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1	8 th June	Nirmal Metro	Easing SEZ Rules to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component Space: SEMI IESA	03	N/A	12550	Ashok Chandak
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1.	10 th June	Virtual Times	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component Space	04	N/A	64,000	Ashok Chandak
2.	8 th June	Dina Bhoomi	Welcome from IESA and Semi sectors to the announcement issued by the Ministry of Commerce regarding changes in SEZ regulations	05	N/A	75,000	Ashok Chandak
3.	8 th June	Dina Kural	IESA-Semi Sector Welcomes the Ministry of Commerce's Announcement Regarding Changes to SEZ Regulations	05	N/A	64,000	Ashok Chandak
4.	8 th June	Dina Kathir	Special Economic Zone regulations will encourage the growth of semiconductor and component manufacturing companies, says Ashok Chandak, Chairman, IESA and Semi India	02	N/A	64,000	Ashok Chandak
5.	8 th June	Tamil Sudar	IESA-Semi Sector Welcomes the Ministry of Commerce's Announcement Regarding Changes to SEZ Regulations	05	N/A	75,000	Ashok Chandak
6.	8 th June	Business Minute	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component Space- Ashok Chandak, President, IESA and SEMI India	04	N/A	75,000	Ashok Chandak
7.	7 th June	Trinity Mirror	Centre eases SEZ norms to boost MSMEs, startups in semiconductor	07	N/A	80,000	Ashok Chandak

8.	7 th June	Southern Mail	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component Space – Ashok Chandak, President, IESA and SEMI India	02	N/A	75,000	Ashok Chandak
9.	6 th June	News Today	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs	03	N/A	90,000	Ashok Chandak
10.	6 th June	Deccan Chronicles	Govt relaxes land norms for chip, electronics SEZs	09	N/A	28000	Ashok Chandak
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1	5 th June	Cxotoday	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component	N/A	Link	72000	Ashok Chandak
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2	6 th June	The Telegraph Online	Centre eases SEZ land norms to boost semiconductor and electronics manufacturing	N/A	Link	45000	Ashok Chandak
3	6 th June	SME Street	India's SEZ Reforms Set to Boost Semiconductor Startups & MSMEs: A Strategic Leap in High-Tech Manufacturing	N/A	Link	22000	Ashok Chandak
4	6 th June	Techmezzine	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component	N/A	Link	28000	Ashok Chandak
5	5 th June	NDTV Profit	Amid Calls for Deregulation, Government Eases SEZ Rules For Chips, Electronic Manufacturing	N/A	Link	86000	Ashok Chandak
6	5 th June	Electronic Media	SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component	N/A	Link	55000	Ashok Chandak
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2	9 th June	Inc42	Centre Approves Micron's INR 13K Cr Semiconductor SEZ in Gujarat	N/A	Link	55000	Ashok Chandak
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1	20 th June	The Times of India	Chinese threat' that made Donald Trump make deal with China is now worrying TV, speaker, smartwatch and other electronics makers in India	N/A	Link	75000	Ashok Chandak
2	19 th June	ET Telecom	Alarms ring at speaker, wearables, TV makers on Chinese rare-earth squeeze	N/A	Link	65000	Ashok Chandak

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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

Govt relaxes land norms for chip, electronics SEZs

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The government on Thursday has relaxed the land requirement for special economic zones (SEZs) amid fall in exports and allowed sale of products in domestic tariff area for semiconductors and electronics.

A company to set up an SEZ for making semiconductors or electronic parts, they only need 10 hectares or more of land from present 50 hectares.

The ministry of commerce and industry has made significant changes to the regulatory framework governing India's SEZs to align policy with the evolving needs of high-tech manufacturing sectors, especially semiconductors and electronics, and to improve operational flexibility in land usage and export logistics.

The new rules will be applicable for electronic components including display screens, camera and battery parts, printed circuit boards, lithium-ion battery cells, mobile and IT hardware wearables like smartwatches and hearables like earbuds.

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EXPORT PUSH

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GOVT REDUCES minimum land size from 20 to 4 hectares for certain SEZs.



10 hectares - and allowing use of encumbered land are landmark steps. This will help MSMEs and start-ups flourish further and boost chip, electronic manufacturing and investor interest," said Ashok Chandak, president, India electronics and semiconductor association.

The government also reduced the minimum land size from 20 to 4 hectares for certain SEZs.

Further, the earlier requirement of having SEZ land to be completely free of any legal claims or debts too has been relaxed. If land is already mortgaged or leased to government or their authorised agen-

cies, it can still be used to set up an SEZ.

However, the reason for allowing this must be clearly mentioned. This change will help developers use more land options, especially in urban areas.

The SEZ units also can export the goods directly outside India, move them to a customs bonded warehouse, sell them in the domestic tariff area by paying required duties, or move them to a free trade and warehousing zone (FTWZ) in the same or a different SEZ. This gives businesses more ways to manage their inventory and reach customers both in India and abroad.

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PRINT (Kolkata)

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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

Easy land norms for tech SEZs

OUR BUREAU

Calcutta: In a bid to push domestic manufacturing and export of semiconductors and electronics, the Union ministry of commerce and industries has amended the SEZ rules, easing contiguous land area norms for special economic zones (SEZs) that want to engage exclusively in the manufacturing of semiconductors or electronic components.

"Where a special economic zone is exclusively set up for the manufacturing of semiconductors or electronic components, the contiguous land area shall be 10 hectares or more," the commerce ministry's notification said. Earlier, this was 50 hectares.

The notification further said that for the purposes of this provision, the electronic

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- Contiguous land area for tech SEZs reduced from 50 hectares to 10 hectares
- The board of approval can relax the condition of encumbrance-free area
- Move will help MSMEs and start-ups scale up chip and electronics manufacturing

components would include display module sub-assembly, camera module sub-assembly, battery sub-assembly, various types of other module sub-assemblies, printed circuit board, lithium-ion cells for batteries, mobile and information technology hardware components, hearables and wearables.

The notification also said that the board of approval (the highest decision-making body for SEZs) can relax the condition of encumbrance-free area, in cases where the area is mortgaged or leased to the central or state government, or their authorised agency.

India Electronics and Semiconductor Association and SEMI, the organiser of Semicon events including Semicon India, said that these reforms will make it significantly easier for companies to establish facilities and scale up production in India's high-tech manufacturing ecosystem.

"This will help the MSMEs and start-ups to flourish further and boost chip and electronics manufacturing, and also garner investor interest. By liberalising the policy and aligning it with the realities of land availability and global

competitiveness, the government has reinforced India's ambition to become a global electronics manufacturing destination," said Ashok Chandak, president, IESA and SEMI India.

He added that these measures will particularly benefit the manufacturing of strategic components such as discrete semiconductors (transistors, diodes), integrated circuits, printed circuit boards, display and camera modules, battery packs and lithium-ion cells — core building blocks for devices ranging from smartphones and electric vehicles to data centres.

"This is a timely and strategic push that strengthens the 'Design in India to Make in India' mission, and it will help create new investment pipelines, generate employment and reduce dependence on imports," said Chandak.

**INDUSTRY STORY - SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs,
Startups in Semiconductor and Component
PRINT (Gujarat)**

Date	6 th June
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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને કમ્પોનન્ટ સ્પેસમાં MSMEs, સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને પ્રોત્સાહન આપવા માટે SEZ નિયમ સરળ બનાવવો : SEMI IESA

IESA અને SEMI સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ કમ્પોનન્ટ ક્ષેત્ર માટે તૈયાર કરાયેલા SEZ માળખામાં સમયસર સુધારા લાવવા બદલ વાણિજ્ય મંત્રાલયની સૂચના અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ અને IT મંત્રાલયના સમર્થનની પ્રશંસા કરે છે. ૫૦ હેક્ટરથી માત્ર ૧૦ હેક્ટર સુધીની જમીનની જરૂરિયાતોમાં છૂટછાટ અને બોજવાળી જમીનનો ઉપયોગ કરવાની મંજૂરી આપવી એ સીમાચિહ્નરૂપ પગલાં છે. આ સુધારાઓ કંપનીઓ માટે ભારતના હાર્ડ-ટેક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ ઇકોસિસ્ટમમાં સુવિધાઓ સ્થાપિત કરવાનું અને ઉત્પાદનનું પ્રમાણ વધારવાનું નોંધપાત્ર રીતે સરળ બનાવે છે. આ

MSME અને સ્ટાર્ટ અપ્સને વધુ વિકાસ કરવામાં અને ચિપ, ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ અને રોકાણકારોના હિતને વેગ આપવા માટે મદદ કરશે.

નીતિને ઉદાર બનાવીને અને તેને જમીન ઉપલબ્ધતા અને વૈશ્વિક સ્પર્ધાત્મકતાની વાસ્તવિકતાઓ સાથે સંરેખિત કરીને, સરકારે વૈશ્વિક ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ ઉત્પાદન સ્થળ બનવાની ભારતની મહત્વાકાંક્ષાને મજબૂત બનાવી છે. આ પગલાં ખાસ કરીને ડિસ્ક્રીટ સેમિકન્ડક્ટર્સ, આઈસી, પીસીબી, ડિસ્ક્રે અને કેમેરા મોડ્યુલ્સ, બેટરી પેક, પેસિવ કમ્પોનન્ટ્સ અને લિ-આયન સેલ જેવા વ્યૂહાત્મક ઘટકોના ઉત્પાદનને લાભ

આપશે - સ્માર્ટફોન અને ઈવીથી લઈને ડેટા સેન્ટર્સ સુધીના ઉપકરણો માટે મુખ્ય બિલ્ડીંગ બ્લોક્સ.

આ એક સમયસર અને વ્યૂહાત્મક દબાણ છે જે 'ડિઝાઇન ઈન ઈન્ડિયા ટુ મેક ઈન ઈન્ડિયા' મિશનને મજબૂત બનાવે છે, અને તે નવી રોકાણ પાર્ટપલાઈન્સ બનાવવામાં, રોજગાર ઉત્પન્ન કરવામાં અને આયાત પર નિર્ભરતા ઘટાડવામાં મદદ કરશે. SEMI અને IESA ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ મૂલ્ય શૃંખલામાં ઝડપી અમલીકરણ અને ઊંડા મૂલ્યવર્ધનને સક્ષમ બનાવવા માટે ઉદ્યોગ અને સરકાર સાથે કામ કરીને આ પ્રયાસોને સમર્થન આપવા તૈયાર છે.”

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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને કમ્પોનન્ટ સ્પેસમાં MSMEs, સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને પ્રોત્સાહન આપવા માટે SEZ નિયમ સરળ બનાવવો: SEMI IESA

IESA અને SEMI સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ કમ્પોનન્ટ ક્ષેત્ર માટે તૈયાર કરાયેલા SEZ માળખામાં સમયસર સુધારા લાવવા બદલ વાણિજ્ય મંત્રાલયની સૂચના અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ અને IT મંત્રાલયના સમર્થનની પ્રશંસા કરે છે. ૫૦ હેક્ટરથી માત્ર ૧૦ હેક્ટર સુધીની જમીનની જરૂરિયાતોમાં છૂટછાટ અને બોજવાળી જમીનનો ઉપયોગ કરવાની મંજૂરી આપવી એ સીમાચિહ્નરૂપ પગલાં છે.

આ સુધારાઓ કંપનીઓ માટે ભારતના હાઈ-ટેક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ ઇકોસિસ્ટમમાં સુવિધાઓ સ્થાપિત કરવાનું અને ઉત્પાદનનું પ્રમાણ વધારવાનું નોંધપાત્ર રીતે સરળ બનાવે છે. આ MSME અને સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને

વધુ વિકાસ કરવામાં અને ચિપ, ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ અને રોકાણકારોના હિતને વેગ આપવા માટે મદદ કરશે. નીતિને ઉદાર બનાવીને અને તેને જમીન ઉપલબ્ધતા અને વૈશ્વિક સ્પર્ધાત્મકતાની વાસ્તવિકતાઓ સાથે સંરેખિત કરીને, સરકારે વૈશ્વિક ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ ઉત્પાદન સ્થળ બનવાની ભારતની મહત્વાકાંક્ષાને મજબૂત બનાવી છે. આ પગલાં ખાસ કરીને ડિસ્ક્રીટ સેમિકન્ડક્ટર્સ, આઈસી, પીસીબી, ડિસ્પ્લે અને કેમેરા મોડ્યુલ્સ, બેટરી પેક, પેસિવ કમ્પોનન્ટ્સ અને લિ-આયન સેલ જેવા વ્યૂહાત્મક ઘટકોના ઉત્પાદનને લાભ આપશે - સ્માર્ટફોન અને ઇવીથી લઈને ડેટા સેન્ટર્સ સુધીના ઉપકરણો માટે મુખ્ય બિલ્ડીંગ બ્લોક્સ.

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MSMEs સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને પ્રોત્સાહન આપવા માટે **સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને કમ્પોનન્ટ સ્પેસમાં SEZ** **નિયમ સરળ બનાવવો: SEMI IESA**

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IESA અને SEMI સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ કમ્પોનન્ટ ક્ષેત્ર માટે તૈયાર કરાયેલા જીઈટ માળખામાં સમયસર સુધારા લાવવા બદલ વાણિજ્ય મંત્રાલયની સૂચના અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ અને IT મંત્રાલયના સમર્થનની પ્રશંસા કરે છે. ૫૦ હેક્ટરથી માત્ર ૧૦ હેક્ટર સુધીની જમીનની જરૂરિયાતોમાં છૂટછાટ અને બોજવાળી જમીનનો ઉપયોગ કરવાની મંજૂરી આપવી એ સીમાચિહ્નરૂપ પગલાં છે. આ સુધારાઓ કંપનીઓ માટે ભારતના હાઈ-ટેક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ ઇકોસિસ્ટમમાં સુવિધાઓ સ્થાપિત કરવાનું અને ઉત્પાદનનું પ્રમાણ વધારવાનું નોંધપાત્ર રીતે સરળ બનાવે છે. આ MSME અને સ્ટાર્ટ અપ્સને વધુ વિકાસ કરવામાં અને ચિપ, ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ અને રોકાણકારોના હિતને વેગ આપવા માટે મદદ કરશે. નીતિને ઉદાર બનાવીને અને તેને જમીન ઉપલબ્ધતા અને વૈશ્વિક સ્પર્ધાત્મકતાની વાસ્તવિકતાઓ

સાથે સંરેખિત કરીને, સરકારે વૈશ્વિક ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ ઉત્પાદન સ્થળ બનવાની ભારતની મહત્વાકાંક્ષાને મજબૂત બનાવી છે. આ પગલાં ખાસ કરીને ડિસ્ક્રીટ સેમિકન્ડક્ટર્સ, આઈસી, પીસીબી, ડિસ્ક્રે અને કેમેરા મોડ્યુલ્સ, બેટરી પેક, પેસિવ કમ્પોનન્ટ્સ અને લિ-આયન સેલ જેવા વ્યૂહાત્મક ઘટકોના ઉત્પાદનને લાભ આપશે - સ્માર્ટફોન અને ઈવીથી લઈને ડેટા સેન્ટર્સ સુધીના ઉપકરણો માટે મુખ્ય બિલ્ડિંગ બ્લોક્સ. આ એક સમયસર અને વ્યૂહાત્મક દબાણ છે જે ‘ડિઝાઇન ઈન ઈન્ડિયા ટુ મેક ઈન ઈન્ડિયા’ મિશનને મજબૂત બનાવે છે, અને તે નવી રોકાણ પાર્શ્વલાઈન્સ બનાવવામાં, રોજગાર ઉત્પન્ન કરવામાં અને આયાત પર નિર્ભરતા ઘટાડવામાં મદદ કરશે. SEMI અને IESA ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ મૂલ્ય શૃંખલામાં ઝડપી અમલીકરણ અને ઊંડા મૂલ્યવર્ધનને સક્ષમ બનાવવા માટે ઉદ્યોગ અને સરકાર સાથે કામ કરીને આ પ્રયાસોને સમર્થન આપવા તૈયાર છે.”.

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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને કમ્પોનન્ટ સ્પેસમાં MSMEs, સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને પ્રોત્સાહન આપવા માટે SEZ નિયમ સરળ બનાવવો: SEMI IESA

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સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને વધુ વિકાસ કરવામાં અને ચિપ, ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ અને રોકાણકારોના હિતને વેગ આપવા માટે મદદ કરશે. નીતિને ઉદાર બનાવીને અને તેને જમીન ઉપલબ્ધતા અને વૈશ્વિક સ્પર્ધાત્મકતાની વાસ્તવિકતાઓ સાથે સંરેખિત કરીને, સરકારે વૈશ્વિક ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ ઉત્પાદન સ્થળ બનવાની ભારતની મહત્વાકાંક્ષાને મજબૂત બનાવી છે. આ પગલાં ખાસ કરીને ડિસ્ક્રીટ સેમિકન્ડક્ટર્સ, આઈસી, પીસીબી, ડિસલે અને કેમેરા મોડ્યુલ્સ, બેટરી પેક, પેસિવ કમ્પોનન્ટ્સ અને લિ-આયન સેલ જેવા વ્યૂહાત્મક ઘટકોના ઉત્પાદનને લાભ આપશે - સ્માર્ટફોન અને ઇવીથી લઈને ડેટા

સેન્ટર્સ સુધીના ઉપકરણો માટે મુખ્ય બિલ્ડિંગ બ્લોક્સ. આ એક સમયસર અને વ્યૂહાત્મક દબાણ છે જે 'ડિઝાઇન ઇન ઇન્ડિયા ટુ મેક ઇન ઇન્ડિયા' મિશનને મજબૂત બનાવે છે, અને તે નવી રોકાણ પાઈપલાઈન્સ બનાવવામાં, રોજગાર ઉત્પન્ન કરવામાં અને આયાત પર નિર્ભરતા ઘટાડવામાં મદદ કરશે. જીઈસી અને ઇજીઇ ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ મૂલ્ય શૃંખલામાં ઝડપી અમલીકરણ અને ઊંડા મૂલ્યવર્ધનને સક્ષમ બનાવવા માટે ઉદ્યોગ અને સરકાર સાથે કામ કરીને આ પ્રયાસોને સમર્થન આપવા તૈયાર છે."

- અશોક ચાંડક, પ્રમુખ, IESA અને SEMI ઇન્ડિયા

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એજન્સી દ્વારા

IESA અને **SEMI** સેમિકન્ડક્ટર અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ કમ્પોનન્ટ ક્ષેત્ર માટે તૈયાર કરાયેલા **SEZ** માળખામાં સમયસર સુધારા લાવવા બદલ વાણિજ્ય મંત્રાલયની સૂચના અને ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ અને **IT** મંત્રાલયના સમર્થનની પ્રશંસા કરે છે. ૫૦ હેક્ટરથી માત્ર ૧૦ હેક્ટર સુધીની જમીનની જરૂરિયાતોમાં છૂટછાટ અને બોજવાળી જમીનનો ઉપયોગ કરવાની મંજૂરી આપવી એ સીમાચિહ્નરૂપ પગલાં છે. આ સુધારાઓ કંપનીઓ માટે ભારતના હાઈ-ટેક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ ઇકોસિસ્ટમમાં સુવિધાઓ સ્થાપિત કરવાનું અને ઉત્પાદનનું પ્રમાણ વધારવાનું નોંધપાત્ર

રીતે સરળ બનાવે છે. આ **MSME** અને સ્ટાર્ટઅપ્સને વધુ વિકાસ કરવામાં અને ચિપ, ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક મેન્યુફેક્ચરિંગ અને રોકાણકારોના હિતને વેગ આપવા માટે મદદ કરશે.

નીતિને ઉદાર બનાવીને અને તેને જમીન ઉપલબ્ધતા અને વૈશ્વિક સ્પર્ધાત્મકતાની વાસ્તવિકતાઓ સાથે સંરેખિત કરીને, સરકારે વૈશ્વિક ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ ઉત્પાદન સ્થળ બનવાની ભારતની મહત્વાકાંક્ષાને મજબૂત બનાવી છે. આ પગલાં ખાસ કરીને ડિસ્ક્રીટ સેમિકન્ડક્ટર્સ, આઈસી, પીસીબી, ડિસ્ક્રેટ અને કેમેરા મોડ્યુલ્સ, બેટરી પેક, પેસિવ કમ્પોનન્ટ્સ અને લિ-આયન સેલ જેવા વ્યૂહાત્મક ઘટકોના ઉત્પાદનને લાભ

આપશે - સ્માર્ટફોન અને ઈવીથી લઈને ડેટા સેન્ટર્સ સુધીના ઉપકરણો માટે મુખ્ય બિલ્ડીંગ બ્લોક્સ.

આ એક સમયસર અને વ્યૂહાત્મક દબાણ છે જે 'ડિઝાઈન ઈન ઈન્ડિયા ટુ મેક ઈન ઈન્ડિયા' મિશનને મજબૂત બનાવે છે, અને તે નવી રોકાણ પાઈપલાઈન્સ બનાવવામાં, રોજગાર ઉત્પન્ન કરવામાં અને આયાત પર નિર્ભરતા ઘટાડવામાં મદદ કરશે.

SEMI અને **IESA** ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ મૂલ્ય શૃંખલામાં ઝડપી અમલીકરણ અને ઊંડા મૂલ્યવર્ધનને સક્ષમ બનાવવા માટે ઉદ્યોગ અને સરકાર સાથે કામ કરીને આ પ્રયાસોને સમર્થન આપવા તૈયાર છે.”

PRINT (Chennai)

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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs, Startups in Semiconductor and Component Space

Chennai, June 9: Ashok Chandak, President, IESA and SEMI India --IESA and SEMI commend the Ministry of Commerce notification and the support of Ministry of Electronics & IT for introducing timely reforms to the SEZ framework tailored for the semiconductor and electronics components sector. The relaxation of contiguous land area requirements—from 50 hectares to just 10 hectares—and allowing use of encumbered land are landmark steps. These reforms make it significantly easier for companies to establish facilities and scale produc-

tion in India's high-tech manufacturing ecosystem. This Will help the MSME and Start Up's to flourish further and boost chip, electronic manufacturing and also investor interest.

By liberalizing the policy and aligning it with the realities of land availability and global competitiveness, the government has reinforced India's ambition to become a global electronics manufacturing destination. These measures will particularly benefit the manufacturing of strategic components such as Discrete Semiconductors, IC's, PCBs, display and camera

modules, battery packs, Passive Components, and Li-ion cells—core building blocks for devices ranging from smartphones and EVs to data centres.

This is a timely and strategic push that strengthens the 'Design in India to Make in India' mission, and it will help create new investment pipelines, generate employment, and reduce dependence on imports. SEMI and IESA stands ready to support these efforts by working with the industry and the government to enable faster execution and deeper value addition across the electronics value chain."

Date	8 th June
Publication	Dina Bhoomi
Quote By	Ashok Chandak

எஸ்இஇஸட் விதிமுறைகளில் மாற்றங்கள் குறித்து
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ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ மற்றும் செமி துறையினர் வரவேற்பு

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ஆலை அமைப்பதற்கான நிலம் கிடைப்பதில் உள்ள சிரமங்களை கருத்தில் கொண்டும், சர்வதேச போட்டியை எதிர்கொள்ள வேண்டியிருப்பதன் அவசியத்தைக் கருதி கொள்கையை தளர்த்தியுள்ளனர். இதன் மூலம் சர்வதேச அளவில் மின்னணு உதிரி பாக உற்பத்தி கேந்திரமாக இந்தியா வளர வேண்டும் என்ற அரசின் இலக்கு நோக்கிய பயணமாக இது அமைந்துள்ளது. இதுபோன்ற நடவடிக்கைகள் உத்திசார் அடிப்படையில் உதிரி பாகங்களான செமி கண்டக்டர், ஐசி, பிசிபி மற்றும் டிஸ்பிளே, கேமிரா மாடியூல், பேட்டரி பேக், பாசிவ் உதிரி பாகங்கள், லி-யான் செல்கள் உள்ளிட்ட உதிரி பாகங்கள், ஸ்மார்ட் போன்கள், மின் வாகனங்கள், தரவு மையங்கள் உள்ளிட்டவற்றை தயாரிக்கும் நிறுவனங்களுக்கு ஏதுவாக இது அமையும். அரசின் இத்தகைய முயற்சிக்கு செமி மற்றும் ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ முழு ஒத்துழைப்பை அளிப்பதோடு அரசின் நோக்கம் நிறைவேறவும் மின்னணு பொருள் உற்பத்தி விநியோகத்தில் மதிப்பு கூட்டு பொருள் தயாரிப்புக்கும் வழி வகுக்கும்.

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ஆலை அமைப்பதற்கான நிலம் கிடைப்பதில் உள்ள சிரமங்களை கருத்தில் கொண்டும், சர்வதேச போட்டியை எதிர்கொள்ள வேண்டியிருப்பதன் அவசியத்தைக் கருதி கொள்கையை தளர்த்தியுள்ளனர். இதன் மூலம் சர்வதேச அளவில் மின்னணு உதிரி பாக உற்பத்தி கேந்திரமாக இந்தியா வளர வேண்டும் என்ற அரசின் இலக்கு நோக்கிய பயணமாக இது அமைந்துள்ளது. இதுபோன்ற நடவடிக்கைகள் உத்திசார் அடிப்படையில் உதிரி பாகங்களான செமி கண்டக்டர், ஐசி, பிசிபி மற்றும் டிஸ்பிளே, கேமிரா மாடியுல், பேட்டரி பேக், பாசிவ் உதிரி பாகங்கள், லி-யான் செல்கள் உள்ளிட்ட உதிரி பாகங்கள், ஸ்மார்ட்போன்கள், மின் வாகனங்கள், தரவு மையங்கள் உள்ளிட்டவற்றை தயாரிக்கும் நிறுவனங்களுக்கு ஏதுவாக இது அமையும்.

"இந்தியாவுக்கு வடிவமைத்து இந்தியாவில் தயாரியுங்கள் என்ற அரசின் கொள்கைசார் முடிவை வலுப்படுத்துவதாக இது அமையும். அத்துடன் புதிய முதலீடுகளை ஈர்க்கவும், வேலை வாய்ப்புகளை உருவாக்கவும், இறக்குமதியை நம்பியிருப்பதை குறைப்பதாகவும் இருக்கும். அரசின் இத்தகைய முயற்சிக்கு செமி மற்றும் ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ முழு ஒத்துழைப்பை அளிப்பதோடு அரசின் நோக்கம் நிறைவேறவும் மின்னணு பொருள் உற்பத்தி விநியோகத்தில் மதிப்பு கூட்டு பொருள் தயாரிப்புக்கும் வழிவகுக்கும்."

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சென்னை, ஜூன் 8: சிறப்புப் பொருளாதார மண்டல விதிமுறைகள் செமி கண்டக்டர் மற்றும் உதிர்பாகங்களை உற்பத்தி செய்யும் குறு, சிறு மற்றும் நடுத்தர தொழில்கள், ஸ்டார்ட் அப் நிறுவனங்கள் வளர்ச்சியை ஊக்குவிக்கும் அசோக் சந்தக், தலைவர், ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ மற்றும் செமி இந்தியா

செமி கண்டக்டர் மற்றும் உதிர்பாகங்களை உற்பத்தி செய்யும் துறைகளின் வளர்ச்சியை ஊக்குவிக்கும் வகையில் சிறப்புப் பொருளாதார மண்டலங்களின் (எஸ்இஇஸ்ட்) விதிமுறைகளில் மாற்றங்களைக் கொண்டு வந்து வர்த்தக அமைச்சகம் வெளியிட்ட அறிவிக்கையை ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ மற்றும் செமி துறையினர் வரவேற்றுள்ளனர். இந்நிறுவனங்கள் அமைவதற்கான இட அளவு 50 ஹெக்டேரிலிருந்து 10 ஹெக்டேராகக் குறைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது. இவ்விதம் குறைக்கப்பட்ட நிலப் பரப்பு புழக்கத்திற்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்ள அனுமதிக்கும் உத்தரவானது வரலாற்று முக்கியத்துவம் வாய்ந்த நடவடிக்கையாகும். இத்தகைய சீர்திருத்த நடவடிக்கையின் மூலம் இத்தொழிலில் ஈடுபடும் நிறுவனங்கள் குறுகிய இடத்தில் ஆலைகளை அமைத்து தங்களது உற்பத்தியை அதிகரித்துக் கொள்ள உதவும். மேலும் இந்தியாவின் உயர் தொழில்நுட்ப சூழ்மையை மேம்படுத்த உதவும். அத்துடன் குறு, சிறு மற்றும் நடுத்தர தொழில் நிறுவனங்கள், ஸ்டார்ட் அப் நிறுவனங்கள் வளர்ச்சியை எட்டி சிப் உற்பத்தி மற்றும் மின்னணு சாதனங்கள் உற்பத்

தியை அதிகரித்து முதலீட்டாளர் நலன் மேம்பட உதவும்.

ஆலை அமைப்பதற்கான நிலம் கிடைப்பதில் உள்ள சிரமங்களை கருத்தில் கொண்டும், சர்வதேச போட்டியை எதிர்கொள்ள வேண்டியிருப்பதன் அவசியத்தைக் கருதி கொள்கையை தளர்த்தியுள்ளனர். இதன் மூலம் சர்வதேச அளவில் மின்னணு உதிரி பாக உற்பத்தி கேந்திரமாக இந்தியா வளர வேண்டும் என்ற அரசின் இலக்கு நோக்கிய பயணமாக இது அமைந்துள்ளது. இதுபோன்ற நடவடிக்கைகள் உத்திசார் அடிப்படையில் உதிரி பாகங்களான செமி கண்டக்டர், ஐசி, பிசிபி மற்றும் டிஸ்பிளே, கேமிரா மாடியூல், பேட்டரி பேக், பாசிவ் உதிரி பாகங்கள், லி-யான் செல்கள் உள்ளிட்ட உதிரி பாகங்கள், ஸ்டார்ட் போன்கள், மின்வாகனங்கள், தரவு மையங்கள் உள்ளிட்ட வற்றை தயாரிக்கும் நிறுவனங்களுக்கு ஏதுவாக இது அமையும்.

இந்தியாவுக்கு வடிவமைத்து இந்தியாவில் தயாரியுங்கள் என்ற அரசின் கொள்கைசார் முடிவை வலுப்படுத்துவதாக இது அமையும். அத்துடன் புதிய முதலீடுகளை ஈர்க்கவும், வேலை வாய்ப்புகளை உருவாக்கவும், இறக்குமதியை நம்பியிருப்பதை குறைப்பதாகவும் இருக்கும். அரசின் இத்தகைய முயற்சிக்கு செமி மற்றும் ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ முழு ஒத்துழைப்பை அளிப்பதோடு அரசின் நோக்கம் நிறைவேறவும் மின்னணு பொருள் உற்பத்தி விநியோகத்தில் மதிப்பு கூட்டு பொருள்தயாரிப்புக்கும் வழிவகுக்கும்.

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Publication	Tamil Sudar
Quote By	Ashok Chandak

எஸ்கிஐஸ்ட விதிமுறைகளில் மாற்றங்கள் குறித்து வர்த்தக அமைச்சகம் வெளியிட்ட அறிவிப்புக்கு ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ - செமி துறையினர் வரவேற்பு

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சிறப்புப்பொருளாதாரமண்டலவிதிமுறைகள் செமிகண்டக்டர் மற்றும் உத்திரபாகங்களை உற்பத்தி செய்யும் குறு, சிறு மற்றும் நடுத்தர தொழில்கள், ஸ்டார்ட் அப் நிறுவனங்கள் வளர்ச்சியை ஊக்குவிக்கும்: அசோக் சந்தக், தலைவர், ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ மற்றும் செமி இந்தியாசெமி கண்டக்டர் மற்றும் உத்திரபாகங்களை உற்பத்தி செய்யும் துறைகளின் வளர்ச்சியை ஊக்குவிக்கும் வகையில் சிறப்புப்பொருளாதாரமண்டலங்களின் (எஸ்கிஐஸ்ட்) விதிமுறைகளில் மாற்றங்களைக் கொண்டு வந்து வர்த்தக அமைச்சகம் வெளியிட்ட அறிவிக்கையை ஐஇஎஸ்ஏ மற்றும் செமி துறையினர் வரவேற்றுள்ளனர்.

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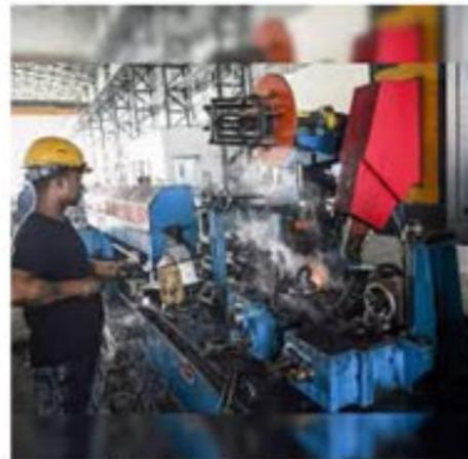
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Quote By	Ashok Chandak

Govt relaxes land norms for chip, electronics SEZs

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The government on Thursday has relaxed the land requirement for special economic zones (SEZs) amid fall in exports and allowed sale of products in domestic tariff area for semiconductors and electronics.

A company to set up an SEZ for making semiconductors or electronic parts, they only need 10 hectares or more of land from present 50 hectares.

The ministry of commerce and industry has made significant changes to the regulatory framework governing India's SEZs to align policy with the evolving needs of high-tech manufacturing sectors, especially semiconductors and electronics, and to improve operational flexibility in land usage and export logistics.

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The government also reduced the minimum land size from 20 to 4 hectares for certain SEZs.

Further, the earlier requirement of having SEZ land to be completely free of any legal claims or debts too has been relaxed. If land is already mortgaged or leased to government or their authorised agen-

cies, it can still be used to set up an SEZ.

However, the reason for allowing this must be clearly mentioned. This change will help developers use more land options, especially in urban areas.

The SEZ units also can export the goods directly outside India, move them to a customs bonded warehouse, sell them in the domestic tariff area by paying required duties, or move them to a free trade and warehousing zone (FTWZ) in the same or a different SEZ. This gives businesses more ways to manage their inventory and reach customers both in India and abroad.

**PRESS RELEASE- SEZ Rule Easing to Boost MSMEs,
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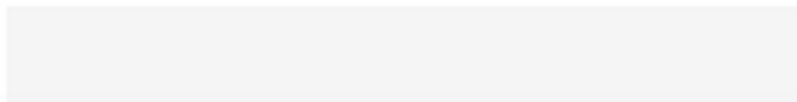
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India Electronics and Semiconductor Association and SEMI, the organiser of Semicon events including Semicon India, said that these reforms will make it significantly easier for companies to establish facilities and scale up production in India's high-tech manufacturing ecosystem.

In a bid to push domestic manufacturing and export of semiconductors and electronics, the Union ministry of commerce and industries has amended the SEZ rules, easing contiguous land area norms for special economic zones (SEZs) that want to engage exclusively in the manufacturing of semiconductors or electronic components.

"Where a special economic zone is exclusively set up for the manufacturing of semiconductors or electronic components, the contiguous land area shall be 10 hectares or more," the commerce ministry's notification said. Earlier, this was 50 hectares.

The notification further said that for the purposes of this provision, the electronic components would include display module sub-assembly, camera module sub-assembly, battery sub-assembly, various types of other module sub-assemblies, printed circuit board, lithium-ion cells for batteries, mobile and information technology hardware components, hearables and wearables.

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India's SEZ Reforms Set to Boost Semiconductor Startups & MSMEs: A Strategic Leap in High-Tech Manufacturing

India revamps SEZ policy to boost electronics and semiconductor manufacturing, unlocking new opportunities for MSMEs and startups in the high-tech sector.

In a major reform poised to transform India's electronics manufacturing landscape, the Ministry of Commerce and the Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY) have introduced critical changes to the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) policy, aiming to bolster the semiconductor and electronic components sector. This progressive move is expected to unlock significant potential for MSMEs and startups operating in the high-tech manufacturing space.

The reforms are being hailed as a landmark shift toward making India a global hub for semiconductor and electronics manufacturing, particularly as the country seeks to reduce its import dependence and build a resilient supply chain.

Key Policy Reforms: A Snapshot

- **Reduction in Minimum Land Area Requirement:** The minimum contiguous land area requirement for SEZs has been slashed from 50 hectares to just 10 hectares, a move that significantly reduces the entry barrier for small and mid-sized enterprises.

- **Use of Encumbered Land Allowed:** Companies can now use encumbered land for setting up SEZ units, a flexibility that addresses long-standing land acquisition challenges, especially in urban and semi-urban areas.

Industry Applauds the Move

Mr. Ashok Chandak, President, IESA and SEMI India, welcomed the notification with optimism:

"IESA and SEMI commend the Ministry of Commerce notification and the support of the Ministry of Electronics & IT for introducing timely reforms to the SEZ framework tailored for the semiconductor and electronics components sector. The relaxation of contiguous land area requirements—from 50 hectares to just 10 hectares—and allowing use of encumbered land are landmark steps. These reforms make it significantly easier for companies to establish facilities and scale production in India's high-tech manufacturing ecosystem. This will help MSMEs and startups to flourish further and boost chip, electronic manufacturing, and investor interest.

By liberalizing the policy and aligning it with the realities of land availability and global competitiveness, the government has reinforced India's ambition to become a global electronics manufacturing destination. These measures will particularly benefit the manufacturing of strategic components such as discrete semiconductors, ICs, PCBs, display and camera modules, battery packs, passive components, and Li-ion cells—core building blocks for devices ranging from smartphones and EVs to data centres.

This is a timely and strategic push that strengthens the 'Design in India to Make in India' mission, and it will help create new investment pipelines, generate employment, and reduce dependence on imports. SEMI and IESA stand ready to support these efforts by working with the industry and the government to enable faster execution and deeper value addition across the electronics value chain."

Why It Matters for MSMEs and Startups

India's electronics and semiconductor ambitions cannot be realized without empowering its micro, small, and medium enterprises. MSMEs and startups form the backbone of the electronics value chain, from component manufacturing to final assembly and R&D.

The revised SEZ norms enable:

- Faster Setup of Fabless Units and Component Plants
- Lower Capital Entry Barrier for Startups
- Increased Participation in Strategic Sectors
- Better Access to Infrastructure and Export Incentives

By allowing smaller and strategically located units to benefit from SEZ incentives—like tax holidays, duty-free imports, and simplified compliance—the policy enhances ease of doing business for newer and smaller players in the sector.

Focus Areas That Will See Direct Impact

These reforms are expected to spur MSME-led growth and innovation in the following key areas:

- Semiconductors & Discrete Components
- Integrated Circuits (ICs)
- Printed Circuit Boards (PCBs)
- Display & Camera Modules
- Battery Packs and Li-ion Cells
- Passive Components (Resistors, Capacitors, Inductors)

Aligning with National Goals

This policy overhaul resonates with India's broader missions:

- Atmanirbhar Bharat (Self-Reliant India)
- Make in India
- Design in India to Make in India
- PLI Scheme for Semiconductors and Electronics

Together, these initiatives provide a robust policy matrix to attract global investors while nurturing domestic talent and entrepreneurship.

The Road Ahead

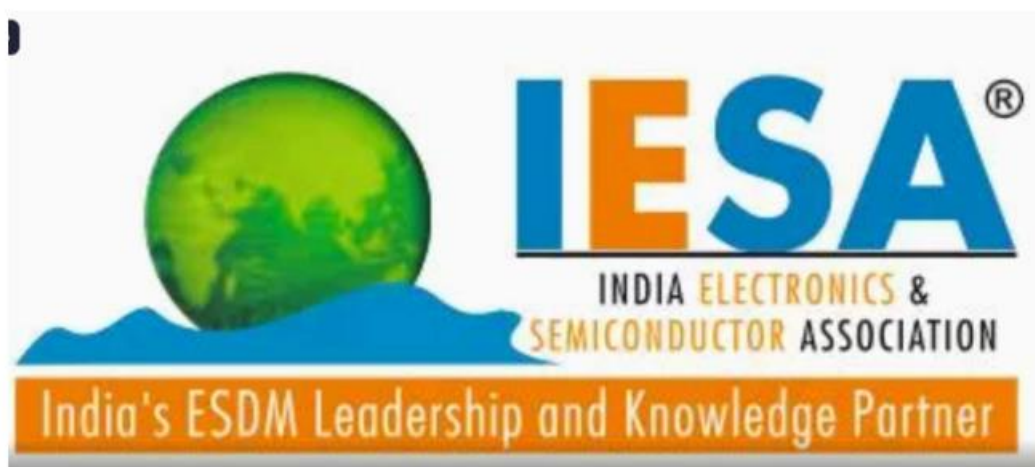
India's SEZ reform marks a pivotal shift in enabling inclusive high-tech industrial growth. It simplifies infrastructure access, invites new-age entrepreneurs, and enhances global investor confidence.

As India prepares to roll out multiple chip fabrication plants, display units, and component ecosystems, the MSME and startup ecosystem will play a foundational role in value creation.

With strategic guidance from industry bodies like IESA and SEMI, and robust policy support from the government, India is well on its way to becoming the next global destination for semiconductor and electronics manufacturing.

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Amid Calls For Deregulation, Government Eases SEZ Rules For Chips, Electronic Manufacturing

Earlier, if SEZs had to set up for chips or electronic components manufacturing, they would require a contiguous land area of 50 hectares. This has now been reduced to 10 hectares.

The government has relaxed land norms for special economic zones which want to exclusively set up manufacturing units for semiconductors or electronic components, according to a gazette notification.

Earlier, if SEZs had to set up for chips or electronic components manufacturing, they would require a contiguous land area of 50 hectares. This has now been reduced to 10 hectares.

The notification specified that electronic components include display module sub-assembly, camera module sub-assembly, battery sub-assembly, various types of other module sub-assemblies, printed circuit board, li-ion cells for batteries, mobile and information technology hardware components, hearables and wearables.

The notification also said the condition of encumbrance-free area can also be eased in cases where the area is mortgaged or leased to the central or state government, or their authorised agency.

"By liberalizing the policy and aligning it with the realities of land availability and global competitiveness, the government has reinforced India's ambition to become a global electronics manufacturing destination," said Ashok Chandak, President, India Electronics and Semiconductor Association.

The latest move by the government ties in with the Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran's calls for deregulation as a lever for growth.

In this year's Economic Survey, Nageswaran and his team wrote that regulations hurt businesses' ability to start and grow over time. "Regulations also hurt workers by discouraging job creation, limiting wages and encouraging informal employment."

The survey called many current regulations "gold-plated", overly complex and unrealistic, which assume excessive compliance capabilities.

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Govt Relaxes SEZ Rules For Semiconductors And Electronics

Chennai: Amidst falling exports from Special Economic Zones, the government has relaxed the land requirement for SEZs and allowed sale of products in Domestic Tariff Area for semiconductors and electronics.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry has made significant changes to the regulatory framework governing India's Special Economic Zones (SEZs) to align policy with the evolving needs of high-tech manufacturing sectors, especially semiconductors and electronics, and to improve operational flexibility in land usage and export logistics.

The new rules will be applicable for electronic components including display screens, camera and battery parts, printed circuit boards (PCBs), lithium-ion battery cells, mobile and IT hardware wearables like smartwatches and hearables like earbuds.

If a company wants to set up an SEZ just for making semiconductors or electronic parts, they only need 10 hectares or more of land. This is a big change that lowers the entry barrier for businesses in the electronics industry. "The relaxation of contiguous land area requirements—from 50 hectares to just 10 hectares—and allowing use of encumbered land are Minimum land size also has been reduced from 20 to 4 hectares for certain SEZs.

Further, the earlier requirement of having SEZ land to be completely free of any legal claims or debts too has been relaxed. If the land is already mortgaged or leased to the central or state government or their authorized agencies, it can still be used to set up an SEZ. However, the reason for allowing this must be clearly mentioned. This change will help developers use more land options, especially in urban areas where clean, unclaimed land is hard to find.

The SEZ units also can export the goods directly outside India, move them to a Customs Bonded Warehouse, sell them in the Domestic Tariff Area by paying the required duties, or move them to a Free Trade and Warehousing Zone (FTWZ) in the same or a different SEZ. This gives businesses more ways to manage their inventory and reach customers both in India and abroad.

The value of both received and supplied goods, even if some of those goods were provided free of cost will be counted. This is important because SEZ units are required to earn net foreign exchange, bringing in more foreign currency than they spend. The value of free goods will now be included in these calculations using standard customs valuation methods. end

INDUSTRY STORY - Centre Approves Micron's INR 13K Cr Semiconductor SEZ In Gujarat

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Centre Approves Micron's INR 13K Cr Semiconductor SEZ In Gujarat

SUMMARY

- The government also approved Aequs's proposal to set up a SEZ in Karnataka's Dharwad with INR 100 Cr investment to manufacture electronic components
- Micron will invest INR 13,000 Cr to set up a SEZ facility across 37.6 hectares in Gujarat's Sanand for manufacturing semiconductors
- The development came days after the Centre liberalised the rules for SEZs to boost semiconductor and electronics manufacturing in the country

Days after the Centre **amended the rules for special economic zones (SEZ)** to boost semiconductor and electronics manufacturing in the country, the Union government has approved the proposals of US-based Micron Semiconductor and Bengaluru-based **Aequs** to set up SEZs for the same.

While the US-based semiconductor company will invest INR 13,000 Cr to set up a SEZ facility across 37.6 hectares in Gujarat's Sanand for manufacturing semiconductors, Aequs will invest INR 100 Cr for a SEZ built across 11.6 hectares in Karnataka's Dharwad to manufacture electronic components, the commerce ministry said.

"The board of approval for SEZs has accorded approval to the proposals received from Micron Semiconductor and Aequs Group for setting up of SEZs for manufacturing of semiconductors and electronic components, respectively," the statement said.

Notably, the Centre made the following amendments in SEZ Rules, 2006 to promote semiconductor and electronic components manufacturing:

Rule 5: SEZ set up exclusively for manufacturing of semiconductors or electronic components will now require only 10 hectares of land area as against 50 hectares earlier.

Rule 7: SEZ can be set up on land which is mortgaged or leased to the Centre or state government or their authorised agencies, thus relaxing the erstwhile requirement of an "encumbrance-free" land.

Rule 53: The value of goods received and supplied on a free-of-cost basis will be included in net foreign exchange (NFE) calculations and assessed using applicable customs valuation rules.

Rule 18: SEZ units in the semiconductor and electronics component manufacturing sector will be allowed to also supply domestically into the domestic tariff area after payment of applicable duties.

The government said that the steps will catalyse the growth of the semiconductor manufacturing ecosystem in India and increase tech-oriented job roles.

The move has been welcomed by the industry. India Electronics and Semiconductors Association's (IESA) president Ashok Chandak believes that the policy reforms make it easier for companies to establish facilities and chip and electronic manufacturing production in the country.

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What Are Micron & Aequs Up To?

The development comes at a time when Micron is looking to aggressively expand its operations in India.

In 2023, the Nasdaq-listed company announced its plans to build an assembly and test facility in Sanand. The new facility, whose construction is expected to culminate after two phases, will enable assembly and test manufacturing for both DRAM (dynamic random access memory) and NAND products and address demand from domestic and international markets.

The company's investment will be up to \$825 Mn over the two phases of the project and aims to create up to 5,000 new direct jobs.

Back then, Micron said it would receive 50% of the fiscal support for the total project cost from the Centre's "Modified Assembly, Testing, Marking and Packaging (ATMP) Scheme" as well as a 20% of the total project cost from the Gujarat government.

"The combined investment by Micron and the two government entities over the course of both phases will be up to \$2.75 Bn. Government support will help fund the project and facilitate access to essential semiconductor infrastructure and resources to drive innovation and enhance local talent development," Micron said then.

In August 2024, the government started [disbursing the costs to Micron](#). Back then, MeitY secretary S Krishnan said the plant would be operational by December 2025.

Meanwhile, for Aequs, the approval comes at a time when it is heading for an IPO. Last week, the contract manufacturing company took the confidential route to [file its DRHP with the SEBI for a \\$200 Mn IPO](#).

Founded in 2006 by Aravind Melligeri, Aequs is a diversified contract manufacturing startup catering to the needs of entities operating in the aerospace, toys and consumer durable goods industries. It operates manufacturing units across India, France, and the US, and counts Airbus, Boeing, Safran, Dassault and Collings Aerospace among its clients.

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As India pushes to become semiconductor hub, success hinges on more than incentives

India is rapidly positioning itself as a global semiconductor hub, with both Central and State governments rolling out incentive packages to attract investment. Besides the Centre's 50 per cent capex support under the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM), states like Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, and Assam are offering additional benefits—ranging from infrastructure support to single-window clearances, creating a race to become the country's next chip manufacturing destination. However, success will depend not just on incentives, but on faster approvals, robust infrastructure, and a long-term focus on chip design and R&D.

Most States have a semiconductor policy framework, with variations in the scale and nature of financial and infra-related support. The capital expenditure (capex) subsidy provided by states typically ranges between 25 per cent and 50 per cent of the central incentive offered under ISM by MeitY. Additionally, support for land, power, water, and housing differs from State to State, explained Ashok Chandak, President of SEMI India & IESA.

States like Gujarat, Assam, UP, Odisha, and Madhya Pradesh offer comparable incentive packages, sometimes extending semiconductor-specific capex incentives above existing industrial policies. For instance, Assam offers support under its general industrial policy as well as through targeted schemes for Semiconductors and Electronic Components.

Currently, the majority of investment is flowing into Gujarat, followed by Assam and Uttar Pradesh, based on projects approved under ISM. Some states—including Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, and Maharashtra—have announced projects, yet to receive ISM approval.

Among the States, Gujarat offers a 40 per cent top-up on the central capex incentive, equating to 20 per cent of the overall project cost. UP provides a 50 per cent top-up, effectively covering half of the total project expenditure. Odisha extends a similar 50 per cent top-up for ISM-approved projects and 30 per cent of project capex for others, with subsidies disbursed on a pari passu basis. Tamil Nadu also follows the pari passu model and provides a 50 per cent top-up on the central capex incentive.

In the broader electronics manufacturing space, Andhra Pradesh offers 20–25 per cent of fixed capital investment (FCI) with a cap of ₹20–25 crore, while Telangana provides a 20 per cent investment subsidy capped at ₹30 crore. Karnataka extends a 20 per cent subsidy on plant and machinery, and Maharashtra offers 25 per cent of FCI.

“Several States have launched dedicated semiconductor manufacturing policies, reflecting a competitive spirit and a unified national vision to attract global investments and expand our semiconductor footprint. Gujarat and Assam have taken an early lead with significant project announcements and investments, and at least 10 states now have semiconductor or related manufacturing projects underway. This is increasing investor interest, broadening the ecosystem, and accelerating India’s journey towards self-reliance and global leadership in chip manufacturing,” Chandak said.

Tailored approach

However, States must identify that semiconductor manufacturing requires a tailored approach. This sector demands uninterrupted power supply, high-quality water, and well-connected, accessible locations, said HCL co-founder Dr Ajai Chowdhry, also the Founder & Chairman, of EPIC Foundation, and Chairman-Mission Governing Board, of National Quantum Mission (NQM).

Since setting up a semiconductor plant is time-intensive, approvals and clearances must be fast-tracked from the outset. States like Gujarat have adopted a single-window clearance system that enables quicker approvals. In contrast, others follow a fragmented process—directing investors to different departments for land, utilities, and other clearances, which can delay projects by three to six months.

“The speed of approval is essential in this business because the equipment acquisition time is longer. This is an area where States need to establish different policies and provide for quick approval. Also, most cases have international partners who don’t like delays.”

On the other hand, while India is gaining recognition as a trusted alternative to countries like China, it lags behind established players like Malaysia and Singapore, which have built their semiconductor ecosystems for over 25 years.

However, the country has started gaining momentum, largely due to marquee investments like Micron’s entry, along with the active participation of domestic giants including Tata and HCL. These large corporates are helping build credibility and attracting global partners to join India’s growing semiconductor landscape.

India is also leading the incentive race globally, Chowdhry added.

"To complete the picture, there should be at least three or four silicon fabs. Currently, we have only one. The second thing is we have approval for four OSAT plots. And for compound semiconductor manufacturing, we need at least two compound fabs. Then we need at least one display fab. This is what the ISM will work on next -- they will bring in compound semiconductor and display fabs, and advanced packaging."

VLSI design talent pool

India has the world's second-largest VLSI design talent pool, but most designers serve global markets. To build a secure and self-reliant semiconductor ecosystem, India must develop domestic chip design companies and manufacture chips locally—especially to reduce dependence on Chinese imports, which pose data security risks. Creating an internal market is critical to the industry's success.

With strategic investments, a growing design ecosystem, and policy momentum, India is laying the groundwork for a resilient semiconductor value chain. But sustaining this growth will require faster execution, and a continued focus on talent, infrastructure, and R&D. If these elements align, India could well transform from a design powerhouse into a global manufacturing hub in the years to come, he added.

**INDUSTRY STORY - Alarms ring at speaker, wearables,
TV makers on Chinese rare-earth squeeze**

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'Chinese threat' that made Donald Trump make deal with China is now worrying TV, speaker, smartwatch and other electronics makers in India



China's control over critical minerals, also called Rare earth metals/minerals, is reportedly a powerful bargaining chip in trade talks, as seen in recent US-China discussions. By easing export restrictions, China can secure concessions, such as tariff relief or relaxed visa policies, as hinted in negotiations where Trump claimed progress on access to Chinese magnets and minerals.

The America's reliance on China for these minerals is seen as a strategic vulnerability. In April, China reportedly restricted rare earth mineral exports in response to Trump's tariff increases. The export restrictions on rare earth minerals is said to have made President Donald Trump furious. On June 11, Trump announced on Truth Social that China agreed to supply the U.S. with these minerals as part of a trade deal, calling it "done".

Rare Metal worries 'come to India'

Similar worries about rare earth metals has reportedly come closer home. China's export controls on rare earth metals, particularly Terbium and Dysprosium used in Neodymium-iron-boron (NdFeB) magnets, is reportedly creating panic among speakers, wearables, and television and some other consumer electronic manufacturers in India. According to a report in Economic Times, China's export control licensing of rare earth metals is worrying electronics companies who are sitting on thin supplies of permanent magnets with the threat of production coming to a standstill looming large, industry executives and associations said.

Among the seven rare earth metals facing restricted exports, Terbium and Dysprosium are critical components in Neodymium-Iron-Boron (NdFeB) magnets, or permanent magnets, which is the preferred choice for high-performance, portable and compact audio products. These magnets are said to be vital for high-performance audio products, constitute 5-7% of the bill of materials, with India importing nearly 100% from China, per ELCINA's whitepaper.

ELCINA warned that the inability to procure NdFeB magnets could halt speaker production in Noida, Chennai, and Pune, potentially forcing OEMs to import finished speakers, undermining the "Make in India" initiative. Chinese port delays, requiring end-use declarations, are further disrupting speaker assembly units, delaying supplies to domestic TV and audio brands.

According to the report, the industry body has claimed that shipments of magnets and even finished products with embedded magnets are being stopped at Chinese ports, pending end-use declarations. This is leading to production disruptions of speaker assembly units in India, delaying supplies to customers including domestic TV and audio brands.

Indian manufacturers and importers are seeking government-issued end-use certificates to meet Chinese export requirements. IESA president Ashok Chandak attributed the crisis partly to India's lack of local processing capabilities and overreliance on imports, despite having critical mineral reserves. He told ET that the current situation can be partially blamed on Indian manufacturers who ignored the risk back in 2020.

Since China's April export control announcement, magnet prices have risen 15%, with costs doubling when sourced from Japan, Vietnam, or recycled Indian suppliers, per ELCINA's analysis.

What are '17 Elements' called Rare Earth Minerals

Rare earth minerals are a group of 17 elements, including Scandium, Yttrium, and the 15 Lanthanides, found in the Earth's crust. Despite their name, they are relatively abundant, but extracting and processing them is complex, costly, and environmentally damaging. These minerals are critical for high-tech industries, powering everything from smartphone screens and electric vehicle motors to defense systems and medical devices.

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"Inability to procure NdFeB magnets may halt speaker manufacturing lines in Noida, Chennai, and Pune. OEMs may switch to importing finished speakers, reversing the gains made under Make in India," ELCINA said.

Shipments of magnets and even finished products with embedded magnets are being stopped at Chinese ports, pending end-use declarations. This is leading to production disruptions of speaker assembly units in India, delaying supplies to customers including domestic TV and audio brands, the industry body said.

Arjun Bajaj, director at TV maker Videotex, confirmed that there have been delays from their supplier side due to non-availability and delayed shipments of permanent magnets from China. This has disrupted their product roadmap, fuelling the search for alternatives and solutions.

"We are working closely with our suppliers to ensure adequate stock for the upcoming season, thereby maintaining production continuity," Bajaj said. "Additionally, based on supplier guidance, we are actively exploring alternative solutions such as ferrite magnets, which offer reasonable performance trade-offs," he

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Another TV manufacturer Super Plastronics Pvt. Ltd. that sources speakers from Indian contract manufacturers, said Chinese exporters have been waiting for over 60 days for license approval.

"If imports are impacted, consumers will suffer on sound quality as there is no alternative with that compact size to have that kind of sound output," said Avneet Singh Marwah, CEO at SPPL.

Speaker maker Sunvoice Electronics currently has only one month's stock till July, which is sufficient for current production, but will bring production to a halt unless its customers approve the use of inferior alternatives such as ferrite magnets.

"We will not be able to manufacture speakers. We have started looking for alternatives such as ferrite magnets, even though they are of inferior quality, as a short-term mitigation strategy. For standalone loud-speakers, magnets make up almost 50% of the cost of production," said Chacko Mathew, CMD, Sunvoice Electronics, which supplies to Dixon Technologies, Videotex, Panasonic and more.

"But this is a compromise. Ferrite magnets, while cheaper, are also heavier and do not offer the same sound quality as Neodymium," he added.

Speaker manufacturers and importers have approached the government for end-use certificates required as part of the Chinese exporter's license approval process where they must provide extensive traceability documentation.

Ashok Chandak, president, India Electronics and Semiconductors Association (IESA), said the current situation can be partially blamed on Indian manufacturers who ignored the risk back in 2020.

"While several countries, including India, possess reserves of critical minerals, the lack of local processing capabilities—largely due to economic viability and limited market size (often just a few hundred million USD per material)—has led to an overdependence on imports," he said.

Following the announcement of export control in April, prices of China-origin magnets have increased by 15% due to tightened supply, Mathew said, adding that ongoing negotiations with suppliers indicate that if import resumes, costs will remain elevated.

However, prices of permanent magnets almost double when sourced from Japan, Vietnam, and even when procuring recycled magnets from Indian companies, while availability is limited and inconsistent, according to a price analysis done by ELCINA.