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Para 2.92 of the Handbook of Procedures (HBP) now lists annual import TRQs under the CEPA for 49 tariff lines, each with its MFN rate and TRQ modality. The products are dates; marble and travertine blocks and slabs; ethylene glycol; linear and mixed alkylbenzenes; polyethylene, including LLDPE and LDPE; polypropylene and propylene copolymers; and poly iso-butylene. They also include ABS copolymers; PVC and CPVC resin and other lines under heading 3904; PET flake (chip); polyurethanes; marble blocks, tiles and monumental stone; copper weld wire and welding wire; and aluminum ingots, billets and wire. Some lines carry only a short description, such as "Expansible" and "Moulding Powder" under heading 3903, or "Other". The table gives each line as the notice lists it.

The modalities differ by line. Dates get immediate tariff elimination (TEI) with a TRQ of up to 2,000 tonnes for both lines together. Marble and travertine blocks get a tariff reduction (TR) to 25%, an MIP of USD 150 per MT and a maximum import quota of 100 KTA (kilo tonnes per annum); slabs get the same reduction, an MIP of USD 25 per sq mtr and a maximum import quota of 1.5 mn sq mtr per annum. Ethylene glycol has a TRQ of 150 KTA, and the seven lines from 39011010 to 39019000 a cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA phased over 7 years, with 75 KT in Year 1. The alkylbenzene, heading 3903, heading 3904 and polyurethane lines take a TR of 50% over 5 years, with a TRQ based on the 3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21. The five copper wire lines take phased tariff elimination (TEP) over 5 years, with a TRQ of 150% of the 3-year moving average volume.

Imports are subject to Ministry of Finance Notification No. 20/2026-Customs dated May 31, 2026, as amended, relating to the India-Oman CEPA. At clearance, the importer must produce a Certificate of Origin issued by the competent authority in Oman. The quota year runs from April 1 to March 31, India's financial year. Applications for TRQ authorizations, with the requisite fee, are filed online on the DGFT website, under Import Management System, then Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ). For FY 2027-28 onward, the last date to apply for the annual allocation is February 28 of the preceding financial year. An authorization is valid for up to 12 months or until the end of the financial year, whichever is earlier.

Each TRQ authorization states the importer's name and address, Importer-Exporter Code (IEC), the Customs notification number, the tariff item, the quantity and the validity period. DGFT issues it electronically and sends it to the Indian Customs Electronic Data Interchange System (ICES). Imports are allowed only on electronic debit of the authorized quantity there, and only within the validity period. The procedure becomes Annexure VIII to Appendix 2A of the HBP. For FY 2026-27, the notice says a separate Public Notice will set the application window, with the eligible quota pro-rated for the rest of the year from the Agreement's entry into force. It does not give that date, the fee, or how quota is shared among applicants. Public Notice No. 24/2026-27 of August 3, 2026 then invited FY 2026-27 applications from August 4 to 19, 2026, for 30 tariff lines, including 1,00,000 MT of marble blocks and 1,50,000 MT of ethylene glycol.

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Amends	Para 2.92 and Appendix 2A (new Annexure VIII) of the Handbook of Procedures, 2023
Applies to	Imports under the India-Oman CEPA of the 49 tariff lines listed in Para 2.92
Takes effect	No date of effect stated; the notice says the TRQ allocation procedure "is hereby notified"
Quota year	April 1 to March 31 (India's financial year)
How to apply	Online on the DGFT website: Import Management System, then Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ), with the requisite fee
Application deadline	February 28 of the preceding financial year, for FY 2027-28 onward
At clearance	Certificate of Origin issued by the competent authority in Oman
Authorization validity	Up to 12 months or the end of the financial year, whichever is earlier
Customs notification	Notification No. 20/2026-Customs, May 31, 2026 (as amended from time to time), relating to the India-Oman CEPA
Abbreviations in the table	TEI = Tariff Elimination Immediate; TEP = Tariff Elimination Phased; TR = Tariff Reduction; TRQ = Tariff Rate Quota; KTA = Kilo Tonnes per Annum

Later notice	Public Notice No. 24/2026-27, August 3, 2026 (Gazette CG-DL-E-04082026-275171): FY 2026-27 applications invited from August 4 to 19, 2026, for 30 tariff lines, for example 1,00,000 MT of marble blocks and 1,50,000 MT of ethylene glycol
Signed by	Lav Agarwal, Director General of Foreign Trade and Additional Secretary to the Government of India
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Para 2.92: annual import TRQs under the India-Oman CEPA (a modality the notice gives once for a group of lines is shown on each line)

HS Code	Description	MFN Rate	TRQ Modality
08041010	Dates, Fresh	30%	TEI with TRQ of up to 2,000 tonnes (cumulative for both lines)
08041090	Dates, Other	30%	TEI with TRQ of up to 2,000 tonnes (cumulative for both lines)
25151210	-Marble and travertine : --- Blocks	40 %	TR to 25 %, MIP of USD 150 per MT and maximum import quota of 100 KTA
25151220	-Marble and travertine : --- Slabs	40 %	TR to 25 %, MIP of USD 25 per sq mtr and maximum import quota of 1.5 mn sq mtr per annum
29053100	Ethylene Glycol (Ethanediol)	5%	TR of 50% phased in 5 years (TRQ of 150 KTA)
38170011	Linear Alkylbenzenes	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
38170019	Alkylbenzenes (mixed), Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39011010	LLDPE — Ethylene monomer contributes ≥95% by weight of total polymer content	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)
39011020	Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE)	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)
39011090	Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)
39012000	Polyethylene having a specific gravity of 0.94 or more	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)
39014010	LLDPE — Ethylene monomer contributes <95% by weight of total polymer content	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)

39014090	Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)
39019000	Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 150 KTA for 7 TLs phased over 7 years with 75 KT in Year 1)
39021000	Polypropylene	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 75 KTA for 3 TLs phased over 7 years)
39023000	Propylene Copolymers	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 75 KTA for 3 TLs phased over 7 years)
39029000	Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years (Cumulative TRQ of 75 KTA for 3 TLs phased over 7 years)
39022000	Poly Iso-Butylene	7.5%	TR over 7 years (TRQ up to 125% of 3 FY average volume)
39031100	Expansible	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39031910	Moulding Powder	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39031990	Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39033000	Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene (ABS) Copolymers	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39041010	Binders for Pigments	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39041020	Suspension Grade PVC Resin	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39041090	Other	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39042100	Non-Plasticised	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39042200	Plasticised	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39043010	Poly(Vinyl Derivatives)	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39043090	Other	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39044000	Other Vinyl Chloride Copolymers	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)

39046910	Poly(Vinyl Fluoride) — in one of the forms mentioned in Note 6(b) to this Chapter	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39049010	Chlorinated Poly Vinyl Chloride (CPVC) Resin	10%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39049090	Other	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
39076110	PET Flake (Chip) — viscosity number of 78 ml/g or higher	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (cumulative 10 KT for 39076110, 39076190, 39076930 phased over 5 years)
39076190	Other Primary Form	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (cumulative 10 KT for 39076110, 39076190, 39076930 phased over 5 years)
39076930	PET Flake (Chip)	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (cumulative 10 KT for 39076110, 39076190, 39076930 phased over 5 years)
39095000	Polyurethanes	7.5%	TR of 50% over 5 years with TRQ (3-year average import for CY 2018, 19, 21)
68022110	Marble Blocks/Tiles	40%	TR to 25% in 3 years (Cumulative TRQ of 1.5 mn sq.mtr for the three Tariff Lines)
68022120	Marble Monumental Stone	40%	TR to 25% in 3 years (Cumulative TRQ of 1.5 mn sq.mtr for the three Tariff Lines)
68022190	Other	40%	TR to 25% in 3 years (Cumulative TRQ of 1.5 mn sq.mtr for the three Tariff Lines)
74081110	Copper Weld Wire (diameter >6 mm)	5%	TEP over 5 years (TRQ of 150% of 3-year moving average volume)
74081190	Other	5%	TEP over 5 years (TRQ of 150% of 3-year moving average volume)
74081910	Copper Weld Wire (diameter ≤6 mm)	5%	TEP over 5 years (TRQ of 150% of 3-year moving average volume)
74081920	Welding Wire	5%	TEP over 5 years (TRQ of 150% of 3-year moving average volume)
74081990	Other	5%	TEP over 5 years (TRQ of 150% of 3-year moving average volume)
76011010	Ingots (Aluminium, unwrought, not alloyed)	7.5%	TEP over 10 years with TRQ (preceding 3-year moving average imports for Years 1 to 3; 115% of preceding 3 years TRQ utilization from Year 4 onwards)
76012010	Ingots (Aluminium alloys, unwrought)	7.5%	TEP over 10 years with TRQ (preceding 3-year moving average imports for Years 1 to 3; 115% of preceding 3 years TRQ utilization from Year 4 onwards)

76012020	Billets (Aluminium alloys, unwrought)	7.5%	TEP over 10 years with TRQ (preceding 3-year moving average imports for Years 1 to 3; 115% of preceding 3 years TRQ utilization from Year 4 onwards)
76051100	Aluminium wire (not alloyed) — cross-sectional dimension exceeds 7 mm	7.5%	TEP over 10 years with TRQ (preceding 3-year moving average imports for Years 1 to 3; 115% of preceding 3 years TRQ utilization from Year 4 onwards)

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