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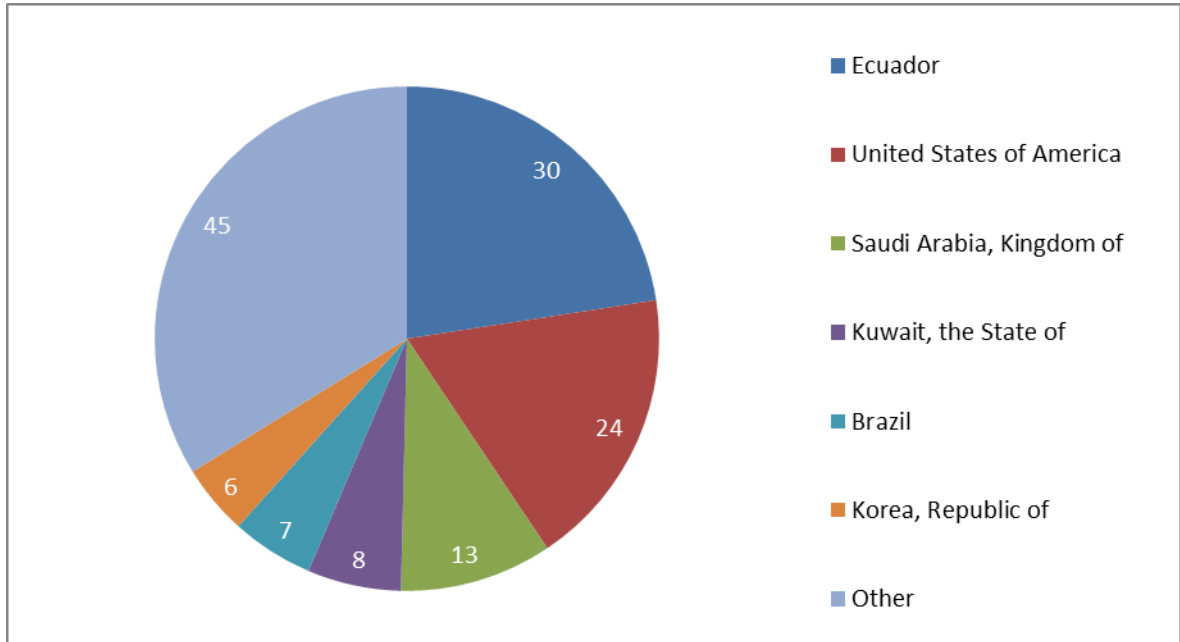
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TBT Notifications
Monthly Report
December 2014

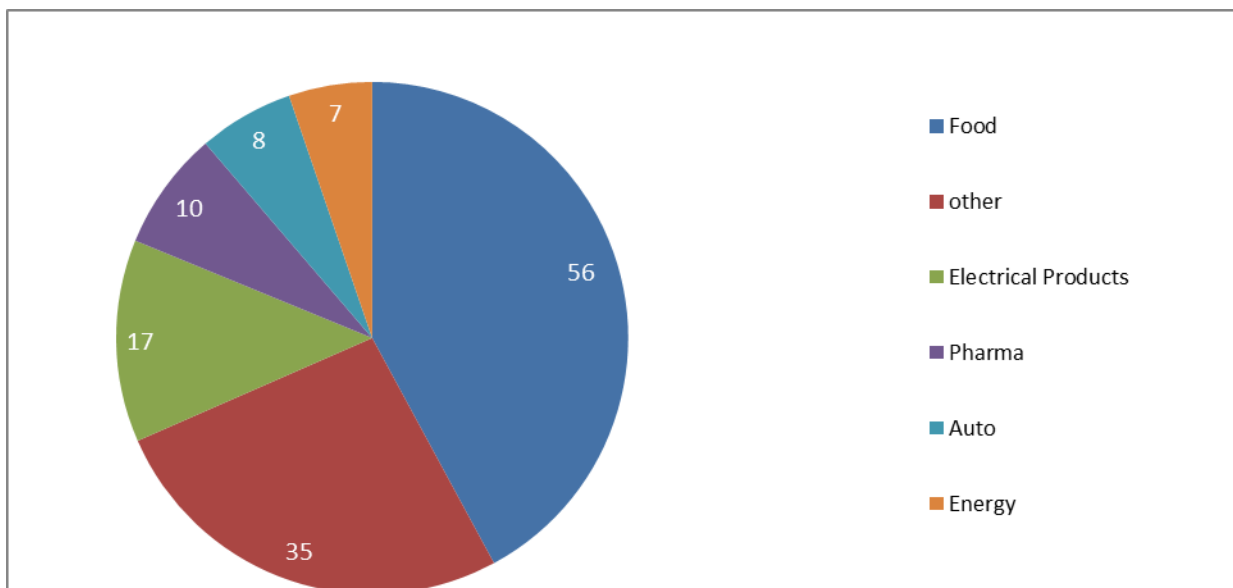
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AT A GLANCE

WTO Members issuing maximum number of TBT Notifications in December'14



Top Product-categories pertaining to TBT Notifications issued in December'14



Notification Details

The total numbers of TBT Notifications issued by the various WTO-Member Countries in December 2014 were 133. Out of 133 notifications, 55 notifications were the adoption of draft regulations notified earlier in the WTO.

Product-wise Information: Out of the total 133 Notifications, 56 were related to food products, 10 related to pharmaceutical products, 8 related to Auto products, 17 related to electrical products, 7 related to energy and the remaining 35 Notifications were related to other products.

Country-wise Information: Out of the total 133 notifications, Ecuador issued 30 notifications, followed by United States of America, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Brazil and Korea with 24, 13, 8, 7 and 6 Notifications, respectively. The remaining 45 Notifications were from other WTO Member countries.

Request for relevant Regulations/translated copies sent to the issuing countries:

We have sent request for regulations/translated copies for 15 Notifications. The responses were received from Thailand, Saudi Arabia and Korea. However, the responses from the rest of the countries are awaited.

- ▶ Thailand, Saudi Arabia and Korea responded that they do not have the regulation in English language.
- ▶ The regulations in Chinese and Portuguese were translated by the APJ-SLG Law Offices using Google Translator.
- ▶ Georgia, Ukraine, Mexico and South Africa have not yet responded to our request for regulation.

Details of Request for Regulation

Sl. No:	Notification No:	Date	Country
1	G/TBT/N/THA/1/Rev.1/Add.1	1/12/2014	Thailand
2	G/TBT/N/THA/440	1/12/2014	Thailand
3	G/TBT/N/SAU/811	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
4	G/TBT/N/SAU/812	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
5	G/TBT/N/SAU/815	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of

6	G/TBT/N/SAU/817	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
7	G/TBT/N/MEX/275/Add.3	3/12/2014	Mexico
8	G/TBT/N/ZAF/48/Rev.1	3/12/2014	South Africa
9	G/TBT/N/UKR/98	9/12/2014	Ukraine
10	G/TBT/N/GEO/88	10/12/2014	Georgia
11	G/TBT/N/CAN/435	11/12/2014	Canada
12	G/TBT/N/CHN/1064	12/12/2014	China
13	G/TBT/N/SAU/822	19/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
14	G/TBT/N/BRA/580/Add.1	23/12/2014	Brazil
15	G/TBT/N/KOR/544	23/12/2014	Korea, Republic of

Notifications Pertaining to Tariff Lines with Negligible Exports¹ from India

A total of 77 notifications were issued during December 2014 where no export is happening from India to the notifying country on the products mentioned on these notifications. These notifications are listed below:

Sl. No:	Notification No:	Date Issued	Products
1	G/TBT/N/SAU/813	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
2	G/TBT/N/SAU/814	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
3	G/TBT/N/SAU/816	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
4	G/TBT/N/SAU/818	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
5	G/TBT/N/SAU/819	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
6	G/TBT/N/SAU/820	2/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
7	G/TBT/N/KWT/250	3/12/2014	Kuwait, the State of
8	G/TBT/N/MEX/277/Add.1	3/12/2014	Mexico
9	G/TBT/N/CHL/293	4/12/2014	Chile
10	G/TBT/N/ECU/252/Add.1	4/12/2014	Ecuador
11	G/TBT/N/ECU/254/Add.1	4/12/2014	Ecuador
12	G/TBT/N/KOR/539	4/12/2014	Korea, Republic of
13	G/TBT/N/KOR/540	4/12/2014	Korea, Republic of
14	G/TBT/N/KOR/541	4/12/2014	Korea, Republic of

¹ Exports are up to US\$ 0.20 million

15	G/TBT/N/KOR/542	4/12/2014	Korea, Republic of
16	G/TBT/N/USA/861/Add.3	4/12/2014	United States of America
17	G/TBT/N/USA/927/Add.1	4/12/2014	United States of America
18	G/TBT/N/ECU/253/Add.1	8/12/2014	Ecuador
19	G/TBT/N/ECU/255/Add.1	8/12/2014	Ecuador
20	G/TBT/N/ECU/256/Add.1	8/12/2014	Ecuador
21	G/TBT/N/UGA/433	8/12/2014	Uganda
22	G/TBT/N/USA/937	8/12/2014	United States of America
23	G/TBT/N/BRA/486/Add.1	9/12/2014	Brazil
24	G/TBT/N/COL/209	9/12/2014	Colombia
25	G/TBT/N/GEO/84	9/12/2014	Georgia
26	G/TBT/N/RUS/41	9/12/2014	Russian Federation
27	G/TBT/N/USA/886/Add.1	9/12/2014	United States of America
28	G/TBT/N/GEO/85	10/12/2014	Georgia
29	G/TBT/N/GEO/86	10/12/2014	Georgia
30	G/TBT/N/GEO/87	10/12/2014	Georgia
31	G/TBT/N/ARE/245	11/12/2014	United Arab Emirates
32	G/TBT/N/KWT/254	11/12/2014	Kuwait, the State of
33	G/TBT/N/KWT/255	11/12/2014	Kuwait, the State of
34	G/TBT/N/BRA/613	12/12/2014	Brazil
35	G/TBT/N/KOR/543	12/12/2014	Korea, Republic of

36	G/TBT/N/TPKM/191	12/12/2014	Chinese Taipei
37	G/TBT/N/COL/210	15/12/2014	Colombia
38	G/TBT/N/ARG/78/Add.3	16/12/2014	Argentina
39	G/TBT/N/BRA/613/Add.1	16/12/2014	Brazil
40	G/TBT/N/OMN/195	16/12/2014	Oman
41	G/TBT/N/ARG/190/Add.1	17/12/2014	Argentina
42	G/TBT/N/BRA/614	17/12/2014	Brazil
43	G/TBT/N/ECU/120/Add.2	17/12/2014	Ecuador
44	G/TBT/N/ECU/121/Add.2	17/12/2014	Ecuador
45	G/TBT/N/ECU/122/Add.2	17/12/2014	Ecuador
46	G/TBT/N/KEN/439	17/12/2014	Kenya
47	G/TBT/N/KEN/440	17/12/2014	Kenya
48	G/TBT/N/KEN/441	17/12/2014	Kenya
49	G/TBT/N/KWT/257	17/12/2014	Kuwait, the State of
50	G/TBT/N/QAT/368	17/12/2014	Qatar
51	G/TBT/N/ECU/123/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
52	G/TBT/N/ECU/124/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
53	G/TBT/N/ECU/127/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
54	G/TBT/N/ECU/128/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
55	G/TBT/N/ECU/129/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
56	G/TBT/N/ECU/132/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador

57	G/TBT/N/ECU/135/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
58	G/TBT/N/ECU/137/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
59	G/TBT/N/ECU/138/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
60	G/TBT/N/ECU/139/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
61	G/TBT/N/ECU/140/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
62	G/TBT/N/ECU/143/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
63	G/TBT/N/ECU/176/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
64	G/TBT/N/ECU/178/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
65	G/TBT/N/ECU/179/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
66	G/TBT/N/ECU/181/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
67	G/TBT/N/ECU/182/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
68	G/TBT/N/ECU/208/Add.2	19/12/2014	Ecuador
69	G/TBT/N/SAU/823	19/12/2014	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
70	G/TBT/N/ECU/144/Add.2	22/12/2014	Ecuador
71	G/TBT/N/ECU/146/Add.2	22/12/2014	Ecuador
72	G/TBT/N/ECU/166/Add.2	22/12/2014	Ecuador
73	G/TBT/N/ECU/167/Add.2	22/12/2014	Ecuador
74	G/TBT/N/USA/640/Add.2	22/12/2014	United States of America
75	G/TBT/N/USA/896/Add.1	22/12/2014	United States of America
76	G/TBT/N/BRA/337/Add.2	23/12/2014	Brazil
77	G/TBT/N/BRA/615	23/12/2014	Brazil

Notifications Where Response is under Process

There are 41 notifications issued in December 2014 where the products mentioned are of India's export interest. Letters have already been sent to their respective stakeholders; however, the responses from the stakeholders are awaited. We are following up on these notifications.

List of Notifications

Sl. No	Notification No:	Date Issued	Products Covered	Details of the Regulation
1	G/TBT/N/SAU/821	2/12/2014	Fermented soybean paste (ICS: 67.040)	The notification is issued by Saudi Arabia. The draft technical regulation applies to the soybean paste product offered for direct consumption including for catering purposes or for repackaging if required.
2	G/TBT/N/EU/253	3/12/2014	Biocidal products	The notification was issued by the European Union. The draft regulation mandates copper pyriithione as an active substance for use in biocidal products. The details of the same were circulated with stakeholders.
3	G/TBT/N/KWT/251	3/12/2014	Foodstuff	The draft regulation provides maximum residue limits of pesticides and contaminants that are allowed in organic food. It does not permit to write down the phrase organic food on any product with more than to pesticide maximum in side limit (0.01) mg/kg. The details of the same were circulated with stakeholders.
4	G/TBT/N/OMN/192	3/12/2014	Foodstuffs	
5	G/TBT/N/ARE/244	3/12/2014	Foodstuffs	
6	G/TBT/N/ZAF/173/A dd.1	4/12/2014	Electrical Apparatus	The notification was issue by South Africa. South Africa has notified the adoption of safety and performance standards for electronic products. The list of the electronic products is given in the regulation. The details of the same were circulated with stakeholders.
7	G/TBT/N/USA/936	4/12/2014	Motorcycle brake systems	This notification is issued by USA. It deals with safety standards on federal motor vehicles. This document

				proposes to amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards to allow the use of an internationally recognized symbol as the antilock brake system. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
8	G/TBT/N/USA/927/ Add.1/Corr.1	5/12/2014	Ceiling Fans	A TBT Notification was issued by USA for Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA. The draft proposes a significant new use rule (SNUR) for 15 related chemical substances. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
9	G/TBT/N/CRI/148	8/12/2014	All products	The notification was issued by Costa Rica. It establishes the procedure for demonstrating the equivalence of a policy document with a Costa Rican Technical Regulation (RTCR) and applies to all products whose technical regulations establish procedures for conformity assessment. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
10	G/TBT/N/EU/254	8/12/2014	Internal combustion engines to be installed in non-road mobile machinery	European Union has issued one regulation on internal combustion engines. The draft regulation mandates the emission limits and type approval procedures for internal combustion engines to be installed in non-road mobile machinery (NRMM). The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
11	G/TBT/N/TPKM/190	8/12/2014	Maize and Wheat Products	The notification is issued by Taiwan. The draft regulation is on the regulations of inspection of imported foods and related products. The regulation requires the importers to import non-genetically modified maize (corn), soybean and genetically modified maize (corn), soybean to submit the documents. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.

12	G/TBT/N/USA/621/ Add.2	8/12/2014	Food Products	The addendum was issued by USA. It implements the nutrition labeling provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. It requires disclosure of certain nutrition information for standard menu items in certain restaurants and retail food establishments. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
13	G/TBT/N/USA/622/ Add.1	8/12/2014	Food Products	The addendum is issued by USA. The USA addendum requires implementing the vending machine food labeling provisions as per the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. It establishes the requirements for providing calorie declarations for food sold from certain vending machines. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
14	G/TBT/N/USA/938	8/12/2014	Food Products	The notification was issued by USA. The draft regulation mandates that the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is establishing 1 January 2018, as the uniform compliance date for new meat and poultry product labeling regulations that are issued between 1 January 2015, and 31 December 2016. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
15	G/TBT/N/KWT/252	9/12/2014	Microbiological criteria for foodstuffs (ICS Code: 67.050)	The notification was issued by Kuwait. The draft regulation mandates microbiological limits for some foodstuffs intended for human consumption and for some food ingredients used in food industry. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.

16	G/TBT/N/KWT/253	9/12/2014	Foodstuffs: Sweeteners permitted for use in food products (ICS Code: 67.220)	The notification is issued by Kuwait. The draft regulation proposes limits for sugar substitutes permitted for use in energy-reduced food as sweeteners. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
17	G/TBT/N/OMN/193	9/12/2014	Microbiological criteria for foodstuffs (ICS Code: 67.050)	The notification was issued by Oman. The draft regulation concerns microbiological limits for some foodstuffs intended for human consumption and for some food ingredients used in food industry. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
18	G/TBT/N/USA/394/ Add.1	9/12/2014	Labeling for Human Prescription Drug and Biological Products; Requirements for Pregnancy and Lactation Labeling	The notification was issued by USA. It sets standards for labeling of prescription drugs and biological products. The new content and formatting requirements will provide a more consistent way to include relevant information about the risks and benefits of prescription drugs and biological products used during pregnancy and breastfeeding. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
19	G/TBT/N/USA/661/ Add.2	9/12/2014	841810-- Combined refrigerator-freezers, fitted with separate external doors	The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) informed the adoption of a regulation on refrigerators. It preliminarily determined that residential refrigeration products that do not incorporate a compressor qualify as covered products under Part B of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA). The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
20	G/TBT/N/USA/787/ Add.1	9/12/2014	Cooking Products	The TBT Notification was issued by USA on December 2015. It revises test procedures for cooking products established under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.

21	G/TBT/N/USA/926/ Add.1	9/12/2014	Air conditioning machines	The notification informs the notice of proposed rulemaking for small, large, and very large air-cooled commercial package air conditioning and heating equipment in the Federal Register. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
22	G/TBT/N/USA/939	9/12/2014	Recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs)	The notification was issued by USA. It is on recreational off highway vehicles. The proposed rule includes: lateral stability and vehicle handling requirements that specify a minimum level of rollover resistance for ROVs. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
23	G/TBT/N/USA/939/ Add.1	11/12/2014	Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles	
24	G/TBT/N/CAN/434	11/12/2014	Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) (ICS: 13.020)	The notification was issued by Department of the Environment, Canada. It is initiating the development of proposed regulations to control the manufacture, import and use of hydro-fluorocarbons (HFCs). The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
25	G/TBT/N/EU/255	12/12/2014	Liquid consumer laundry detergents	The notification is issued by EU. It introduces additional safety requirements applicable for hazardous liquid consumer laundry detergents placed on the market in soluble packaging.
26	G/TBT/N/OMN/194	12/12/2014	Foodstuffs: Sweeteners	The notification is issued by Oman. The draft regulation proposes limits for sugar substitutes permitted for use in energy-reduced food as sweeteners. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
27	G/TBT/N/USA/872/ Add.3	15/12/2014	Fuel	The notification was issued by USA. The draft proposes the annual percentage standards for cellulosic biofuel, biomass-based diesel, advanced biofuel, and renewable fuels that would apply to all motor vehicle gasoline and diesel produced

				or imported in the year 2014 to USA. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
28	G/TBT/N/USA/874/Add.2	15/12/2014	Lamps	The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) of USA is initiating this rulemaking and data collection process to consider new and amended energy conservation standards for general service lamps. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
29	G/TBT/N/USA/940	15/12/2014	Food labeling	The Food and Drug Administration of USA is establishing 1 January 2018, as the uniform compliance date for food labeling regulations that are issued between 1 January 2015, and 31 December 2016. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
30	G/TBT/N/KWT/256	16/12/2014	Foodstuffs: Additives	The notification was issued by Kuwait. This draft technical regulation proposes limits for food additives permitted for use in foodstuffs. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
31	G/TBT/N/EU/256	17/12/2014	Electrical and electronic equipment (EEE)	The notification was issued by EU. This draft Commission adds four phthalates (substances of very high concern) to the list of restricted substances. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
32	G/TBT/N/JPN/474	17/12/2014	Household products	The regulation was issued by Japan. The regulation designates any of the specified aromatic amines as harmful substances. It specifies test procedures for household products to determine the test methods for household products containing triphenyltin compounds, tributyltin compounds and formaldehyde components. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
33	G/TBT/N/QAT/366	17/12/2014	Foodstuffs	The notification was issued by Qatar. This draft technical regulation proposes limits for food additives

				permitted for use in foodstuffs. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
34	G/TBT/N/QAT/367	17/12/2014	Foodstuffs	The notification was issued by Qatar. This draft technical regulation applies to sugar substitutes for diabetics and foods for special dietary uses. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
35	G/TBT/N/QAT/369	17/12/2014	Foodstuffs	The notification was issued by Qatar. This draft technical regulation proposes limits for food additives permitted for use in organic foodstuffs. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
36	G/TBT/N/QAT/370	17/12/2014	Microbiological criteria for foodstuffs (ICS Code: 67.050)	The notification was issued by Qatar. This draft technical regulation is concerned with microbiological limits for some foodstuffs intended for human consumption and for some food ingredients used in food product. It also mentions the conformity assessment procedures for the same. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
37	G/TBT/N/JPN/475	19/12/2014	Commercial vehicles	The notification is issued by Japan. They have proposed new energy efficacy standards for automobiles. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
38	G/TBT/N/USA/941	22/12/2014	Organic products	The notification was issued by USA. This proposal modifies the organic assessment exemption regulations. The exemption would cover all "organic" and "100 percent organic" products certified under the National Organic Program. Currently, only persons that exclusively produce and market products certified as 100 percent organic are eligible for an exemption from assessments under commodity promotion programs. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.

39	G/TBT/N/USA/942	22/12/2014	Refrigerators	The notification was issued by USA. The regulation establishes new test procedures that would measure the energy efficiency of wine chillers and other related miscellaneous refrigeration products. These procedures are applicable to all refrigeration system. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
40	G/TBT/N/USA/943	22/12/2014	Airplane fuel tanks	The notification was issued by USA. The regulation proposes standards for fuel tanks and systems used in airplanes. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.
41	G/TBT/N/USA/944	23/12/2014	Prescription drug and biological product labeling	The notification was issued by USA. The regulation proposes to amend its prescription drug and biological product labeling regulations. The amendment requires electronic distribution of the prescribing information intended for health care professionals. It is currently distributed in paper form on or within the package from which a prescription drug or biological product is dispensed. The details of the same were shared with the stakeholders.

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