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Sub: Request for Proposal floated for empanelment of agencies under entry level of Samarth Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sector

Dear Member Exporters,

The Ministry of Textiles, Government of India is implementing the Skill Development Scheme i.e., Samarth Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sectors (SCBTS). The Scheme had been extended beyond 31.03.2021 for a period of 3 years i.e., 31.03.2024. The Scheme is demand driven and placement oriented to supplement the efforts of the industry in creating new jobs in the organized textile sector excluding spinning and weaving.

2. The Scheme is implemented across 28 states and six Union Territories of the country and caters to all the sections of the society including Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) and other marginalised categories.

3. The scheme has the following broad objectives:

- i. To provide demand driven, placement oriented National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes to incentivize and supplement the efforts of the industry in creating jobs in the organized textile and related sectors, covering the entire value chain of textiles, excluding Spinning and Weaving.
- ii. To promote skilling and skill upgradation in the traditional sectors of handlooms, handicrafts, sericulture and jute.
- iii. To enable provision of sustainable livelihood either by wage or self-employment to all sections of the society across the country

4. To broad-base the panel of implementing partners, the Ministry of Textiles has invited proposals for empanelment from the textile industry and industry associations, related to the sector. The portal for the submission of applications is open till March 14, 2023 on <http://samarth-textiles.gov.in> . The implementation period of the scheme is up to March 2024. Samarth scheme was formulated under the broad skilling policy framework adopted by the ministry of skill development and entrepreneurship.

5. For the convenience of the members of the trade, the RPF document is also enclosed herewith.

6. AEPC's Circulars are available on AEPC's Website www.aepcindia.com
7. This is for your information please.

With regards.

Yours sincerely,

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