# COFFEE BOARD

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## CORRIGENDUM No. 1

**Sub:** Expression of Interest (EoI): Empanelment of Service Providers for Digital Coffee Traceability Platform for EUDR Compliance – Ref. No. MAR/MIU/e-governance/2026-27/60 dated 30/10/2026 – reg.

Based on the requests received at the pre-EoI meeting held on 04/11/2026, the Competent Authority has approved the following amendments. Under Clauses 8.4.7 and 8.4.8, this Corrigendum forms part of the EoI, and the EoI, including its Annexures, shall be read accordingly.

### 1. Revised dates (Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 8.3, 9.6 and Annexure I)

| Activity | Existing | Revised |
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| Last date for submission of EoI (e-mail and hard copy) | 18:00 hrs, 13/11/2026 | 18:00 hrs, 16/11/2026 |
| Opening of EoI | 11:00 hrs, 17/11/2026 | 11:00 hrs, 18/11/2026 |

Wherever the EoI refers to 13/11/2026 as the last date or proposal due date, read 16/11/2026. All periods ending on the proposal due date, and proposal validity (180 days), are counted from 16/11/2026. All other dates in Clause 9.6 remain unchanged.

### 2. Coffee exporters outside India (Clauses 1.3, 4.6 and 9.4.1; Annexures I, VIII, X and XI)

2.1 Coffee exporters outside India, and their coffee consignments shipped to EU Member States, shall be counted together with exporters in India for eligibility under Clause 4.6 (Sl. 2 and 3) and for scoring under Clause 9.4 (Sl. 5), subject to paras 2.2 to 2.5 and 3. The sentence in Clause 9.4.1 (Sl. 2) that international projects do not relax Clause 4.6 is deleted.

2.2 "Coffee exporter" (Clause 1.3) means an exporter of coffee holding, on the relevant date, (a) for an exporter in India, a valid Coffee Board registration; or (b) for an exporter outside India, a valid registration or export licence issued by the national coffee authority or other competent authority of its country, certified by that authority with its seal and signature.

2.3 For an exporter outside India: (a) the certified registration or licence shall be submitted with Annexure X (Part B), and the Coffee Board shall send it to the issuing authority for verification; if that authority's confirmation is not received before shortlisting, the Committee may shortlist provisionally, subject to confirmation before empanelment; (b) the export customs declaration of the country of export shall be read in place of the "shipping bill" in Clauses 4.6 and 9.4.1 and Annexure X; (c) the Nodal Officer shall seek confirmation at the e-mail address shown in the registration or licence or on the exporter's official website; (d) a site visit may be replaced by verification by video conference; and (e) documents not in English shall be accompanied by a certified English translation.

2.4 Where a registration, export licence or other document relating to an exporter outside India is found false, forged or fraudulent, the Applicant shall, in addition to disqualification or removal, be blacklisted by the Coffee Board for a period decided by the Competent Authority, after a show-

cause notice and an opportunity of being heard. Applicants shall accept this in their self-declaration (Annexure VIII).

2.5 Annexure X (Parts B and C) and Annexure XI (Part A) shall record, for exporters outside India, the registration or licence number, issuing authority and country, and the export customs declaration number, date and country of export.

**3. Conditions for counting coffee exporters outside India**

Exporters outside India shall be counted only if the Applicant shows, with its proposal, that the same single solution offered under this EoI meets all of the following on the proposal due date:

(1) Hosting on MeghRaj or a MeitY-empanelled cloud, with all servers and backups in India (Clauses 5.4(7), 7.1(5)) – cloud provider, MeitY empanelment reference, data-centre location and hosting agreement or invoice.

(2) A current VAPT certificate from a CERT-In empanelled auditor, and compliance with CERT-In directions (Clauses 5.2(4), 5.4(6)).

(3) A data protection (privacy) policy and consent notice for stakeholders in India under the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 and Clause 7.1.

(4) Sharing of plot geolocation and polygon data outside India only as permitted by the DST Guidelines for Geospatial Data, 2021 (Clause 7.1(7)) – self-certification (Annexure VIII) and a note on the tools and systems with which such data are shared.

(5) A traceability module, developed for coffee outside India, that meets the requirements of the Indian coffee value chain (Clauses 3.2, 3.4, 5.6): all stakeholder categories from growers to exporters; curing, hulling, grading, roasting and instant coffee manufacture with conversion ratios and quantity reconciliation; small growers in hilly, low-connectivity areas with offline capture; English, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu and Odia; land-record-based legality evidence; Coffee Board registration of exporters; national forest data; and the scale of India's coffee-growing regions – with a clause-wise compliance statement and the live demonstration on the India configuration.

The Technical Evaluation Committee shall verify these conditions. If any condition is not met, the exporters outside India and their consignments shall not be counted. These conditions do not relax Sections 3, 5 and 7, which apply to every Applicant.

**4. Period for counting coffee exporters (Clauses 1.2, 4.6, 8.2 and 9.4.1; Annexures I and X)**

A coffee exporter counts as onboarded, for eligibility (Clause 4.6, Sl. 2) and scoring (Clause 9.4, Sl. 5(a)), if it has shipped coffee traced through the solution in the two years ending on the proposal due date (17/11/2024 to 16/11/2026) and is actively using the solution on that date. The minimum of 5 tonnes (Clause 4.6, Sl. 3), the tonnes scored under Clause 9.4 (Sl. 5(b)) and Annexure X (Part C) continue to be counted over the six months ending on the proposal due date (17/05/2026 to 16/11/2026).

**5. Observation period (new Clause 8.4.11A; Clauses 8.4.11 and 8.4.12(c); Annexure VI)**

The following Clause is inserted after Clause 8.4.11:

"8.4.11A Observation period. Every empanelled provider shall be under observation for the first two (2) months from the date of publication of the list of empanelled providers on the Coffee Board website. If issues or complaints regarding the provider's service are received from coffee exporters during this period and are found substantiated, the Competent Authority may remove the provider from the list, without first issuing a notice to remedy or suspending it under Clause 8.4.12(a) and (b), after a written show-cause notice giving at least 7 days to reply (Clause

8.4.12(d)). Clause 8.4.12(e) (continuity for users) shall apply, and a provider so removed may not be considered under a fresh EoI for one year from the date of removal (Clause 8.4.12(c)).”

Clauses 8.4.11 and 8.4.12(c), and item 11 of the Empanelment Undertaking (Annexure VI), shall be read to include Clause 8.4.11A.

**All other terms and conditions of the EoI remain unchanged.**

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 09/11/2026

**CEO & Secretary, Coffee Board**