



DGFT Revises SCOMET List under Export Policy

On 23 September 2025, the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, issued Notification No. 31/2025-26, announcing a revision to the SCOMET (Special Chemicals, Organisms, Materials, Equipment and Technologies) list under Appendix-3 of Schedule-II (Export Policy) of ITC(HS) 2022.

Key Revisions in the 2025 SCOMET List

The 2025 update introduces significant changes across categories to address emerging technologies and strengthen non-proliferation measures. These updates make India's export control rules stricter and more aligned with global standards like the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) and the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC). The major revisions are summarised below:

- A major addition is Category 7, which addresses emerging technologies. India has notified the items that are beyond the controlled list of the Wassenaar Agreement under this category. This includes quantum computing systems with at least 34 qubits and controlled error rates, cryogenic complementary metal-oxide-semiconductor integrated circuits, advanced lithography tools with minimum resolvable feature sizes of 45 nanometres or less, and additive manufacturing under vacuum conditions. This enables India to tightly monitor emerging sensitive technologies as well as take the benefit of applicable waivers from the partner countries.
- Category 6 broadens its scope to cover directed energy weapon systems such as laser weapon systems, high-power radio frequency weapon systems, and particle beam weapon systems. It also now incorporates sub-orbital crafts and related equipment, among aircraft and UAVs.
- Category 3 introduces new controls on Peptide synthesizers that are partly or entirely automated and capable of generating peptides at a 'system synthesis scale' of 1 mmol or greater.
- Finally, Category 8 now includes Metal alloy powder or particulate material made via Ultrasonic atomisation.

These updates are supported by revised technical notes, expanded definitions, and new terminology for quantum technologies, additive manufacturing, and information security, reflecting India's commitment to controlling sensitive technologies while enabling legitimate trade.





Guidance to Exporters

The revised list is available on the DGFT website under "Regulatory Updates", "Import, Export and SCOMET Policy." (<https://www.dgft.gov.in/CP/?opt=itchs-import-export>). The changes will come into force 30 days from the date of issuance (i.e., late October 2025), providing adequate transition time for industry stakeholders. Exporters dealing in dual-use items and sensitive technologies must review the updated SCOMET list and adjust their compliance processes accordingly. The notification emphasizes the importance of adhering to licensing requirements to avoid penalties under the Foreign Trade Act.

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