

Dear Member,

FIEO had taken up the issue regarding extension of GST exemption on export freight beyond 30th September, 2022 with the Government in order to ease the liquidity challenges of exporters.

In this regard, the undersigned today had a meeting with the Chairman, CBIC to discuss the matter further and to pursue for the exemption. The Chairman, CBIC had given a patient hearing on FIEO's submission and informed that withdrawing the said exemption was on the basis of GST Council's recommendation in its meeting held in April, 2022 and exporters may claim refund of the freight paid using the ITC route.

While FIEO would continue to pursue for exemption on export freight, Meanwhile, it is important that members should advise Freight Forwarders/Service Providers to **charge freight as IGST only** and not CGST or SGST irrespective of the fact that the supplier of service and recipient are located in the same State, to avoid any problem in future in claiming the refund.

Assuring you of our services,

Yours sincerely

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