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The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), in consultation with the Government of India, has now decided to do away with the barter system of trade at the Indo-Myanmar border and **switch over completely to normal trade with effect from December 1, 2015**. Pursuant to this, RBI has withdrawn their instructions as contained in its A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 17 dated October 16, 2000. Accordingly, all trade transactions with Myanmar, including those at the Indo-Myanmar border with effect from December 1, 2015 would be settled in any permitted currency in addition to the Asian Clearing Union mechanism. The Reserve Bank of India has also amended the Principal Regulations through the Foreign Exchange Management (Export of Goods & Services) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2015 notified through Notification No. FEMA.347/2015-RB dated July 24, 2015, vide G.S.R. No. 579 (E) dated July 24, 2015.

The Governments of India and Myanmar signed Border Trade Agreement on 21 January 1994 and subsequently opened two border trade points / Land Customs Stations (LCS) at Moreh (Manipur) and Zokhawthar (Mizoram).

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