Minutes of the 16th meeting of the Internal Technical Committee under Amended Technology Up gradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) held on 16-02-2021

The 16th meeting of the Internal Technical Committee was held on dated 16/02/2021 under the Chairmanship of Shri S.P.Verma, Joint Textile Commissioner at 12.40 PM through video-conferencing. The list of participants is placed below at Annexure-I.

At the outset, Shri V.K.Kohli, Jt.Tx.C, Joint Textile Commissioner welcomed all the participants and informed them that the meeting is called on an urgent basis as per the request of ATUFS Section vide their note dt. 15/2/2021 regarding Agenda Point No.8 of the minutes of the 19th TAMC meeting held on 23/12/2020, with respect to the admissibility of machines purchased from different vendors (more than 2) in case of Technical Textiles.

(A) In this regard, the committee discussed the claim of M/s. Avgol India Pvt. Ltd. (ATUFS/2016-17/3361), which had been examined through Expert Committee, which recommended admissibility from Extruder onwards only for the complete production line of Spun bond melt blown non-woven including Extrusion unit, Calendaring unit, Humidifier unit, Drier, winder and slitter units and not recommended the Silo unit. However, M/s.AVGOL has purchased the complete production line in respect of Non-woven machines in six components from different machinery manufacturers / suppliers which was referred in the 19th TAMC. The 19th TAMC already considered the recommendation of the Expert Committee in respect of allowing six parts of different manufacturers to form a complete Non-Woven line purchased and taking up the matter with IMSC for relaxation in the decision taken in the 3rd IMSC Minutes dt. 27/02/2019 at Para No. 7.7. The ITC was of the opinion that M-C-3 (G) of the Resolution of ATUFS allows for Non-woven line 'complete production line or the component /parts forming the production line for manufacture of non-wovens upto rolled goods preparation and packing viz.', hence MOT may be requested to relax the decision taken by IMSC in its 3rd meeting held on 27/02/2019 as non-woven line from chips to rolled goods and packaging required different types of machines as per end use, which are being customized joining the various machines of different processes

like extrusion unit, calendaring slitter, winder etc.

(B) Further considering Complete Production Line for Manufacture of Surgical Bleached Cotton under Technical Textiles listed at MC 03-J-1 purchased from more than two vendors by M/s. Mohini Health & Hygiene Ltd. The committee called for the process flow chart including the names of the machine manufacturers involved in this process. On receipt of the information, from M/s. Mohini Health & Hygiene Ltd. (Annexure-II & III), the matter was discussed in detail about the manufacturing activity and process sequence involved.

Decision Taken: The Committee was of the opinion that process of manufacturing surgical cotton is more or less similar to non-woven production line as this process involved in four process of textile value chain i.e. 'Blow Room', Wet Processing, Carding (individualization and paralisation of fibre/Web) and Packing for different end products. There are different manufacturers of each process who have specialization in manufacturing of products specific machines. As such the complete production line can not be formed without involving more than two manufactures. Hence, the committee decided to recommend for considering the components in completion of the Production Line for Manufacture of Surgical Bleached Cotton, purchased from different machine manufacturers (more than 2). This matter may also be taken up through TAMC to the MOT / IMSC for relaxation of decided condition of allowing only 2 vendors for technical textiles machines, as the entire production line can not be procured with the machines manufactured by two vendors only.

