

Agreement of Global System of Trade Preferences.

The GSTP Agreement, Global System of Trade Preference was formulated by Group of 77 which is a forum of 132 developing nations from Africa, Asia, Latin, America and the Caribbean. It is entered into force on 19.4.1989 and at present 44 countries ratified the Agreement. This Agreement Seeks to promote and sustain mutual trade, and the development of economic co operation among developing countries, through the exchange of concessions in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement. The GSTP Agreement provides for tariff preferences on trade among its members. The relevant Indian Customs notification giving tariff concessions under the Agreement is Notification No. 236/89 – Cus dated 1-9-1989 and goods are exempted from so much of that portion of the standard rate of duty of customs as given below : The details of textile items covered under the agreement is given below :

Description of goods	HS code		Extent of tariff concession	Beneficiary countries
Cotton yarn	5205.11 5205.48	to	30% of standard rate	Countries given below
Abaca fibre - raw	5305.00		10% of the standard rate	Countries given below
Abaca fibre (other than raw)	5305.00		10% of the standard rate.	Countries given below

S.No. (1)	Country (2)	S.No (3)	Country (4)	S.No (5)	Country (6)
1	Sri Lanka	2	DPR Korea	3	Bangladesh
4	Iraq	5	Peru	6	Zimbabwe
7	Ghana	8	Vietnam	9	Yugoslavia
10	Singapore	11	Rumania	12	United Republic of Tanzania
13	Cuba	14	Nigeria	15	Bolivia
16	Egypt	17	Guyana	18	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

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19	Mexico	20	Morocco	21	Nicaragua
22	Pakistan	23	Republic of Korea	24	Tunisia
25	Algeria	26	Angola	27	Argentina
28	Brazil	29	Cameroon	30	Chile
31	Colombia	32	Ecuador	33	Indonesia
34	Iran	35	Malaysia	36	Philippines
37	Qatar	38	Thailand	39	Trinidad and Tobago
40	Uruguay	41	Venezuela	42	Zaire
43	Benin	44	Guinea	45	Haiti
46	Mozambique	47	Sudan		