripura (India) & Tarapur Kasba (Bangladesh) near border Pillar No-2039:

- i. Locally produced vegetables, food items, fruits, spices;
- ii. Minor local forest produce e.g. bamboo, bamboo grass and broom stick but excluding timber;
- iii. Products of local cottage industries like Gamcha, Lungi etc;

iv. Locally produced small agricultural household implements e.g., dao, plough, axe, spade, chisel etc.

v. Locally produced garments, melamine products, processed food items, fruit juice, etc.

2. Locally produced' in the above paragraph means 'the produce of the concerned border districts of the designated Haats'. Clarification as to the specific commodity falling under the above list of items will be given by the Haat Management Committee, constituted under Article 1 of the operational guidelines of the MOU.

3. Vendors who are allowed to sell their products in the Border Haats shall be the residents of the area within five (5) km radius from the location of Border Haats. The vendees may offer immediate consumption items of snack foods/juices as may be allowed by the Haat Management Committee.

4. Effect of Public Notice:

It operationalises the provisions of Memorandum of Understanding dated 23.10.2010 between India and Bangladesh by facilitating border trade between the two through two new border Haats at Kamalasagar, Tripura on the Indian side and Tarapur Kasba on Bangladesh side.

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