

Comments on the Category "A" Commitments of India under Trade Facilitation Agreement of WTO

Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) of WTO (https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tradfa_e/tradfa_e.htm) has been ratified by India on 22nd April, 2016. TFA contains provisions for expediting the movement, release and clearance of goods, including goods in transit. It also sets out measures for effective co-operation between different border agencies. As part of TFA, India has notified its category "A" commitments, which are those provisions which India is compliant of or is capable of being compliant at the time of implementation of TFA. All the stakeholders are requested to give comments, in case they face any difficulty at the time of import and export which is under the provisions of TFA. The comments could be any problems, issues relating to export or import procedures, bottlenecks in any Port, Airport or land Custom Stations. These will be examined by DoC in consultation with DoR for early redressal.

A National Committee on Trade Facilitation is also going to be set up under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary. Any suggestions/comments/inputs given here would become part of the agenda for implementation of TFA.

The comments could be sent to ad1tpd-doc@nic.in or d4tpd-doc@nic.in clearly mentioning Name, occupation and e mail id of the sender.