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Hon'ble Prime Minister
South Block, Raisina Hill,
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Respected Hon'ble Shri Narendra Modi ji,

Subject: Sustaining Swaatch Bharat – Swasth Bharat during and post COVID 19 Pandemic

CG Soap & Detergent Manufacturers Association , The Indian Home and Personal Care Industry Association (IHPCIA) members meet the needs for home care products for over 90% of consumers in India. Our members influence also extends to number of geographies globally and the Association is also a member of the International Network of Cleaning Products.

Our members actively support your Swaatch Bharat and Swastha Bharat programs and our Cleaning for a Purpose initiative is aimed at washing hands to stay safe and hygienic during normal times and during the pandemic.

The Home and Personal care industry has a strong dependence on the Chemical and Petrochemical industry for sustained supply of raw materials and packaging materials as they contribute a major percentage of material inputs for cleaning, sanitising and disinfection. At this time and during the prevalent COVID 19 pandemic working together with all Industry groups is of extreme importance.

We have information through a circular issue by CHEMEXCIL (under Ministry of Commerce) of a committee under Ministry of Chemicals and Petrochemical proposing a 15% COVID tax on import of Chemicals under specific chapters of the Customs Classification to safeguard the domestic Industry. This circular is attached.

On behalf of our members, we oppose any additional import duty as this will impact all our members and consumers at large who will have to pay a higher price. This will be contradictory to the need of the hour of providing affordable solutions and increasing the use of home care products. We fully support the make in India drive and the objective of being self-sufficient in the near to medium term and can discuss specific steps and set up a task force for interaction with the concerned ministries of Finance, Commerce and Trade and Chemicals & Petrochemicals and Civil supplies to develop the "Swadeshi first" plan. This will also factor growth of exports to meet the challenges posed by COVID 19

We seek your intervention and instructions to the concerned Ministry of Chemicals and Petrochemicals to refrain from unilateral actions without consulting or in concurrence with all the stake holders.

Respectively yours

For CG Soap & Detergent Manufacturers Association


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