



Council for Leather Exports

(Sponsored by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India)

No.CLE/MS/MSME/2020

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To

Dr K Ellangovan, IAS
Principal Secretary -Industries
Directorate of Industries Commerce,
Vikas Bhavan P.O,Thiruvananthapuram
Kerala 695033

Dear Sir,

Sub : CLE Membership Fee for New MSME Exporters

Greetings from Council for Leather Exports!

We wish to state that Indian Leather and Footwear Sectors is one of the important Manufacturing Sectors in India, with potential for employment generation and foreign exchange earnings to the country. Presently, export of leather and leather products including footwear stands at USD 5.6 billion in 2018-19.

The Council for Leather Exports (CLE), functioning under the aegis of Ministry of Commerce & Industry, is the export promotion organization promoting export of leather, leather products and footwear. Around 3500 member-exporters of leather products and footwear are registered Members of CLE, **out of which around 92% is from MSME.**

The Council would like to inform that as per the Notification received from Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt of India vide letter No.K-11020/219/2019-E&MDA dt.23rd July 2019, the EPCs have been advised to broad base their Membership base to include Micro and Small Enterprises and create specific modules to impart export knowledge and skill development to MSMEs. Besides, new MSME Exporters should not be charged a fee which is more than Rs.1000/- per annum with equal privileges as available to other exporters.

Accordingly, the Council has decided to enroll only new MSME Exporters meeting the following eligibility criteria, with a fee of Rs.1000/- plus applicable GST.

The Council will enroll new MSMEs who are Manufacturers / Exporters of finished leather, leather footwear, leather garments, leather goods & accessories, leather gloves, saddler & harness and non-leather footwear with a fee of Rs.1000/- plus applicable GST.

The New MSME Member who are holding a valid MSME Registration - Udyog Aadhaar Registration Certificate issued by Ministry of MSME, Govt of India on or after 8th August, 2019.

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- *The New MSME Exporters would be allowed to enroll as Members of CLE who have recorded "NIL" Exports (or) having export turnover below Rs.15.00 lakhs in the previous year duly certified by the bank.*

We request that this information may be widely publicized in the MSME Ministry's publication/website etc in order to create an awareness among the New MSME Exporters and to facilitate their enrollment as Members of the Council.

We also request to provide us with the List of New MSME Manufacturers/Exporters of (Finished Leather, Leather Footwear, Footwear Components, Leather Garments, Leather Goods & Accessories, Leather Gloves, Saddlery & Harness, Non-Leather Footwear) who have registered **on or after 8th August 2019** in the MSME Department so that the Council would also directly approach them in this regard.

We look forward to receive your support in this regard

With regards,


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Executive Director

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-For kind information