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Sub.: Duty Free Access to Japan and Korea

Dear Members,

We would like to inform you that India has trade agreements with Japan and Korea under which Apparel exports from India has duty free access to both Japan and Korean markets. Japan and Korea are one of the biggest Apparel importers in the world. The details of Apparel import by Japan and Korea are given:

	RMG import by Japan and Korea from world a	
	Import from world, IN USD Mn.	
	2018	2019
Japan	28489.6	27965.4
Korea	10171.6	10399.1

Source: UN Comtrade, 2021

Now, we have received an Office Memorandum from Department of Commerce regarding low preferential trade utilization of the following products in Japan and Korea:

Japan

(values in USD million)

HS Code	Total Import	Import under CEPA	Utilisation rate
6109.10-010	14.50	9.25	63.76
6205.20-000	12.97	10.35	79.80
6204.44-200	9.97	8.83	88.60

Korea

(values in USD million)

HS Code	Description	Total Imports	Imports under CEPA
6109101000	T-shirts	10.01	
6205200000	Of cotton	6.37	
6206300000	Of cotton	6.33	

In this regard exporters are requested to utilize the preferential trade in Japan and Korea and also requested to send the issues (if any) faced by them during exports to these countries. The issues may be sent to advisorcc@aepcindia.com.

This is for your information please.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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