



# Export Promotion Council for EOUs & SEZs

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## **ALL EPCES MEMBERS**

### **NOTICE**

#### **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL BODY MEETING ON 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Please refer to EPCES letter no. No.EPC/SEZ/AM04/A.14 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021 regarding notice for Extraordinary General Meeting of Export Promotion Council for EOUs & SEZs (EPCES) to be held at 3:00Pm on Friday, 16th April 2021.

Due to continuing Covid pandemic situation, it has been decided that the said Extraordinary General Meeting of Export Promotion Council for EOUs & SEZs (EPCES) will be held through video conferencing only. The time and date will remain the same i.e. on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 3 pm.

As stated earlier, the Extraordinary General Meeting has been convened to :-

- i) Consider, approve, amend (the proposed MOA & AOA), and adopt the changes/amendments to be made in Memorandum of Association & Articles of Association, as enclosed at Annexure I.
- ii) Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

We request you to kindly make it convenient to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting as mentioned above. In case you are pre-occupied with other engagements or unable to attend, kindly depute your representative to attend the EGM on your behalf.

After approval from the Extraordinary General Body, the minutes of the EGM will be submitted to Ministry of Commerce & Industry for approval. After the approval from the Ministry of Commerce, the same will be submitted to the Registrar of Societies.

We request to kindly send to us your confirmation by email at [epces@epces.in](mailto:epces@epces.in) or by courier at the address stated above, who will be attending the EGM at the earliest possible.

**The link for the meeting will be provided in due course of time.**

New Delhi  
Dated: 25.03.2021

  
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Assistant Director

## Agenda Point No. 1 Amendments in MOA & AOA.

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### (i) Composition of Governing Council

As per Article 27.3 Composition of the Governing Council is as follows:

1. The governing Council shall consist of 48 members:
  - i) Seven Members to be elected through Electronic Voting among the EOUs.
  - ii) Seven Members to be elected through Electronic Voting among the SEZ.
  - iii) Seven Members to be elected through Electronic Voting among the SEZ developers.
  - iv) Elected Chairman or his nominee of different regions.
  - v) Seven Development Commissioners\*
  - vi) One representative from Ministry of Commerce not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to the Government of India to be nominated as ex-officio member (One from CBEC & one from CBDT).
  - vii) 10 Coopted members as decided by the Central/State Governments.
    - With no voting rights \*\*\*\*\*

It is observed that the present number of EPCES members as in Feb 2021 under different categories are as follows:

EOUs -	500
SEZs -	3582
Developers -	303

In view of the above and proper representation,  
Central Governing Council approved the proposal for amending the Article 27.3 as follows:

1. The governing Council shall consist of **56** members:
  - viii) Seven Members to be elected through Electronic Voting among the EOUs.
  - ix) **Fourteen** Members to be elected through Electronic Voting among the SEZ.
  - x) Seven Members to be elected through Electronic Voting among the SEZ developers.
  - xi) Elected Chairman or his nominee of different regions.
  - xii) Seven Development Commissioners\*
  - xiii) One representative from Ministry of Commerce not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to the Government of India to be nominated as ex-officio member (One from CBEC & one from CBDT).
  - xiv) 10 Coopted members as decided by the Central/State Governments.

- With no voting rights \*\*\*\*\* “

Accordingly, revised CGC seats will be as follows:-

Zone	EOU	SEZ Unit	Developer	Total
<b>CSEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>FSEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>KSEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>MEPZ SEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>NSEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>SEEPZSEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>VSEZ</b>	1	2	1	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>28</b>

Consequently, there will be two members from amongst the SEZ units in each Regional Councils to as per the following amending the Article 22.1(C) as follows .

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- c) The regional governing Council shall consist of the following:
- An elected Regional Chairman, and
  - A maximum of **28** members elected through electronic voting\*\* by the members of region, of whom 7 shall elected from among EOUs, **14** shall elected from among SEZ units and 7 shall be elected from among SEZ developers.\*
  - In Case there are any state level councils within the region, their Chairman shall be ex-officio member of the Regional Council.
  - The development Commissioner concerned shall at Permanent Special Invitee to the Regional Governing Council. ”

Accordingly, revised RGC seats will be as follows:-

Zone	EOU	SEZ Unit	Developer	Total
<b>CSEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>FSEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>KSEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>MEPZ SEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>NSEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>SEEPZSEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>VSEZ</b>	7	14	7	28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>196</b>

## **(ii) Increase in membership fee of EPCES.**

Presently membership fee has been mentioned in Article 6.

There has been no increase in membership fee since 2003 when the Council was established. The EPCES has increased its activities for the benefit of members as per the following:

- (i) Hiring of M/s Grant Thornton Bharat LLP as knowledge partner for replying to the queries of the members related to FTP, SEZ Rules/Regulations, Indirect Tax (GST, etc.)
- (ii) Undertaking study regarding an in-depth analysis of sectors (other than IT and ITES, Petroleum and Gems and Jewellery) in SEZs to understand their contribution in investment, employment, exports including a few good case studies on technology transfer, hi tech industry, API, backward area development, labour reforms for understanding SEZ contribution through M/s Price Water House Coopers Pvt. Ltd (PWC)
- (iii) Undertaking study regarding the extension of Customs EDI (ICEGATE) system to SEZs through M/ s Ernst & Young LLP
- (iv) Webinars by M/s Grant and Thornton and other experts
- (v) Preparation of proposal for inclusion of SEZs & EOUs under the RoDTEP through M/s Grant Thornton Bharat LLP.
- (vi) Acquisition of new office premises at Flat No A101, 10th Floor, Himalaya House, 23 KG Marg, New Delhi.

In view of the above, it is proposed that Central Governing Council approved the proposal for amending the Article 6 Fees for membership as follows:

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### **6. FEES FOR MEMBERSHIP @**

<b>Normal Membership</b>		
<b>Membership Slabs For Units</b>		<b>Fees (In Rs.)</b>
1	Membership Subscription turnover upto 5 Crore	<b>7,500</b>
2	Membership Subscription turnover 5 to 25 Crore	<b>12,500</b>
3	Membership Subscription turnover 25 Crore & above	<b>25,000</b>
<b>Membership Slabs of (Non IT/ITES) for Developers/Co-Developers</b>		

1	Membership Subscription (Non IT/ITES SEZ) for Small SEZ Developers/Co-Developers	<b>50,000</b>
2	Membership Subscription (Non IT/ITES SEZ) for Big SEZ Developers/Co-Developers	<b>1,00,000</b>
<b>Membership Slabs of (IT/ITES) for Developers/Co-Developers</b>		
1	Membership Subscription for IT/ITES SEZ Developers more than 2 Million Sqft.	<b>50,000</b>
2	Membership Subscription for IT/ITES SEZ Developers Less than 2 Million Sqft.	<b>30,000</b>
3	Membership Subscription for IT/ITES SEZ Co-Developers	<b>25,000</b>
<b>Corporate Membership</b>		
<b>Membership Slabs for Units</b>		<b>Fees (In Lakh)</b>
1	Membership Subscription for 1 to 10	<b>1.25</b>
2	Membership Subscription for 10 to 20	<b>3.75</b>
3	Membership Subscription for 20 to 30	<b>6.25</b>
4	Membership Subscription for 30 to 40	<b>8.75</b>
5	Membership Subscription for 40 & above	<b>12.50</b>
<b>Membership Slabs for Developers/Co-Developers</b>		
1	Membership Subscription for 1 to 5	<b>1.25</b>
2	Membership Subscription for 5 to 10	<b>2.50</b>
3	Membership Subscription fo 10 & Above	<b>6.25</b>