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**Subject: Implementation of the Track and Trace system for export of Pharmaceuticals and drug consignments.**

In exercise of the powers conferred under Paragraph 2.04 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-20, as amended from time to time, the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby amends Para 2.89A of Handbook of Procedure, 2015-20, as notified vide Public Notice No. 4/2015-20 dated 1.04.2015 (as amended), as under, for laying down the procedure for implementation of the Track and Trace system for export consignments of drug formulations:

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**Procedure for Implementation of the Track and Trace system for export of drug formulations**

- i. The manufacturer or the exporter of drug formulations will print the barcode as per **GS1 Global Standard** at different packaging levels to facilitate tracking and tracing of their products. The details are as follows:

**a) Primary Level:**

Incorporation of two dimensional (2D) barcode encoding unique and **universal global product identification** code in the format of 14 digits Global Trade Item Number (GTIN) along with batch number, expiry date and a unique serial number of the primary pack. The bar code labeling at primary level is exempted till further notification; however, the above mentioned details are required to be printed in human readable form on **optional basis** till further notification.

**b) Secondary level:**

Incorporation of one or two dimensional (1D or 2D) barcode encoding unique and universal global product identification code in the format of 14 digits Global Trade Item Number (GTIN) along with batch number, expiry date and a unique serial number of the secondary pack. However, in case of monocartons manufacturer or exporter shall affix bar code on mono carton containing one primary pack on optional basis till further notification.