## THE PLASTICS EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

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To,

All Members of Plexconcil/

**COA Members** 

Dear Sir / Madam.

Sub: Non-tariff measures (SPS) issue being faced by our exporters to be raised in the forthcoming WTO SPS committee meeting - reg.

We wish to inform you that Department of Commerce is undertaking WTO SPS Committee meeting in Geneva.

Sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) measures are quarantine and biosecurity measures which are applied to protect human, animal or plant life or health from risks arising from the introduction, establishment and spread of pests and diseases and from risks arising from additives, toxins and contaminants in food and feed.

These measures are governed by the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (the SPS Agreement), and its Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (the SPS Committee).

The present Committee meeting gives an opportunity to Member countries to raise their concerns with regard to the non-tariff measures relating to SPS implemented by any member country from North East Asia Countries like China, Japan, South Korea, North Korea, Taiwan, Mangolia.

In this regard, Technical Barriers to Trade(TBT) issues faced by members exporting to North East Asia(NEA) countries are requested to submit their inputs to <a href="mailto:bharti@plexconcil.org">bharti@plexconcil.org</a>; <a href="mailto:anirudha@plexconcil.org">anirudha@plexconcil.org</a> till 7<sup>th</sup> August 2024 latest by 12 Noon

Best regards,

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