

**Ministry of Steel
Technical Division**

Dated 21st October, 2020

Information on Technical Committee Meetings in 3rd Quarter of 2020-21

Ministry of Steel has constituted a Technical Committee for examination and analysis of the applications received for issuance of clarifications, whether the products are covered under the purview of the Steel and Steel Products (Quality Control) Order, 2020 notified on 17th July, 2020:

1. The 35th meeting of the Technical Committee was held on 13th October, 2020. The details of the applications examined, analyzed and summary of the recommendations are as follows :

| No. of applications Examined & Analyzed | No. of applications declared Outside SQCO | No. of applications found covered under SQCO | Rejected / Closed/ Deferred | Outside Scope of MoS/ Technical Committee |
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| 285 | 233 | 35 | 13 | 04 |

2. **The next meeting is scheduled on 27th October, 2020. In this regard, the following may be noted:**
 - **All the applications for clarification/ exemption are to be submitted through the QCO portal at URL: <http://tc-qco.steel.gov.in/tc-qco>. Application(s) submitted to the Ministry through the aforesaid QCO portal by 5:00 PM of 26.10.2020 shall only be considered by the Technical Committee in the upcoming Technical Committee Meeting.**
 - Applicants are advised to read “**HOW TO USE QCO PORTAL**” available in the said QCO Portal to understand how applications are to be submitted.
 - For applications seeking “**Clarification in Advance**”, valid and legible Copy of the Mill Test Certificates (MTC) indicating Certificate/Heat number, Specification Copy of International Standards & Company Specifications and Product Photograph must be uploaded.
 - For applications in which the material is in transit, in addition to the above, legible copy of all relevant documents viz. Invoice, Bill of lading, Actual Mill Test Certificates etc. shall be submitted. In case the material reaches the port of destination, in addition to the above documents Bill of Entry, is also required to be submitted. In repeat cases, a copy of the previous clarifications (Previous

NoC) from the Ministry of Steel must be submitted while submitting the application.

- For the applications in which raw material MTC is also required (eg. in case of pipes/tubes), applicants shall combine both raw material MTC and actual product MTC as one pdf and upload it on qco portal while submitting the applications.
- While reapplying against the “Technically Rejected” applications, applicants are advised to address the communicated reasons for rejection properly, failing which the said applications shall be liable to permanent rejection.
- No special requests shall be entertained.
- For any query please contact at 011-23063550.
