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**Sub.: Import of Second-hand Multi-Function Printers.**

Dear Mr. Arun,

1. With regard to your above query, it is stated that import of second-hand goods is regulated in terms of para 2.31 of the current Foreign Trade Policy 2023. As per Serial No. I(b) of the above para “All Electronics and IT Goods notified under the Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order, 2012 as amended from time to time” fall under the category of “restricted goods”.
2. As per the policy, restricted goods can be imported, subject to complying with certain conditions provided in the policy. It may be noted that Printers/ Multi-Function Devices (MFDs) / Plotters, all are covered by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology Order under reference S.O.1248(E) dated 18th March, 2021. (Serial No.7 in the list)
3. In view of the above, it may be noted that these printers / multi-function devices are restricted for import.
4. Now, coming to the conditions to be satisfied, it may be seen that as per the above policy provision contained in para 2.31, importation will be permitted against an authorization to be specifically issued, subject to the condition laid down under Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order 2012, as amended, from time to time. In other words, as these printers / multi-function devices are covered by the above order, as amended, upto 2021, they need to be registered with the Bureau of Indian Standards. This is the first step. The second requirement will be, if such printers / multi-function devices are registered under BIS, then, an import authorization has to be obtained specifically for importing these goods which are used/second hand. Upon issue of such import authorization, the goods can be imported.
5. It may be noted that as per the policy provision in para 2.31 mentioned above, import of unregistered / non-compliant notified products as in CRO 2012, as amended from time to time, is “prohibited”. This means that import of any printer/ multi-function device, the type of which is not registered with BIS, then, such import becomes a prohibited import. Or in other words, such unregistered / non-compliant printers / multi-function devices cannot be imported at all because the prohibition here is absolute and consequently, issue of any authorization is not possible.
6. Hope the above clarifies your queries. Should you require any further clarification in this regard, do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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