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Given below are some key news updates from the past week pertaining to international trade and customs both from India and around the world.

**World Trade Organization (WTO)**
- The WTO Secretariat has circulated a meeting notice and list of items proposed for the next meeting, on 20 December 2021, of the Dispute Settlement Body
- E-commerce co-convenors welcome substantial progress in negotiations
- WTO circulates panel reports in dispute complaints targeting Indian sugar subsidies
- New initiatives seek to put environment at heart of trade discussions

**United States, Europe & Asia**
- EU promotes World Trade Organization initiatives on Trade and Environment
- New EU-funded Eastern Partnership Trade Helpdesk launched
- EU Commission imposes anti-dumping duties on imports of steel wind towers from China
- Invitation to submit inputs and comments on the EU-US TTC Working Group on Global Trade Challenges
- Invitation to submit inputs and comments on the EU-US Export Control Cooperation under the TTC
- EU strengthens protection against economic coercion
- Joint Statement: EU and Singapore agree to strengthen bilateral partnership on digital trade
- Invitation to submit inputs and comments on the EU-US Export Control Cooperation under the TTC
- US issues Removal of Certain General Approved Exclusions (GAEs) Under the Section 232 Steel and Aluminum Tariff Exclusions Process
- USITC Votes to Continue Investigation Concerning Superabsorbent Polymers from South Korea

**India**
- DGTR issues Final Findings recommending imposition of duties in Anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of “Caustic Soda” originating in or exported from Japan, Iran, Qatar and Oman
- Ministry of Finance imposes Anti-dumping Duty on Imports of calcined gypsum powder from Iran, Oman, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates (UAE)
- Ministry of Finance imposes Anti-dumping Duty on Imports of Sodium Hydrosulphite from China PR and Korea RP

We trust you will find this an interesting read. For any queries or comments on this update, please feel free to contact us at insights@elp-in.com.

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