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# National Conference on Strategic Trade Controls NCSTC 2026

## Agenda



15th January, 2026



Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi



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9:00 hrs onwards : Registrations & Entry for Participants, and Tour of Exhibition for Speakers

Time	Session
	<b>Lighting of Lamp</b>
	<b>Inaugural Session</b>
10:00 – 10:08 Hrs	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Ms. Muanpuui Saiawi Joint Secretary, Disarmament and International Security Affairs (D&ISA), MEA
10:08 – 10:16 Hrs	<b>Welcome Address</b> Shri Lav Agarwal DG, DGFT
10:16 – 10:24 Hrs	<b>Industry Perspective on Strategic Trade</b> Shri Ajay Sahai Director General & CEO, FIEO
10:24 – 10:32 Hrs	<b>Special Remarks</b> Shri Sanjeev Kumar IAS Secretary, Department of Defence Production (DDP)
10:32 – 10:40 Hrs	<b>Special Remarks</b> Shri Vivek Chaturvedi, Chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)
10:40 – 10:50 Hrs	<b>Keynote Address</b> Shri Rajesh Agrawal Commerce Secretary
10:50 – 10:55 Hrs	<b>Release of the Updated Handbook on India's STC System</b>
10:55 – 11:05 Hrs	<b>Vote of Thanks</b> Shri Rakesh Kumar, Additional DGFT
11:05 – 11:40 Hrs	High Tea





### Thematic Session 1

(India's Strategic Trade Control System, SCOMET Policy, Licensing Process and Enforcement Mechanism for Dual Use Items)

11:40 – 11:55 Hrs	<b>Overview and Approach on India's Strategic Trade Controls</b> Mr. Pravin Vinod, OSD (D&ISA), MEA
11:55 – 12:10 Hrs	<b>India's Dual Use Export Control – SCOMET Policy, Licensing Process and General Authorizations</b> Mr. Moin Afaque, Joint DGFT (SCOMET), MoC&I
12:10 – 12:25 Hrs	<b>Enforcement of India's Strategic Trade Controls and Case Studies</b> Mr. Gurbaz Sandhu, Additional Director, DRI – CBIC, MoF
12:25 – 12:30 Hrs	Session Transition

### Thematic Session 2

(Compliance in Strategic Trade & SCOMET and Supply Chain Security)

12:30 – 12:45 Hrs	<b>STC enabling Trade and Economic Development</b> Dr. Crystal D. Pryor, Senior Research Fellow, Center for Policy Research, University at Albany (SUNY), U.S.
12:45 – 13:00 Hrs	<b>AEO and Supply Chain Security</b> Mr. Akhil Kumar Khatri, Chief Commissioner, DIC – CBIC.
13:00 – 13:10 Hrs	<b>ITT Compliance by Industry</b> Mr. Prashant Kulkarni, Senior Consultant, Tata Consultancy Service
13:10 – 13:20 Hrs	<b>Q&amp;A related to Thematic Sessions 1 &amp; 2</b>
13:20 – 14:20 Hrs	<b>Networking Lunch</b>



<b>Thematic Session 3</b> (Compliance and Industry Perspective in Electronics, IT & Emerging Technologies and Strategic Trade)	
14:20 – 14:35 Hrs	<b>European Perspective on Emerging Technologies and STC – Governance and Industry Strategy</b> Dr. Branislav Aleksic, Expert, EU Export Control Programme for Dual-Use Goods (EU P2P)
14:35 – 15:05 Hrs	<b>Panel Discussion – Electronics, IT &amp; Emerging Technologies industries</b> (Moderated by Ms. Ameeta Verma Duggal, Partner, DGS Associates)  1. Mr. Manish Hooda, Director (Technology), ISM 2. Mr. Kishore Balaji Desikachari, Executive Director, IBM 3. Mr. Atul Lall, Vice Chairman, DIXON Technologies 4. Ms. Ujjwala Jeremiah, Senior Director, Flextronics
15:05 – 15:10 Hrs	Session Transition

<b>Thematic Session 4</b> (Compliance and Perspective of Academia & Research Institutes and Strategic Trade)	
15:10 – 15:25 Hrs	<b>Internal Compliance in Academia and Role of relevant Stakeholders</b> Ms. Mikiko Noritake, Deputy Executive Senior Researcher, CISTEC (Center for Information on Security Trade Control), Japan
15:25 – 15:55 Hrs	<b>Panel Discussion – Academia &amp; Research Institutes</b> (Moderated by Ms. Garima Prakash, Manager, Public Policy at 3rditech )  1. Dr. Sithu Sudarsan, ED, CDAC – Quantum Technologies 2. Mr. Jaspreet Sidhu, CEO, NCAMF – Additive Manufacturing 3. Dr. Sandeep Mahajan, Scientist-E, MeiT 4. Mr. Atul Agarwal, CEO, Aspirify
15:55 – 16:20 Hrs	<b>Tea Break</b>





### Thematic Session 5

(Compliance and Industry Perspective in Chemicals & Biotech sectors and Strategic Trade)

16:20 – 17:00 Hrs	<p><b>Panel Discussion – Chemicals &amp; Biotech sectors</b> (Moderated by Dr. Joshua Ebenezer, Customs and Trade Law Expert)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mr. Manoj Kumar Sahoo, Adviser, NACWC</li><li>2. Dr. Nitin Kumar Jain, Scientist-G, DBT</li><li>3. Mr. Raghuveer Kini, DG – Chemexcil</li><li>4. Ms. Sonia Gandhi, Head RAPA Division, BIRAC</li><li>5. Mr. Snehal Patel, Director, Sandhya Organic Chemicals Private Ltd.</li></ol>
17:00 – 17:05 Hrs	Session Transition

### Thematic Session 6

(Compliance and Industry Perspective in Aerospace sector and Strategic Trade)

17:05 – 17:40 Hrs	<p><b>Panel Discussion – Aerospace Industry</b> (Moderated by Ms. Smitha Bhat, Aerospace Industry Compliance Expert)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mr. Yudhishtir J, Assistant Director, IN-SPACE</li><li>2. Mr. Smit Shah, President – Drone Federation of India</li><li>3. Gp Capt TH Anand Rao (Retd), Executive Consultant, ISpA</li><li>4. Mr. Tushar Goyal, Program Manager, Pixxel Space</li><li>5. Mr. Ankit Gupta, Associate Vice President – Compliance, Asteria Aerospace Ltd.</li></ol>
17:40 – 17:45 Hrs	Session Transition



<b>Thematic Session 7</b> (Compliance and Industry Perspective in Defence sector and Strategic Trade)	
17:45 – 18:00 Hrs	<b>India's Defence Export Control – SOP, Licensing Process and General Licenses</b> Mr. Kuldeep Parwal, Director(P&C), DDP, MoD
18:00 – 18:30 Hrs	<b>Panel Discussion – Defence sector</b> (Moderated by Mr Sanjay Notani, Senior Partner, Economic Laws Practice)  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mr. Pankaj Chadha, EVP &amp; Head – Marine Platforms, Equipment and Systems Business, , Larsen &amp; Toubro, PES IC</li><li>2. Mr. Ashok Wadhawan, Joint President &amp; Head, Adani Defence Systems</li><li>3. Mr. Mukesh Mohan Gupta, President, Chamber of Indian Micro Small and Medium Enterprises</li><li>4. Mr. Phani Koundinya, Vice President, Strategy &amp; BD, Bharat Forge Ltd</li></ol>
18:30 – 18:45 Hrs	Q&A related to Thematic Sessions 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
18:45 – 18:50 Hrs	Concluding Remarks for NCSTC 2026
18:50 Onwards	Dinner

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