What's New

Regulatory Insights

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RBI notifies Foreign Exchange Management (Export of Goods and Services) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2025

In brief

The Foreign Exchange Department, Reserve Bank of India (RBI), has amended the Foreign Exchange Management (Export of Goods and Services) Regulations, 2015 (Principal regulations) *vide* the Foreign Exchange Management (Export of Goods and Services) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2025 (Amended regulations), notified[1] on 13 November 2025. The amended provisions provide an extended timeline for the realisation of export proceeds and an enhanced period for receipt of advance payment.

In detail

Comparison of the previous provisions with the amended provisions

Sl. No.	Basis	Principal regulations	Amended regulations
1.	Time period for realisation of proceeds for export	The amount representing the full export value of goods, software and services exported will be realised and repatriated to India within **nine months** from the date of export.	The amount representing the full export value of goods, software and services exported will be realised and repatriated to India within **15 months** from the date of export.
		For exports by Special Economic Zone units, Status Holder exporters, Export Oriented Units and units in Electronics Hardware Technology Parks, Software Technology Parks and Bio-Technology Parks, the full export value must be realised and repatriated to India	For exports by Special Economic Zone units, Status Holder exporters, Export Oriented Units and units in Electronics Hardware Technology Parks, Software Technology Parks and Bio-Technology Parks, the full export value must be realised and repatriated to India

[1] Notification No. F. No. FEMA 23(R)/2025-RB

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		within **nine months** from the date of export.	within **15 months** from the date of export.
2.	Time period for exports against advance receipt of payment	Goods must be shipped within **one year** in case of receipt of advance payment for export. Moreover, if the goods are not shipped within **one year**, any refund of the unused advance or payment of interest would require prior RBI approval.	Goods must be shipped within **three years** in case of receipt of advance payment for export. Furthermore, if the goods are not shipped within **three years**, any refund of the unused advance or payment of interest would require prior RBI approval.
		An exporter can accept advance payment if the export contract specifically allows for shipments to be made beyond **one year** after receiving the advance.	An exporter can accept advance payment if the export contract specifically allows for shipments to be made beyond **three years** after receiving the advance.

The takeaways

The Amended regulations, as described, represent a significant liberalisation of India's export regulations. By extending the realisation period for export proceeds to 15 months (*from existing nine months*) and providing a three-year (*from existing one-year*) window for exports against advance receipt of payments, these amendments offer greater operational flexibility, reduces regulatory friction and enhances the global competitiveness of Indian exporters.

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