



# कालीन निर्यात संवर्धन परिषद CARPET EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

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To,

All Members of the Council.

**Subject: Empowering the Carpet Industry Together – CEPC Election 2024**

Dear Esteemed Members,

It is with great pleasure and a profound sense of responsibility that I extend my heartfelt gratitude for the overwhelming welcome and support upon my appointment by the Government of India as Chairman of the Carpet Export Promotion Council.

Your warm reception and personal greetings during the gathering in Bhadohi on 17th March 2024 further reaffirmed the solidarity and commitment we share towards advancing the interests of our thriving carpet industry.

As we embark on this journey together, I understand the importance of addressing your concerns and ensuring clarity on matters crucial to our industry's growth.

During our interaction in Bhadohi on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024, questions were raised regarding the eligibility of members of the Committee of Administration, particularly in light of the recent judgement by the DC Handicrafts dated 15<sup>th</sup> Feb., 2024. Specifically, there was a request for clarification on whether the term of COA members whose election was declared null and void should be considered when counting the three consecutive terms for the cooling off period as mandated by the by-laws of the CEPC. .

Your concerns are paramount to me, and I want to assure you that every member's interests are our top priority.

After careful consideration and consultation with the Competent Authority, I am pleased to confirm that the eligibility criteria for the upcoming Election 2024 for members of the CoA will mirror those of the CEPC Election 2021. This means members will be eligible to contest the CoA Election 2024 based on the same criteria used in the CEPC Election 2021. The null and void COA Election 2021 will not be counted towards the cooling-off period for the three consecutive terms of members.

Together, we will not only uphold the legacy of the carpet industry but also pave the way for its thriving future. Your trust in CEPC is our greatest asset, and I pledge to honor it with unwavering dedication and transparency.

This is not merely an election; it is a collective endeavor to shape the destiny of our industry. Let us unite, empower, and propel the carpet industry as well as CEPC to greater heights. I encourage all eligible members to nominate themselves and vote in the upcoming election as notified by the CEPC in the election circular dated 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024.

With warm regards,

**Dr. Romesh Khajuria**  
**Chairman, CEPC.**