

ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2025

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

1. RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP WITH THE ASSOCIATION

Total Membership strength of CMAI as on 1st September stood at 7018 including 2194 affiliated Members from 6 Regional Associations.

CMAI on-boarded 27 New Companies as Members in the month of September 2025 which are as under.

REGION	LIFE	PRIMARY	ASSOCIATE	AGENT / DISTRIBUTOR	RETAILER	Grand Total
MUMBAI	-	7	4	-	-	11
WESTERN INDIA	-	-	-	-	-	-
SOUTHERN INDIA	-	-	-	-	-	-
NORTHERN INDIA	-	8	2	-	-	10
EASTERN INDIA	-	2	-	-	-	2
CENTRAL INDIA	-	-	1	-	-	1
GUJARAT REG	-	3	-	-	-	3
Grand Total	-	20	7	-	-	27

RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP WITH THE ASSOCIATION

The Association received Membership Renewals from 24 Members in various Categories during the Month of September 2025 . They are as under :

REGION	PRIMARY	ASSOCIATE	AGENT / DISTRIBUTOR	RETAILER	Grand Total
MUMBAI	15	-	-	-	15
WESTERN INDIA	-	-	-	-	-
SOUTHERN INDIA	1	1	-	-	2
NORTHERN INDIA	2	1	-	-	3
EASTERN INDIA	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL INDIA	-	-	-	-	-
GUJARAT REG	2	2	-	-	4
Grand Total	20	4	-	-	24

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There are 757 Members whose Subscription for the current Financial Year is still pending. We request those Members to send their Renewals at the earliest to avoid uninterrupted Services and keeping them in the Inactive List. Members can Pay their Renewals through the following Link or NEFT or by a Crossed Cheque.

https://cmai.in/membership_form/public/members/login

The Bank Details of the Association for NEFT/RTGS are as under :-

Name of Beneficiary: **CMAI Membership A/c.**

Bank Name: **HDFC Bank** , IFSC CODE: **HDFC0000005**

Account Number: **00051450000092**

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CONCILIATION & ARBITRATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2025

CONCILIATION & ARBITRATION SUMMARY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD AUG'25-SEP'25				
MIS FOR THE PERIOD OF	AUG' 2025		SEP' 2025	
	No. of Files	Amount	No. of Files	Amount
Opening Total Cases pending resolution	1988	₹ 47,76,35,829	1998	₹ 47,17,05,890
New Complaints	15	₹ 33,39,920	5	₹ 21,87,821
Complaints resolved fully in the Month	5	₹ 81,62,296	2	₹ 1,98,574
Amount Collected in the Month		₹ 11,07,563		₹ 18,93,847
Total Cases pending resolution as on month end	1998	₹ 47,17,05,890	2001	₹ 47,18,01,290
Active Cases in Caution List	1494	₹ 31,20,32,422	1512	₹ 31,50,90,806
Active Cases pending resolution as on month end	504	₹ 15,96,73,468	489	₹ 15,67,10,484
Current Payment	33	₹ 9,36,499	14	₹ 18,60,902
Post Dated Cheque Received	2	₹ 1,71,064	1	₹ 32,845
Amount Collected in the Month	15	₹ 11,07,563	15	₹ 18,93,847

MEETINGS

CMAI's Manufacturing & Productivity Committee successfully hosted an Interactive Session on "Subsidy Schemes and Relief Measures for MSME's" on 10th September 2025 at CMAI Office.

The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector is the backbone and growth engine of India's economy. The Apparel sector in India employs millions of people and is one of the biggest employers at the national level. Moreover, 95% of CMAI members are in the MSME category.

Keeping this in mind, an Interactive session "Subsidy Schemes and Relief Measures for MSME's" was held at CMAI Office with Shri Milind Barapatre, Jt. Director and Shri Praful Umare, Asst. Director from MSME Development & Facilitation Office in Mumbai, Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India. The two-hour session was helpful to update manufacturer members about the changing market needs, technological assistance, financial support for MSMEs and cluster development incentives through various government schemes.

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More than 35 attendees gained insights on capability enhancement, skilling, upskilling, system and process improvements, emerging trends, challenges, productivity enhancement, payment recovery and adapting sustainability in manufacturing.

On 24th September 2025 CMAI signed an MOU with Bank of India to bring exclusive banking benefits for Members & their Employees!

For Manufacturers/Traders: Free cash handling up to ₹20 lakhs/day, 100% waiver on RTGS/NEFT, free insurance covers, customizable corporate banking & more.

For Employees: Zero balance salary account, free accidental & disability cover up to ₹200 lakhs, education benefits, concessional loans & locker rent.

On 5th September 2025 CMAI's ATC was empanelled by the Ministry of Textiles to train 660 trainees under the Skill Development programme "SAMARTH". MOU has been signed with the Ministry of Textiles for the same.

EVENTS

3RD NORTH INDIA GARMENT FAIR (NIGF)

The 3rd North India Garment Fair will be Organised on the 25th, 26th to 27th November 2025 at Yashobhoomi, New Delhi.



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3rd North India Garment Fair – Stall Booking is Open: <https://bit.ly/4i1DG4C> **THOSE WHO TAKE PART IN THS FAIR WILL GET A CONFIRMED STALL AT THE 83RD NATIONAL GARMENT FAIR TO BE HELD OIN (JUNE / JULY 2026)**

The Booking of Stalls commenced on 23rd July 2025. So far the Association has received Participation from 94 Members and 19 Applications are in the pipeline. Those who are interested to reserve their Place in the said Fair, are requested to Contact either Mr Hardik Shah, Jt Director M. No. 993018669 or Mr Vishal Revle, Asst Director M. No.9004277291.

ROAD SHOW AT SURAT



CMAI Team comprising of Mr. Naveen Sainani, Hon. Gen. Secretary, Mr. Mukesh Jain, Hon. Jt. Gen. Secretary & Chairman – NIGF, Dr. Ajoy Bhattacharya, Chairman, Gujarat Regional Committee, and Mr. Rahul Mehta, Chief Mentor, successfully hosted a dynamic Roadshow in Surat on 11th September 2025.

The event, organized to promote the upcoming 3rd Edition of CMAI's North India Garment Fair and showcase various other key initiatives of CMAI, witnessed the enthusiastic participation of over 40 leading manufacturers from Surat. The Roadshow received an overwhelming response and was highly appreciated by the audience.

ROAD SHOW AT MUMBAI

The Association also Organised a Road Show in Mumbai on 4th September 2025 and also on 26th September 2025.

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ROAD SHOW AT TIRUPUR



CMAI delegation visits Tirupur and successfully hosts a Roadshow to present Domestic Business opportunities for local Garment Manufacturers. The Delegation led by Mr Mukesh Jain, Hon. Jt. Gen. Secretary & Chairman, North India Garment Fair , Mr Anand Golecha, Chairman- Manufacturing & Productivity Committee; Mr Deva Prasad, Chairman – Southern Regional Committee ; Mr Anurag Dhoot, Sr. Director visited Tirupur on 19 September 2025 and met with Office Bearers and Members of the Managing Committee of Tirupur Exporters Association . Later on the Delegation also met Tirupur Domestic Garment Manufacturers Association.

Later in the day, an Industry Roadshow was successfully hosted to showcase the impressive work being undertaken by CMAI for the benefit of Apparel Industry in a whole . The session proved highly productive, reinforcing the city's position as India's Knitwear capital and a global Sourcing hub.

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INDUSTRY ROAD SHOW AT BENGALURU



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Learn the Fundamentals of using AI tools like ChatGPT, sending Emails and Messages to Customers, Digital Imaging, Instagram Creatives and much more

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is no longer a futuristic concept. It is already reshaping industries worldwide, and the Apparel sector is no exception. Businesses are experiencing first-hand how different types of AI – such as chatbots, matchmaking and predictive analytics – can transform the way day-to-day operations are designed, managed and experienced. Therefore, CMAI is hosting a session designed to equip members with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to embrace AI in the right way.

GUEST SPEAKER
Atul Yadav has been shaping the tech landscape for almost two decades. He has co-founded multiple start-ups and built products with more than 100 million installs. On Instagram, he has close to half a million followers, where he's known for simplifying AI in a way that even a 10-year-old could understand. His mission is to help professionals, creators and businesses not just talk about AI, but actually use it to get ahead.

ATUL YADAV
AI Coach & Entrepreneur

SAT 20TH SEPT 2025
5 TO 6 PM

CMAI Boardroom, A-901, Naman Midtown, S.B. Marg, Prabhadevi (W), Mumbai - 13

The Manufacturing & Productivity Sub Committee organised the above Session for the benefit of our Members. The Session was held on 20th September 2025 at the CMAI Office.

The Speaker for this Session was Mr Atul Yadav , AI Coach and Entrepreneur who highlighted Grow with your learning curve—embrace new-age skills, embrace the future MSME's Brand Owners Founders Designers Production / Mfg. Heads Marketers Technology etc.

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GUEST SPEAKER

MILIND BARAPATRE
JT. DIRECTOR
MSME DEVELOPMENT & FACILITATION OFFICE, MUMBAI

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Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India

SHRI MILIND BARAPATRE IS THE HEAD OF DEPT. OF MSME DEVELOPMENT & FACILITATION OFFICE, MUMBAI HAVING JURISDICTION OVER 25 DISTRICTS OF MAHARASHTRA. APART FROM MSME-DFO MUMBAI, HE HAS JURISDICTIONAL CONTROL OVER BR. MSME-DFO PUNE & BR. MSME-DFO AURANGABAD. HE HAS VAST EXPERIENCE OF WORKING WITH VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF MSME SECTOR IN MAHARASHTRA. PREVIOUSLY, HE HAS ALSO SERVED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF MSME'S IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH AND KARNATAKA.

ENTRY FREE FOR MANUFACTURER MSME'S. LIMITED SEATS

4:30 TO 5:30 PM | WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER 2025

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CMAI team led by Mr Anand Golecha, Chairman-Manufacturing & Productivity Committee; Anurag Dhoot, Sr. Director and Sanjay Bhalekar, Jt. Director met with Shri Milind Barapatre, Jt. Director at MSME Development & Facilitation Office, Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India in Mumbai. and briefed the Activities of CMAI and requested him to accept our invitation to visit CMAI Office to interact with members and update them on various eligible grants / funds being offered to MSME's by their department.

Subsequently, the Sub Committee hosted an Interactive session “Subsidy Schemes and Relief Measures for MSME’s” yesterday at CMAI Office*

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CMAI IS IN THE MEDIA

TV Anchor Arnab Goswami with the Hon'ble Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, asked the Finance Minister what she thought of CMAI's disappointment at Garments above Rs.2,500 being levied 18% GST, and whether she would be willing to review this decision. As per the FM, she would be happy to meet with CMAI to discuss their views and ask the officers to relook at the issue if warranted.

Mr. Rahul Mehta, Chief Minister Urged Govt. to Reconsider 18% GST on Garments above Rs. 2500. Mr. Mehta, in an exclusive interview with Republic, appeals to Shri. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India & Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Finance Minister for a relook at the new GST slab that imposes 18% tax on garments priced above ₹2,500. He emphasized that this move could impact both manufacturers and consumers, urging the government to create a more growth-friendly tax structure for the apparel industry. *To view more:*

https://youtu.be/Ni_wMt9FEc4?si=1_RnzPtF133YgYzl


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Santosh Katariya
President

**GST 2.0 Announcement:
Two-slab structure for
Readymade Garments will
come into effect from
22nd September 2025**

Whilst thanking GST Council for removal of Inverted Duty Structure, adopting a Fibre-Neutral Policy & increasing the 5% Slab on Readymade Garments to ₹ 2500, CMAI expressed its deep concern at Garments above ₹ 2500 being charged at 18%.

This move will affect the common man's purchases of Winter Clothing, Ethnic Wear, & Clothing on special Occasions such as Weddings. Even the middle-class consumers would be spending far more than ₹ 2500 for such garments.

CMAI therefore strongly urges the GST Council to review the decision and put the entire Value Chain at 5%.

In the meantime, further clarifications on management of existing Stock - in - trade will follow.

READYMADE GARMENT VALUE	EXISTING GST RATE	NEW GST RATE
BELOW ₹ 1000	5%	5%
BETWEEN ₹ 1000 - 2500	12%	5%
ABOVE ₹ 2500	12%	18%

(Garments Prices between ₹ 1000 to ₹ 2500 now at 5% against earlier 12%)

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People deferring buying, sales fall 45%: Traders

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Bengaluru: What should have been cause for joy for traders and retailers — especially during the festive season, their busiest time of the year — is instead triggering worry as the decision to lower goods and services tax (GST) has led to a slump in sales across several sectors.

GST RATE CUT

Traders say the period between PM Narendra Modi's Independence Day revelation of a rate rationalisation and implementation of the rejig has resulted in "undeclared zero business", with customers putting off purchases until Sept 22 when the new rates officially kick in.

"Business had slowed for about two months before the announcement of the rate cut because of global headwinds and now, reports from affiliated traders indicate sales have dropped by about 45% in Sept," said Mayank Rohtagi, secretary,



Reuters

STITCH IN BAD TIMES: The garments industry has been badly hit since clothing now falls in both slabs depending on the cost. Industry bodies have urged the Centre to levy a uniform 5% rate on all garments

Commercial Street Association. "We will get the actual picture only at the end of the month."

Rohtagi said small and medium businesses, especially those dealing in apparel and automobiles — two-wheelers and small cars in particular — are bearing the brunt. He said trade bodies are receiving complaints from retailers who are struggling to pay salaries, with some even freezing wages for the month.

"It is natural for consumers to postpone purchases when rate

cuts are announced, but it's only a temporary phenomenon," said trade activist Sajjan Raj Mehta. "Sales are bound to improve after Sep 22. We hope the expected surge will overcome losses."

Stock piling up

The slowdown has also led to inventory purchased at higher tax rates piling up. For example, GST on readymade garments priced below Rs 2,500 has been lowered from 12% to 5%, while those priced above Rs 2,500 now attract 18%. Apparel traders,

who typically stock goods for four to five months, fear steep losses. Industry bodies have urged the Centre to levy a uniform 5% rate on garments.

Changing price tags

"The biggest challenge is changing MRP tags," said Rahul Mehta, chief mentor, Clothing Manufacturers Association of India. "Although, the govt has given us time till Dec end to change price tags, it is a herculean task since it involves lakhs of pieces of merchandise. Retailers want the govt to allow them to reflect the change in price in the invoice, while others may absorb the losses (7% due to GST reduction from 12% to 5%) by offering discounts."

State officials, too, are watching developments closely and are bracing for a hit to revenue collection in Aug and Sept. "Economic sense suggests lower rates would push up consumption, but the rate cut would result in only a marginal reduction in prices," said Vipul Bansal commissioner, commercial taxes.

Clothing Manufacturers Association urges 5% slab for all garments

Meenakshi Verma Ambwani
New Delhi

The Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI) on Tuesday said that all garments across price points should be put under the 5 per cent slab of GST.

Raising concerns about the proposal of likely taxing garments priced above ₹2,500 at 18 per cent instead

of the current 12 per cent, it stated that such a move will adversely impact the apparel industry, which is already reeling under the impact of US tariffs.

'CRUEL BLOW'

Currently, apparel products priced below ₹1,000 fall under the 5 per cent slab and those above ₹1,000 are taxed at 12 per cent GST rate.

"If the GST Council does



in fact keep ₹2,500 as the cut-off level for the 5 per cent slab, and charge all apparel

products above this level at 18 per cent, it will mean a cruel blow to the aspiring middle class and the organised sector of garment manufacturers, who are the worst affected by the tariff wars," the Association stated.

"These are sections of the industry which manufacture products which are more expensive not because they are consumed by the affluent class but because by the very

nature of the cost of raw materials and artisans' handwork involved," the industry body pointed out.

WOOLLEN GARMENTS

It pointed out that almost the entire range of woollen garments, which are essential clothing for consumers in the North, North-East and Eastern regions, is currently priced between ₹3,500 and ₹7,000 a piece.

The industry body said even clothes for weddings are priced upwards of ₹10,000.

"Due to its character of being handmade, and the time taken to produce individually crafted pieces, most of these products priced above ₹2,500," said the CMAI.

"Putting these garments in the 18 per cent slab will hit the artisan community hard," it noted.

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COVER STORY

INDIA: A RETAIL GOLDMINE FOR US RETAILERS

Experts point out that not everything is doom and gloom. Many big US retailers have a strong retail presence in India such as Nike, Levi's, Tommy Hilfiger and Walmart (through Flipkart). For them, India is not just a production hub; it is also a major retail market.

This is important because under India's FDI rules, foreign single-brand retailers with 100% ownership must source at least 30% of what they sell in India from within the country. This sourcing rule is averaged over the first five years and then becomes an annual requirement. Therefore, even if US-bound exports slow down because of tariffs, these brands will still need Indian manufacturing for their local stores.

For example, Levi's has over 400 stores in India, Gap has 31, American Eagle Outfitters has 17 and Nike has 94. Walmart has a big stake too, owning 77% of Flipkart, India's leading e-commerce giant, which gives it a massive online retail presence.

Instead of walking away from India, for their US markets, most global retailers might shift sourcing to countries with lower tariffs. But for India's booming retail market and nearby regions like the Middle East, Africa, Southeast Asia and Oceania, India could become an even more important sourcing hub. Its location, trade deals like the India-UAE CEPA and cultural links with neighbouring regions make it a natural choice for regional supply.

"Manufacturers are exploring new markets, considering joint ventures overseas and examining the feasibility of setting up facilities outside India. They are also focusing more on

TOP EU RETAILERS INDIAN MANUFACTURERS SHOULD TARGET FOR EXPANSION

Brands	Suppliers from India	Suppliers from China	Suppliers from Bangladesh	Suppliers from Turkey	Notable Insights
Mango	12	28	10	13	Strong presence in multiple Asian and European countries
ASOS	81	200	—	229	Large China and Turkey supplier base
M&S	75	230	76	—	Balanced sourcing from India and Bangladesh
Primark	100	407	132	—	Heavy reliance on China, but strong India base
Next	150	738	311	—	Very high China dependency
Boohoo	79	297	—	64	India significant, Turkey important
John Lewis & Partners	120	500	—	33	India second to China
Matalan	70	300	130	—	Strong Bangladesh sourcing
Missguided	20	90	18	—	Smaller Indian footprint
River Island	45	150	—	97	Turkey is big secondary hub
Very Group	37	171	—	24	Moderate India role
Tu Clothing (Samsara)	32	90	50	—	Balanced between India and Bangladesh
Superdry	18	29	—	26	Also sources from Sri Lanka, Vietnam
Zalando	12	108	24	—	China leads, but India is growing
Zara	12	—	—	—	Major production in Spain, Portugal, Morocco, Türkiye
Decathlon	—	—	—	—	India is 4th largest sourcing country globally

R&D and technology, improving the quality of their offerings, driving innovation and upgrading the skill sets of their workforce," said **Chandrima Chatterjee**, Secretary General, CMAI. However, experts also pointed out that smaller exporters will face challenges.

"Operationally, they may struggle with reworking production schedules,

negotiating raw material costs or shifting manufacturing to other geographies, given their smaller scale and lower bargaining power. Cash flow management will become even more critical as delayed payments or cancelled orders can severely impact day-to-day operations," said **Rahul Mehta**, Chief Mentor, CMAI.

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US retailers keen to move new orders out of India

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Mumbai: With the additional 25% tariff on India's exports to the US set to take effect from today, pushing the overall tariff rate to 50%, American brands and retailers are asking Indian exporters to move production of new orders to other manufacturing countries.

"New orders for spring season that are yet to go on production lines are being asked to move to other countries of production. The other option buyers have given suppliers is to share the burden of the penalty. No customers (brands/retailers) have the appetite to absorb this," said Pallab Banerjee, MD at garment supplier Pearl Global which counts US

companies Gap, Macy's and Kohl's among its clients. For orders that are already in production, brands are not asking exporters outright to make any changes on the ground but are making a similar

TARIFF IMPACT

demand of sharing the cost of added tariffs, Banerjee said.

A 50% tariff puts India behind other major Asian garment manufacturing hubs such as Bangladesh and Vietnam which have been slapped with lower tariffs by the US. "From the conversations we have had with US buyers this morning, it is clear that they are not ready to absorb 50% tariff and have asked suppliers to shift sour-

cing to other countries. If things are not resolved at the political level, there will be a major crisis," said Rahul Mehta, chief mentor at Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI), pegging India's total apparel exports to the US at \$5.5-\$6 billion annually.

Big exporters will not take a major hit as they have facilities across global markets but the count of small exporters are much higher and they are staring at a complete collapse of business, said Mehta. "Small exporters typically have a few customers, and they tend to be from the same country," Mehta added.

Gokaldas Exports is looking at newer markets to add to its existing mix, which is currently US focused.

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Tax Cuts in Full, Discounts in Parts

Apparel and footwear cos expect GST cut to boost sales and may cut down on discounts

Shabori Das & Faizan Haidar

Bengaluru | New Delhi: Even as apparel and footwear brands and retailers are passing on the full price benefit of the GST rate reduction on the range priced under ₹2,500, the discount they offer from their own margin is going to come down, industry executives said.

The executives said the drop in prices due to the tax cut should lead to higher sales, reducing their unsold inventory and allowing them to lower the discount which they offer from their own pocket. Companies in the two segments were largely surviving on discounts and flash sales due to poor demand for over ten quarters now.

Departmental retail chain Lifestyle International chief executive Devarajan Iyer said while brands will pass on the GST benefit of 7 percentage points (from 12% to 5%) to consumers from Monday when the new rates come into effect, the discount it offers to consumers will come down by that extent. The retailer

will complete updating all price tags by this Sunday and will pass on the full price benefit to consumers, he said.

Shoemaker Woodland said there will be a reduction in discount. "The GST benefit when passed on to consumers will reduce product prices, which should lead to higher sales reducing unsold stocks. Hence, discounts offered in the sub-₹2,500 segment will come down," managing director Harkirat Singh said. "GST reduction will be a big benefit as market sentiments are not good." The sub-₹2,500 segment accounts for about 15% of the company's sales.

The GST impact is a mixed bag in apparel and footwear: Products, which are selling at up to ₹2,500, will witness a big benefit as the GST rate now will be 5%. Till now, the GST on apparel and footwear priced up to ₹1,000 was 5% and above that was 12%. With the abolishment of the 12% tax bracket, the GST on products priced above ₹2,500 will become 18%, increasing their prices.

Easy Terms

Lifestyle International

To complete updating all price tags it sells by this Sunday

Woodland

Sub-₹2,500 segment accounts for 15% of its sales

Motilal Oswal Financial Services report

Retailers anticipate a recovery in sales between late September and December

TRIGGERS
GST cuts, festivals and weddings

Iyer said global brands like Levis and Puma have a portfolio ranging from ₹799 to over ₹5,000. "If earlier their mix of sales was

25-30% below ₹2,500, and the balance came from higher price, the mix might change. The less than ₹2,500 may be 40-50% now," he said.

Rahul Mehta, chief mentor at industry body Clothing Manufacturers' Association of India, said there is a very small product category between ₹1,000 and ₹2,500 where discounting is likely to be reduced because of the GST revision.

"A retailer or brand might halve the discount as the GST drop benefit will already reduce the pricing. However, products above ₹2,500 will see an increase in price as the GST has increased," he said.

As per a September 16 report by Motilal Oswal Financial Services, retailers anticipate a strong recovery in sales between late September and December driven by the GST cuts, festivals and weddings. The report estimates mid-to-high-single digit like-to-like growth in branded apparel. It said the retail environment remained muted during July-August. "Footwear will now be at par with apparel due to the reduction of GST and instead of reduction in discount, we might see realistic MRP of products below ₹2,500," said Punit Bhardwaj, MD at Iconic Creations.



Global fashion labels brace for blow

ADITYA KALRA

New Delhi, September 4

THE GST OVERHAUL stands to make everything from soaps to luxury SUVs cheaper, but global fashion brands such as Zara, Levi Strauss and Lacoste have been spooked by higher levies on all apparel priced at more than ₹2,500.

The premium wear segment accounts for about 18% of an apparel industry worth \$70 billion, says Datum Intelligence, spurred by a growing number of nouveau riche and brand-conscious youngsters in India.

The biggest tax reform in eight years by the Centre cuts levies to 5% on garments costing less than ₹2,500, but items priced above that figure now face a higher levy of 18%.

TAXING TIMES



■ Items priced above **₹2,500** will face a higher levy of 18%

■ Zara, Levi Strauss, Lacoste, M&S and Gap among those to be hit

■ Domestic garment makers, reeling under US tariffs, may also be affected

■ Premium wear segment accounts for 18% of a **\$70-bn** apparel industry

That will pile pressure on the likes of PVH Corp, Marks and Spencer, Gap Inc, Under Armour, Nike, H&M and Japan's Uniqlo. Fashion companies worry about the impact of higher taxes on sales, since aspirational young people

consider such purchases as a lifestyle upgrade, but remain sensitive to price, said two domestic garment executives dealing in foreign brands.

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Global fashion ...

"RETAIL WORKS ON wafer-thin margins, and overheads like rents are extremely high," said the chief executive of a foreign garment brand operating here.

"Growth that we were expecting earlier won't come now." The official added, "This is not a luxury.

"The ₹2,500 price point is basic now."

The higher taxes are also a double whammy for domestic garment makers whose thriving US exports business is also reeling from US President Donald Trump's tariffs of 50%.

The higher rate on apparel could spell the "death knell for the industry", the Clothing Manufacturers Association of India has said, as items costing more than ₹2,500 are "consumed in large numbers by the common man and middle

class". In press statements, the association has flagged worries about the impact of the higher tax adding to the fallout from Trump's tariff salvo.

In India, foreign premium brands have been luring affluent youngsters by adding retail outlets and e-commerce offerings.

Lululemon Athletica plans to enter the market in 2026.

The tax hikes will also apply to apparel from luxury goods makers Louis Vuitton, Dior and Versace.

Some customers may opt for cheaper more tax-efficient purchases while travelling abroad, but the hike to 18% from an earlier slab of 12% will have limited impact on India's rich, said one luxury industry executive. Another area of expenditure set for a hit will be clothes bought for weddings.

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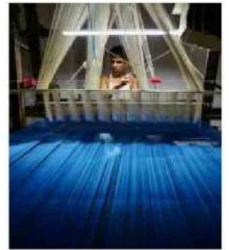
CMAI seeks uniform 5% GST on apparel to correct 'anomaly'

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COIMBATORE

The textile industry, which welcomed the revision of GST rates for the textile value chain in both man-made fibre and cotton sectors, expressed disappointment over 18% duty for garments priced above ₹2,500 each.

The increase of the 5% limit for garments from ₹1,000 each to ₹2,500 is a positive move, said the Cloth Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI). However, in the entire textile value chain from fibre to garment, garments above ₹2,500 are the only products which are not at 5%. "We earnestly request the GST Council to remove this anomaly, and either place all garments, irrespective of the price, at 5%, or fix a more reasonable and realistic price level (for 18%)."

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bers by the common man and middle class, especially woollen clothing, occasion wear, Indian traditional clothing, handlooms, and embroidered clothes. These will see a price increase due to this," it said.

"Anything that gets expensive will affect sales. Hence, we request the government to have a relook," Sanjay Jain, chairman of the national textiles committee of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, said.

Cos hurry up to follow edict on MRP revision

Consumer affairs ministry asks cos to declare revised MRPs on unsold stocks in line with rationalisation of GST rates

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

AS the September 22 deadline for implementing the new GST rates approaches, companies and regulators are racing against time to ensure proper pricing and labelling of inventories. The Ministry of Consumer Affairs has directed firms to declare revised maximum retail prices (MRPs) on unsold stocks, in line with the rationalisation of GST rates. Companies have been allowed to display revised MRPs until December 31, 2025, or until existing stocks are cleared. The ministry has clarified that revised MRPs must strictly mirror tax changes — prices can't rise beyond actual increase in tax, and must mandatorily fall where GST rates have been cut.

As per the directive, revised MRPs may be declared through stamping, stickers, or online



printing, but the original MRP must continue to be visible and not overwritten. Major FMCG players are already reworking their price structures. Nestle India told TNIE it is finalising a company-wide pricing strategy and will announce revised prices soon. Dabur India declined to share details but hinted at cuts

ahead of the festive season. "As families prepare to celebrate with renewed enthusiasm, lower prices on personal care items will allow them to prioritise health and hygiene without compromising on quality," said Mohit Mathotra, CEO of Dabur India. Concerns remain, however, over profitability and the trans-

sition timeline. Ramesh C. Jureja, Chairman of Mankind Pharma, had earlier said: "We usually have a stock of three months in the market, so a half-er of a couple of months to implement the changes would be good. Wholesalers have stock and may demand refunds." Sanjay Kumar Agarwal, Chairman of the Central Board

of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), ruled out any extension of the deadline. "From September 22, invoices must reflect the new rates. If companies keep MRP unchanged, they must adjust margins so consumers benefit. Otherwise, it amounts to profiteering, which is not permitted," he told TNIE.

Healthcare companies like Abbott have also committed to revising MRPs while extending additional credit support to retailers facing working capital pressure. In the textile sector, Rahul Mehta, chief member of the Clothing Manufacturers' Association of India (CMAI), said traditional wear and woollens could see prices rise 10-15% as GST on premium garments has increased from 12% to 18%. Retailers, he added, may either absorb the higher GST or issue new stickers reflecting the additional 6% on existing price tags.

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GST Hike on Apparel Above ₹2,500 to Hit Demand: Industry

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The increase in GST on apparels exceeding ₹2,500 to 18% from 12% will impact the offtake of these items in the upcoming festive and wedding season, according to the industry.

The Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI) called the decision a big blow to the middle class and the organised sector of garment manufacturers, who it said are already impacted by the tariff war.

Almost the entire range of woollen garments, which are essential clothing for the middle class in the North, North-East, and East India, are currently priced between Rs 3,500 to Rs7,000, said Rahul Mehta, chief mentor at the CMAI. "Putting such garments in the 18% slab will mean asking middle-class Indians not to wear woollen clothes during the winters," he said.

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Textile & Clothing industry wholeheartedly welcomed GST reforms

CITI LAUDS REVOLUTIONARY GST ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commenting on the recent changes on the GST Council's reform on the textile and apparel sector, Mr. Rakesh Mehra, Chairman, Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI) stated: "We thank and welcome the rectification of the GST inversion in the Man-Made Fibre (MMF) value chain by aligning MMF fibre and yarn at 5% from 18% and 12% earlier respectively. It addresses the long-standing blockage of working capital for thousands of spinners and weavers. With over 70-80% of textile and apparel units in India being MSMEs, this reform will directly benefit a large segment of the industry by easing liquidity pressures, enhancing competitiveness."

HISTORICAL TAX REFORM TO BOOST PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION - SIMA

Dr. S. K. Sundaraman, Chairman, South India Mills Association (SIMA) highly appreciated the government for the bold and historical tax reform brought for the MMF textile value chain by slotting the entire value chain in the 5% slab, a long pending demand of the textile industry and greatly addressing the MMF raw material structural issues.

He said that the government has set a vision of increasing the textile business size from USD 172 billion to USD 350 billion and the exports from USD 37 billion to USD 100 billion.

SIMA Chairman further added that textile exports got stagnated at USD 37 billion by more than 12 years. He has stated that the declining cotton production has also curtailed the growth of the textile industry.

He pointed out that the country would need around 22 billion kgs of raw material (fibres and filament yarns) against the current availability of around 12 billion kgs, to achieve the vision and particularly polyester will be the main growth engine for the textile industry to achieve the vision.

Dr. Sundaraman Chairman has stated that though PTA & MEG and wool-poly, the raw materials for manufacturer of polyester and viscose respectively, continue to attract 18%, the revised change in the law to provide 90% provisional refund in 7 days, which was not prevalent in the case of inverted duty refund, is the solution for addressing the GST inversion for the MMF producers. He has added that as the number of MMF manufacturers are very limited, the government can easily resolve their tax related problems and thus fully address the issues of several lakhs of manufacturers, traders and ultimately the consumers.

SIMA Chairman has also highly appreciated the government for establishing fibre security, totally arresting the loopholes for duty evasion, ensuring 100% compliance by bringing the entire textile industry under the 5% slab, fully taking care of the compounding taxpayers who pay 1% tax rate. Dr. S.K. Sundaraman has stated that the bold and timely initiative of the Hon'ble Prime Minister is a very big boost for mitigating the abnormal tariff imposed by the US on the Indian goods.

He said that the domestic consumption can vary well be increased by

7-10% in a short span of time, increasing the per capita consumption and bringing more revenue to government, as the final products attract 5% GST and thus enable the industry to navigate the challenges posed by the US tariff.

LANDMARK GST REFORMS TO REVITALIZE INDIA'S MMF TEXTILE SECTOR: NITMA

The Northern India Textile Mills Association (NITMA) stated that the Good and Service Tax (GST) rationalization marks a landmark reform that will strengthen the MMF value chain nationwide, fostering growth, innovation, and global competitiveness across the industry.

Speaking on the development, Mr. Sudharth Khanna, President of NITMA, stated:

"We are pleased to share that the long-standing issue of the inverted duty structure in GST for MMF textiles has been successfully addressed. This reform includes:

- * Reduction of GST on Manmade Fibres from 18% to 5%
- * Reduction of GST on Manmade Yarns from 12% to 5%

These changes will significantly lower costs across the MMF and Technical Textiles value chain, enhancing efficiency and export competitiveness."

This rectification, coupled with the removal of import duty on cotton (HSN 5201) until December 31, 2023, arrives at a critical juncture for the industry. Amid global headwinds such as U.S. tariffs and a volatile trade landscape, these measures inject fresh momentum into India's textile ecosystem and empower exporters to navigate challenges more effectively.

CMAI URGES GST COUNCIL TO REVIEW GST ON GARMENTS ABOVE RS. 2500

The Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI) has welcomed the latest changes made in the GST Rates, especially relating to the Textile Industry.

CMAI said that the Government has accepted two major requests of the Industry - the removal of the Inverted Duty Structure by making the entire Value Chain from Fibre onwards charged at one rate - 5% - and adopting a fibre-neutral policy, by equating the MMF and Cotton fibre chains.

The increase of the 5% limit from Rs. 1000 to Rs. 2500 is also an extremely positive move. CMAI has only one request to the GST Council. In the entire Value Chain from Fibre to Garment, garments above Rs. 2500 are the only products which are not at 5%.

CMAI has appealed the Council to remove this anomaly, and either place all Garments, irrespective of the price, at 5%, or fix a more reasonable and realistic price level. Garments above the price of Rs. 2,500 are also consumed in large numbers by the common man and middle class, especially woollen clothing, occasion wear, Indian Traditional clothing, Handlooms, embroidered clothes produced by artisans and traditional weavers are all priced above this limit of Rs.2,500 - all of which will see a significant price increase due to this change of GST Rate.

CMAI thus strongly urges the GST Council and Government to review this aspect.

AEPFC WELCOMES GST REFORMS

Mr. Sudharth Khanna, Chairman, Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPFC) stated: "AEPFC welcomes the Government's latest GST reforms. The GST reforms announced by the Government marks a big step in making India a developed economy. These measures are progressive and forward looking as they will ease compliance, improve liquidity for exporters, and strengthen India's textile & apparel value chain. Apparel industry hails it as a decisive step towards boosting Make In India & enhancing export competitiveness. AEPFC thanks the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, for supporting the apparel and textile industry with simplified, industry-friendly measures."

RSWM JMD WELCOMES GOVERNMENT'S FORWARD LOOKING GST REFORMS

Mr. Rajeev Gupta, Joint Managing Director of RSWM Ltd., shared the following insights: "We welcome the Government's forward-looking GST reforms, which will have a far-reaching impact on India's economic growth by improving affordability, reducing working capital requirements, and boosting demand across industries. For the textile sector, this is a particularly transformative step. The reduction of GST on manmade fibre from 18% to 5% and on synthetic yarns from 12% to 5% will significantly strengthen the domestic textile industry, enhance competitiveness, and stimulate consumption. The revision of the apparel slab raising the limit from ₹1,000 to ₹2,500, will provide a powerful boost to garments and apparel demand, thereby creating new opportunities across the textile value chain. At the same time, we believe that harmonizing GST on recycled polyester fibre and its raw material, PET bottles (18%), is an important area that needs attention to unlock the full potential of circular textiles. We remain committed to driving sustainable innovation, scaling domestic production, and contributing to India's journey towards 'Vishat Bharat'."

FIEO WELCOMES GST COUNCIL'S REFORM MEASURES TO EXPEDITE EXPORT REFUNDS

The Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) has welcomed the landmark decisions of the GST Council aimed at easing liquidity challenges for exporters and streamlining refund processes. Mr. S. C. Rallian President, FIEO, said: "The Council's approval to release export refunds within seven days based on risk analysis, along with provisional refunds under the inverted duty structure for sectors such as textiles, pharma, chemicals, and fertilizers, is a very welcome move. These reforms will go a long way in reducing working capital blockages and providing timely relief to our exporters."

He further emphasized that the measures will not only strengthen India's export sector but also give rise to increased domestic demand by easing stress on supply chains. "A robust export ecosystem inevitably supports domestic manufacturing and consumption. These steps will create a positive multiplier effect across the economy, benefiting both industry and consumers," he added.

मध्य वर्ग के लिए 2,500 रुपये से अधिक कीमत वाले कपड़े हो जाएंगे महंगे : उद्योग संगठन

नई दिल्ली, (भाषा)। कपड़ा उद्योग से जुड़े संगठनों ने जीएसटी दर में बदलाव से 2,500 रुपये से अधिक कीमत वाले परिधानों एवं कपड़ों के महंगे हो जाने का अनुमान जताते हुए कहा है कि यह मध्य वर्ग की खरीद क्षमता को प्रभावित करेगा और संगठित खुदरा कारोबार एवं परिधान क्षेत्र कमजोर हो सकता है। जीएसटी परिषद की बुधवार को हुई बैठक में 2,500 रुपये से अधिक बिक्री मूल्य वाले परिधान, कपड़े के सामान और अन्य रेडिमेड वस्त्रों पर जीएसटी दर को 12 प्रतिशत से बढ़ाकर 18 प्रतिशत करने का फैसला किया गया। हालांकि 2,500 रुपये तक की कीमत वाले जूते-चप्पल पर कर को 12 प्रतिशत से घटाकर पांच प्रतिशत कर दिया गया है जबकि 2,500 रुपये से अधिक कीमत वाले फुटवियर पर कर 18 प्रतिशत ही रहेगा। भारतीय खुदरा विक्रेता संघ (आरएआई) ने कहा कि 2,500 रुपये से अधिक कीमत वाले परिधान और जूते-चप्पल को 18 प्रतिशत की समान दर में रखने का फैसला मध्य वर्ग पर भारी पड़ सकता है और इससे देश में संगठित खुदरा एवं परिधान क्षेत्र भी कमजोर पड़ेगा। भारतीय कपड़ा विनिर्माता संघ (सीएमएआई) ने कहा कि 2,500 रुपये से अधिक दाम वाले परिधानों का इस्तेमाल आम आदमी के साथ मध्य वर्ग भी बड़ी संख्या में करता है।

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Garments priced above Rs 2.5K get costlier, to hurt middle-class

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Garments priced above Rs 2,500 per piece will become more expensive with GST rates on these items being increased to 18 per cent, a step which industry bodies said will hurt middle-class affordability and weaken organised retail and the garment



sector. Retailers Association of India (RAI) and Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI), while welcoming the two-slab GST framework and

removal of inverted duty structure across the textile value chain, argued that garments priced above Rs 2,500 are also consumed in large numbers by the common man.

The GST Council approved increasing GST rate from 12 per cent to 18 per cent on apparel of sale value exceeding Rs 2,500 per piece and on made-up textile articles.

బిస్కట్ల నుంచి ఎలక్ట్రానిక్స్ వరకూ ధరలు తగ్గుతాయ్!

నేటి నుంచి జీఎస్టీ మండలి సమావేశం

దిల్లీ: జీఎస్టీ పన్ను రేట్లలో మార్పులు చేయడమే లక్ష్యంగా రెండు రోజుల మండలి సమావేశాలు నేడు ప్రారంభం కానున్నాయి. బిస్కట్ల నుంచి ఎలక్ట్రానిక్స్ వరకు నిర్ణయించిన పన్ను రేట్లను తగ్గించే అవకాశం ఉంది. తేలవ ఆర్థిక మంత్రి నిర్మలా సీతారామన్ ఆధ్వర్య క్షత జరగనున్న ఈ సమావేశంలో అన్ని రాష్ట్రాలకు చెందిన మంత్రులు ప్రాతినిధ్యం వహించనున్నారు. ప్రస్తుతం 5, 12, 18, 28 శాతంగా ఉన్న జీఎస్టీ విధానం స్థానంలో, కేవలం 5, 18 శాతం పన్ను శ్రేణులను మాత్రమే ఉంచాలన్న ప్రతిపాదన ఉంది. కొన్ని హానికారక ఉత్పత్తులపై మాత్రం 40 శాతం రేటును విధించాల్సి పన్ను రేట్లను తగ్గిస్తే వినియోగం పెరుగుతుందని పరిశ్రమ వర్గాలు హాల్స్ వ్యక్తం చేస్తున్నాయి. విపక్ష పార్టీల రాష్ట్రాల మాత్రం పన్ను రేట్ల కోత కారణంగా వాటిల్లే అరాధన సమస్యను హద్దులు పరిచారని ఇబ్బంది కోరుతున్నాయి. ప్రభుత్వం ప్రతిపాదన అనులేక్షిస్తే, ప్రస్తుతం 12 శాతం శ్రేణిలో ఉన్న వస్తువులు 5 శాతం శ్రేణిలోకి చేరుతాయి. 90 శాతం 28 శాతం శ్రేణిలో ఉన్నవి 18 శాతానికి ఇదిగో తగ్గుతాయి.

వినియోగదారులకు రేట్లు కోత ప్రయోజనాలు...
ప్రజానిధులు: ప్రతిపాదన జీఎస్టీ సంస్కరణల్లో చాగంగా ఆహార ఉత్పత్తులపై పన్నులు తగ్గిస్తే,



రాజీయే ప్రమాణికాల్లో వినియోగం పెరుగుతుందని ప్రజానిధులు ఇంచుమించు, సీతా, వరుణ్ బిర్లా తెలిపారు. రేట్ల కోతం ప్రయోజనాలను వినియోగదారులకు బదిలీయిస్తామని అన్నారు. ఆహార వస్తువులపై 5% జీఎస్టీలోకి తీసుకువస్తే తప్పకుండా వినియోగం పెరుగుతుందన్నారు.

• ప్రస్తుత ఆర్థిక సంవత్సరం రెండో ప్రమాణికంలో వినియోగదారు గొడవ పెరుగుతున్నట్లు విప్రో కన్సల్టంట్ తేరీ అండ్ బ్రెటింగ్ ప్రోగ్రెస్ సీతా, వరుణ్ అగర్వాల తెలిపారు. ప్రతిపాదన జీఎస్టీ రేట్ల హేతుబద్ధతతో వినియోగం పెరుగుతుందని, వినియోగదారులకు ఆ ప్రయోజనాలను బదిలీయిస్తామన్నారు.

• రూ.2,500 కంటే ఎక్కువ విలువ కలిగిన వస్తువులపై 18 శాతం జీఎస్టీ విధించాలన్న ప్రభుత్వ ప్రతిపాదనలో పరిశ్రమ, మధ్యతరగతి ప్రతిపాదన ప్రకారం పడుతుందని కోరికగా మాన్యుఫ్యాక్చర్లర్స్ అసోసియేషన్ ఆఫ్ ఇండియా (సీఎంఐఐ) పేర్కొంది.

శ్రాద్ధ పూర హోటే ही सोमवार से ग्राहकी की आशा : जीएसटी बढ़ने के कारण महंगे गार्मेंट्स में अच्छा उठाव

नाइलॉन और धातु बॉलिंग बॉल के कारण भारतीय बाजार में ग्राहकी मंद रही। अब सोमवार से नवरात्र शुभ होने के कारण ग्राहकी को ग्राहकी बूझने की धारणा है।



गिबर्डी का सूती केमिज 60/60 92/88 48" ग्रे का भाव 41 रु. और 92/80 का 38 रु. है। 40/60 72/72 47" ग्रे का भाव 30.50 रु. और 68/68 का 29.50 रु. है।

गार्मेंट्स कपड़ा : समर की ग्राहकी शुरू हो गयी है और ब्रांडों का आकर्षण आना शुरू हो गया है। गार्मेंट्स के पास ग्राहकी होने से शॉपिंग में दिक्कतों तक की कुरीति हो गयी है। इस समय फैशन और किस्मों में आकर्षण है।

जोसे की हलवा

• दो पावरफुल डेवलपमेंट एंज एक्सेलेंट प्रमोशन कोरिडोर (प्रीडिक्शन) की 30वीं वार्षिक समारोह तथा 29 सितंबर को मुंबई के विराट रोड में आयोजित किया गया है।

• अतिथि किशोरा फैशन एंज टिप्पण लि. कंपनी ने अमेरिकन फैशन ब्रांड 'ओवरडी' लांच किया है जो जेन-जेड गार्मेंट्स के लिए है और इसका भाव 1200 से नीचे होगा। टैटो की फास्ट-ड्रिग बजट फैशन बेल लुईस के ब्रांडों का 'ओवरडी' ब्रांड लांच की है। कंपनी का 3 से 5 वर्ष में इस ब्रांड की 400 अउटलेट खोलने की योजना है। अतिथि किशोरा फैशन कंपनी अपने वर्तमान स्टेशनअप स्टोर्स को ओवरडी स्टोर्स में बदलने वाली है।

• दी स्मॉलिंग मेन्स एंज ऑफ इंडिया (सीएएआई) का गार्मेट्स इंडिया गार्मेट्स 25 से 27 नवंबर को चण्डीगढ़ में आयोजित किया जाएगा।

• दी केमिज सजावटी एंजो. (एएएएए) का 25वां ट्रेड नावक वर्ष के का फेस्ट 16 से 18 नवंबर को मुंबई पोर्ट के पास राउड होटल में आयोजित किया जाएगा। इसमें 150 स्टॉल होंगे।

मुंबई देवचंद डेडा

इसके बावजूद येनें देशों के बीच द्वितीय व्यापार करार की बाधाओं काटने के लिए है और इसका भाव परियाय आता है वह देखा है। इस बीच भारत अर्थिक के अधिक देशों के साथ मुक्त व्यापार करार (एफटीए) कर रही है जिससे यहां निर्यात बढ़ेगा।

पूरा में कपड़ा बाजार में इस समय काफ़ी बहाव काफ़ी है इसलिए यहां का प्रोडिक्शन मार्केट में कि मिनिमियम, आरकेटी, एएमटीएम, जे.जे. मार्केट, मोनस मार्केट में दुकानों का किराया 5 से 8 प्र.अ. कितना बढ़ गया है। वह किराया एक सितंबर से बढ़ा है। इस समय साइज की साड़ी की ग्राहकी अच्छी है और बांध व्यापारी हर 15 दिन पर पूरा होते हैं। इस समय साइज बेल और बांध ब्रायनेट बेल अधिक चलता है। एफ्टीएटी का आकर्षण है जोधन और मोने फिनिशिंग यहां ग्राहकी

रुई की नई आवक शुरू होने से रुई-सूत और ग्रे सूती कपड़ा नरम

10 अक्टूबर तक अच्छी रहने की धारणा है।

आधुनिक लेबर डेवलपमेंट करना चाहिए।

गार्मेट : जीएसटी दर में केवल 12 प्रतिशत का वार अमल में आने से बाजार में गिरा, ट्रेड है। 2500 रु. से अधिक कीमत के गार्मेट पर जीएसटी की दर 18 प्र.अ. होने से इसकी इस समय मांग अच्छी है। इसके सामने समे गार्मेट्स की मांग कम है वास्तव में नवरात्र और लक्ष्मीपूजा के पहले परिधान इस समय की खरीद लेना ठीककर है। क्योंकि बाद में इस पर भाव 6 प्र.अ. कितना बढ़ जाएगा। पूरा की 50 प्र.अ. टैरिफ गुरुती 10 से 12 प्र.अ. दर में अब पूरा से निर्यात नहीं होसता। इससे निर्यात पूरा में रुका है।

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परिधानों पर 18 फीसदी जीएसटी से प्रभावित होगा उद्योग : सीएमएआई

नई दिल्ली। जीएसटी में सुधारों के तहत 2,500 रुपये से अधिक मूल्य के परिधानों पर टैक्स बढ़ाकर 18 फीसदी के उच्च स्लैब में रखने के सरकार के प्रस्ताव से संगठित निर्माता और मध्य वर्ग के उपभोक्ता प्रभावित होंगे।

भारतीय वस्त्र निर्माता संघ (सीएमएआई) ने मंगलवार को कहा, विभिन्न क्षेत्रों से बार-बार आश्वासन मिलने के बावजूद ऐसी खबरें हैं कि 2,500 रुपये से अधिक मूल्य के परिधानों पर मौजूदा 12 फीसदी की जगह अब 18 फीसदी जीएसटी लगाने की संभावना है। अगर ऐसा हुआ तो यह पहले ही अमेरिकी टैरिफ संकट से जूझ रहे उद्योग के लिए मौत की

संघ ने कहा, टैरिफ संकट के बीच इस फैसले से मध्य वर्ग के उपभोक्ताओं पर पड़ेगा असर

घंटी साबित होगी। मध्य वर्ग के लिए आवश्यक ऊनी परिधानों की लगभग पूरी श्रृंखला की कीमत वर्तमान में 3,500 से 7,000 रुपये के बीच है। संघ ने कहा, ऐसे परिधानों को 18 फीसदी के कर दायरे में डालने का मतलब होगा कि मध्य वर्ग को ठंड में ज्यादा टैक्स देना होगा। सीएमएआई भारतीय परिधान उद्योग का एक संघ है, जिसके 5,000 से ज्यादा सदस्य हैं। इसके सदस्यों में निर्माता, निर्यातक, ब्रांड और सहायक उद्योग हैं। एजेंसी

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