Rules of origin

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What are the Rules of Origin? Preferential vs Non preferential Business significance

Structure

Preferential Rules of Origin

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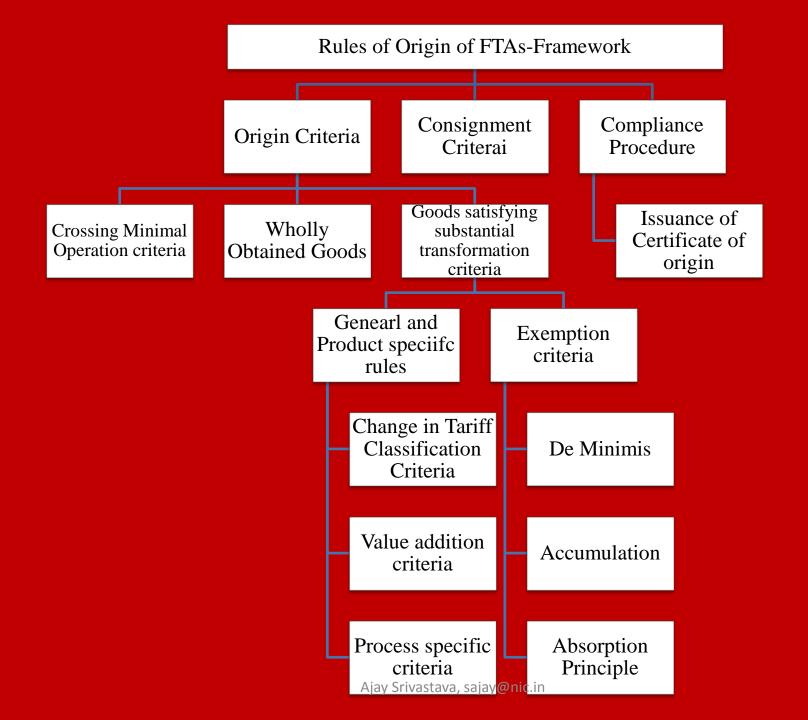
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- India has signed an FTA with ASEAN. Can I import raw material from Indonesia without paying any import duty?
- What is cumulation of production and how does it help in improving market access for my product?
- If I use raw material imported under India-ASEAN FTA from Indonesia for producing and then exporting the product to China, Malaysia and S. Korea, what are the conditions that must be satisfied?



 I have imported inputs under an FTA. What are the conditions that will apply on (I) sale of such imported input, (II) product manufactured using imported inputs.

 Can third country products enter Indian market without any further processing via ASEAN countries using India -ASEAN FTA provisions?



With Sri Lanka, India has signed 4 Trade agreements. How do I decide which agreement is most beneficial to my products?

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Thank you for your attention

OVERVIEW OF TARIFF REDUCTION FOR ALL TARIFF LINES Example-India-Japan FTA

Under India-Japan FTA, tariffs are reduced or eliminated on 86% of Japan's tariff lines and 86 % of India's tariff lines. Category wise details are as follows:

JAPAN'S TARIFF REDUCTION ON IMPORTS FROM INDIA

Category	Years when duty	Number of	% Tariff
	will become zero	HS(8) lines	Lines
Α	0	7029	77.6
B7	7	46	0.5
B10	10	450	5
B15	15	77	0.85
X	Exclusion	1238	13.68

EXAMPLE-TARIFF REDUCTION FOR INDIVIDUAL TARIFF LINE

The following product is an example of Gradual reduction of duties leading to elimination.

Product			lead acid accumulators –HS code 85072000				
FTA			India - South Korea Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)				
Exporting Country India			India				
Imp	Importing country(FTA		S. Korea				
benefit granting country)							
Duty Type		Ad Valorem(AV)					
Details of Duty Saving							
S.	Year	Import	MFN rate -	Preferential	Preferential	Potential tariff	
No.		value	%	rate - %	Duty	savings US\$ on	
		US \$				US\$100 Exports	
1	1-Jan-12		8.00	3.20	3.20	4.80	
2	1-Jan-13	100.00	8.00	1.60	1.60	6.40	
3	30-Sep-13	100.00	8.00	1.60	1.60	6.40	
4	1-Jan-14	100.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	
5	1-Jan-15	100.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	
Recomendation Exports under the FTA result in duty saving.							

What	is	a	Free	trade	Agreement?
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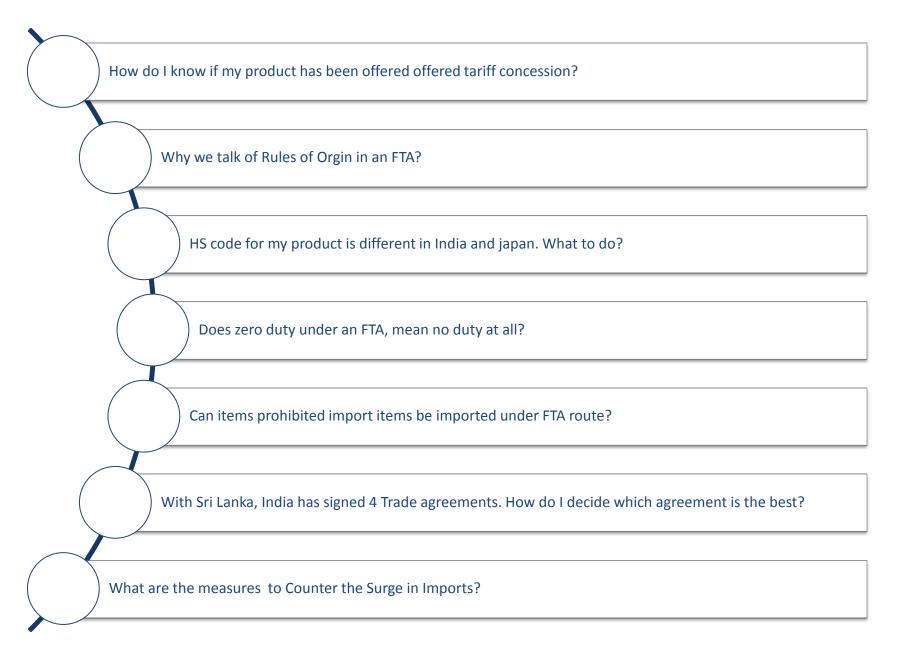
Results of an FTA	Reduction/elimination of tariffs and nontariff barriers on imports from partner country
	Easing or removing quantitative import restrictions

Improved customs procedures

Improved market access for commercial and professional services

Easier entry for Professionals

Better investment rules.



FTA coverage	Trade in Goods	Goods-Agriculture and industrial products Rules of Origin Trade Remedies-Anti Dumping Dispute Settlement Sanitary and PhytoSanitary(SPS) and Technical Barriers to Trade(TBT)	
		Trade Facilitation	
	Other Areas	Trade in Services-Commercial and other Services	
		Investment	
		Intellectual Property Rights(IPR)	
		Other areas-like Government Procurement	

Why consider exporting under an FTA?

As a business firm, how do I gain from the FTAs signed by my country?

How exporting under an FTAs may save money?

What questions, an exporter must address to incorporare FTAs in an Export firm's strategy?

What questions should a domestic manufacturer address to ascertain the impact of FTAs on business?

Impact of an FTA on domestic consumers?