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EODC processing to use voluntary duty payment data from ICEGATE

DGFT Trade Notice No. 15/2026-27 puts licence-wise voluntary duty payments from Customs/ICEGATE on the DGFT portal for AA and EPCG EODC applications.

THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL of Foreign Trade (DGFT), Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, issued Trade Notice No. 15/2026-27, dated August 5, 2026, from Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi. It is addressed to all exporters and members of trade and industry, all Export Promotion Councils and trade and industry associations, and all DGFT Regional Authorities. Its subject is the availability of licence-wise voluntary duty payment details for processing Export Obligation Discharge Certificate (EODC) applications under the Advance Authorisation (AA) and Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) Schemes. DGFT says it has undertaken an initiative to integrate licence-wise voluntary duty payment data received from Customs/ICEGATE, the customs online portal, with the DGFT online system, so that the payment information is available electronically on the DGFT portal.

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Regional Authorities can view the details on the BO Portal (Officer Side), under Closure file → Payment Details Tab → Voluntary Payment Details, and under License Room → Bills Repository → Select Bill → Voluntary Payment Details. Holders can view them on the Customer Portal (CP) (User Side), under My Dashboard → Repositories → Bills Repositories → Select Bill → Voluntary Payment Details, and in the closure file right before submission, in the print summary. Only the voluntary duty payment details reflected on the DGFT Portal (BO/CP), based on data received from Customs/ICEGATE, will be recognized for processing and closure of EODC applications under the AA and EPCG Schemes.

Authorization holders are advised to enter correct details, such as the licence number and IEC (Importer-Exporter Code), in the respective columns of ICEGATE when making a payment under any licence. Before filing an EODC application under the AA or EPCG Scheme, they are advised to verify the voluntary duty payment details made on or after August 1, 2026 on the Customer Portal, and to report any discrepancy through the support channels. Regional Authorities processing EODC applications are to treat the voluntary duty payment details made on or after August 1, 2026, displayed through the BO Portal, as the official record received from Customs/ICEGATE, and to rely on them in examining the applications.

For any issue with the display of voluntary duty payment details, exporters and stakeholders may raise a ticket through DGFT Helpdesk Services → Create New Request, selecting "Other" as the category. Where the electronic record of a voluntary duty payment made on or after August 1, 2026 is not available in the DGFT system, the applicant may upload a copy of the payment receipt or other proof of payment with the ticket. The toll-free helpline numbers are 1800-572-1550 and 1800-111-550, and the helpdesk email address is dgftedi@nic.in.

The notice does not say how voluntary duty payments made before August 1, 2026 are to be shown, checked or proved, or whether the rule in its paragraph 4 applies to them; every instruction that gives a date covers payments made on or after August 1, 2026. It gives no date

from which it takes effect and does not define a voluntary duty payment. It is signed by Ashwani Kumar Ojha, Deputy Director, and issued from File No. 01/02/02/AM-20/EDI.

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Dated	August 5, 2026
Addressed to	All exporters and members of trade and industry; all Export Promotion Councils and trade and industry associations; all DGFT Regional Authorities
Applies to	EODC applications under the Advance Authorisation (AA) and EPCG Schemes
Takes effect	No date stated; the date-specific instructions cover voluntary duty payments made on or after August 1, 2026
Data source	Licence-wise voluntary duty payment data received from Customs/ICEGATE
Recognized for EODC	Only the voluntary duty payment details reflected on the DGFT Portal (BO/CP) based on data received from Customs/ICEGATE
Holders' checks	Enter the licence number and IEC correctly on ICEGATE; verify payments made on or after August 1, 2026 on the Customer Portal before filing
Missing payment record	For a payment made on or after August 1, 2026: a helpdesk ticket under "Other", with a copy of the payment receipt or other proof of payment
Helpdesk	1800-572-1550, 1800-111-550; dgftedi@nic.in
File number	01/02/02/AM-20/EDI
Signed by	Ashwani Kumar Ojha, Deputy Director

The trade notice (PDF, 178 KB)

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