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The notice inserts the India-United Kingdom Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (India-UK CETA) as entry xv, after the existing list of Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) under Para 2.88(a). It amends sub-para (e) of Para 2.91 to read: "In case of India- EFTA TEPA and India-UK CETA, Certificates of Origin may also be obtained on the basis of self-declaration by the exporter concerned, in addition to issuance of Certificate of Origin by an authorised agency". Its stated effect is to let exporters obtain the certificate of origin under the India-UK CETA through self-declaration, in addition to the existing system of issuance by the authorized agencies. The notice does not reproduce the earlier text of sub-para (e). It does not say when the agreement comes into force or how a self-declaration is made.

Public Notice No. 10/2026-27, issued the same day from the same file and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part I, Section 1, No. 131, dated May 11, 2026, amends Appendix 2B of the FTP, the list of agencies authorized to issue preferential certificates of origin. Its new entry 20 names 17 agencies for the India-UK CETA. DGFT and its regional offices, and the Export Inspection Council and Export Inspection Agencies, may issue for all products. Eight bodies issue only for the products assigned to them: APEDA for agricultural products, the Marine Products Export Development Authority for marine products, the Central Silk Board for silk products, the Coir Board for coir and coir products, the Development Commissioner, Handicraft, for handicrafts, the Spices Board for spices and cashew nuts, the Textile Committee for textiles and clothing, and the Tobacco Board for tobacco and tobacco products. Seven Special Economic Zones (Cochin, Falta, Kandla, MEPZ, NOIDA, SEEPZ and Vishakhapatnam) issue for all products by units in SEZs and Export Oriented Units (EOUs) within their Zonal Development Commissioner's jurisdiction; Kandla's entry also covers units in the Surat SEZs.

Trade Notice No. 11/2026-27, dated July 13, 2026, put preferential certificates of origin for exports to the UK on the Trade Connect ePlatform (www.trade.gov.in) from July 15, 2026, when the India-UK CETA came into force, both on self-declaration and from an authorized agency. A self-declared electronic certificate needs a Digital Signature (DSC), and only users whose profiles are linked with the Importer Exporter Code (IEC) with a valid DSC can complete it; the application carries no fee and shows "Auto Approved Pending Issuance" once submitted.

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Amends	HBP 2023 Para 2.88(a) (entry xv) and Para 2.91(e); FTP 2023 Appendix 2B (entry 20)
Applies to	Exporters seeking preferential certificates of origin under the India-UK CETA
Self-declaration	Allowed under the India-EFTA TEPA and the India-UK CETA, in addition to issue by an authorized agency
Issuing agencies	17: DGFT, the Export Inspection Council and Agencies, eight bodies for the products assigned to each, and seven SEZs for units in SEZs and EOUs
Takes effect	Not stated in either notice
Related	Trade Notice No. 11/2026-27, July 13, 2026: electronic certificates of origin for exports to the UK on the Trade Connect ePlatform from July 15, 2026, on self-declaration or from an authorized agency
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Signed by	Lav Agarwal, Director General of Foreign Trade and Ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India

Appendix 2B, entry 20: agencies for the India-UK CETA (Public Notice No. 10/2026-27)

Authorized Agencies	Product Assigned to each agency
Directorate General of Foreign Trade and its regional offices	All products
Export Inspection Council and Export Inspection Agencies	All products
Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)	Agricultural Products

Marine Products Export Development Authority and regional offices	Marine products
Central Silk Board and regional offices	Silk products
Coir Board	Coir and Coir products
Development Commissioner, Handicraft and regional offices	Handicrafts
Spices Board	Spices and Cashew nuts
Textile Committee and regional offices	Textiles and Clothing
Tobacco Board	Tobacco and Tobacco products
Cochin Special Economic Zone	All products by Units in SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner
Falta Special Economic Zone	All products by Units in SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner
Kandla Special Economic zone	All products by Units in Surat SEZs and all SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner
MEPZ Special Economic Zone	All products by Units in SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner
NOIDA Special Economic Zone	All products by Units in SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner
SEEPZ Special Economic Zone	All products by Units in SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner
Vishakhapatnam Special Economic Zone	All products by Units in SEZs and EOUs located within the jurisdiction of the Zonal Development Commissioner

The public notice (PDF, 559 KB)

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