

### ***SAPTA Arrangement***

SAPTA, SAARC preferential Trading Arrangement is Trade arrangement formulated by seven South Asian Countries, i.e., India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan and Maldives on the basis of awareness that expansion of trade in South Asian region could act as a powerful stimulus to the development of region's economy. The Agreement was signed on 11<sup>th</sup> April 1993 and entered into force on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 1995. At present, the relevant Indian Customs notification in this regard is Notification No. 105/99 – Cus dated 10.8.1999 and goods are exempted from so much of that portion of the applied rate of duty of customs as given below : The details of textile items covered under SAPTA are given below :

<b>Description of goods</b>	<b>HS code</b>	<b>Extent tariff concession (% of applied rate of duty)</b>	<b>Beneficiary Countries</b>
All goods	5201,5205,5206, 5207	10%	Countries in Appendix – I.
All goods	52.01,52.02,52.03, 52.04,52.05,52.06, 52.07,52.08 (except 5208.12, 5208.13,5208.41,5 208.42, and 5208.43) 52.09, 52.10 (except 5210.12) 52.11, 52.12	50%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	5208.12, 5208.13, 5208.41,5208.42, 5208.43, 5210.12	60%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	53 (except 53.07 and 53.10) 53.07, 53.10	50%	Countries in Appendix – II

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All goods	54.01,54.02,(except 5402.20), 54.03,54.04,54.05, 54.06,54.07 (except 5407.10, 5407.20, and 5407.30) 54.08	50%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	5402.20, 5407.10,5407.20,5407.30	60%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	56(except 5607.10)	50%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	5607.10	60%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	5702.39	60%	Countries in Appendix – II

All goods	58 (except 5802.19, 5802.20, and 5802.30)	50%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	5802.19, 5802.20, 5802.30	60%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	61.01, 61.02, 6103.21, 6103.31, 61.04 (except 6104.32, 6104.33, and 6104.39), 6105.10, 61.06, 6108.31, 6108.32, 6108.39, 6108.91, 6108.92, 6108.99, 6109.90, 61.10 (except 6110.90) 6111.10, 61.12 (except 6112.11 and 6112.20) 6114.10, 61.15, 61.16, 61.17.	50%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	61.03,(except 6103.21 and 6103.31), 6104.32, 6104.33, 6104.39, 6105.20, 6105.90, 61.07, 6108.11, 6108.19, 6108.21, 6108.22, 6108.29, 6109.10, 6110.90, 61.11 (except 6111.10), 6112.11, 6112.20, 61.13, 61.14 (except 6114.41)	60%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	62.01, 62.02, 6203.11, 6203.21, 6203.22, 6203.31, 62.04 (except 6204.32, 6204.33 and 6204.39)	50%	Countries in Appendix – II

	62.05, 62.06, 6207.22, 62.08 (except 6208.11 and 6208.19) 6209.10, 6209.20, 62.14 (except 6214.10), 62.15, 62.16, 62.17		
All goods	62.03 (except 6203.11, 6203.21, 6203.22 and 6203.31), 6204.32, 6204.33, 6204.39, 62.07 (except 6207.22) 6208.11, 6208.19, 6209.30, 6209.90, 62.10, 62.11, 62.12, 62.13	60%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	63.01,6302.21, 6302.22, 63.03, 6304.19, 6304.92, 6304.93, 6304.99, 6305.32, 63.06, 63.07, 63.08, 63.09, 63.10	50%	Countries in Appendix – II
All goods	63.02, (except 6302.21 and 6302.22), 6304.11, 6304.91, 63.05 (except 6305.32)	60%	Countries in Appendix – II

<b>Appendix</b>	<b>Countries</b>
<b>I.</b>	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka.
<b>II.</b>	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal