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Date: As Approved.

**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 01/2025-CUSTOMS**

Sub: **Enabling Voluntary Payment electronically on ICEGATE e-payment Platform Reg.**

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**Kind attention is invited to the Board's Circular No:27/2024-Customs dated 23-12-2024 on Enabling Voluntary Payment electronically on ICEGATE e-payment Platform**

In line with Government's commitment to digitize the services and to make it paperless, ICEGATE e-payment Platform has been enabled with electronic collection of Voluntary/Self-Initiated Payments (SIP)

2. This new functionality has been envisaged to replace the existing TR-6 payments which are currently being done manually at various Customs Stations. This functionality shall enable the users to generate a self-initiated challan for voluntary payments and then make payments through the ICEGATE e-payment platform without any further approval by officers of Customs.

3. While using the voluntary payment Facility at ICEGATE the users may be sensitized on the below-mentioned aspects:

a. The Voluntary Payment module will be accessible as a post-login functionality. Users must be registered on ICEGATE to access this feature;

b. This facility is enabled with payments which are primarily meant for imports/exports cleared in the past. In other words, the facility is not a replacement for challans generated by ICES/ECCS/SEZ online/ACES applications. Therefore, it should not be used for payment of customs duties for clearance of any live consignments:

c. The various purposes, for which the payment can be made are provided in **Annexure-A**, wherein, it is advised to select the same carefully while making payment.

d. The proof of payment may be submitted to the concerned field formations for taking further action.

e. The officer verily may the payment details using <https://foservices.icegate.gov.in/#/epayment/enquiry>. Detailed advisory for verification will be made available by DG (Systems).

**4.1** Currently ICEGATE users can make voluntary payments as a debit from the Electronic Cash Ledger (only available for IEC holders and Customs Brokers).

**4.2** In case, users wish to initiate challan-wise payment, the ICEGATE platform also allows user to make transaction-wise payment on the platform, whereby the systems design takes care of routing the payment instantaneously through Electronic Cash Ledger before accounting for duty payment. On completion of testing for voluntary payment acceptance, at present, following modes are enabled for such challan-wise payments:

- a. Nine (9) banks under internet banking through authorized bank mode [1]
- b. NEFT/RTGS through RBI
- c. Payment Aggregator mode

**4.3** Remaining banks shall be enabled as and when the testing is complete. In all other modes, users already have an option to deposit the amount in the Electronic Cash Ledger through remaining authorized modes and use the same for making voluntary payment using Electronic Cash Ledger.

**5.** Since the above facility is aimed at replacing the current procedure of making Over-The-Counter (OTC) payment using TR-6 Challan, the officers under your jurisdiction may be sensitized not to accept any payments through manual TR-6 challan after 31 December, 2024 unless the same is approved by the concerned Pr. Commissioner/Commissioner of Customs. The approval must clearly spell out the reasons for resorting to the manual method of payment. The field officers can view the voluntary challans through Payment Status Voluntary Payment option available in Service' section of ICEGATE portal (<http://www.icegate.gov.in>).

**6.** A user manual on the Voluntary/Self-Initiated Payment (SIP) facility to handhold and onboard the has been uploaded users on (<http://www.icegate.gov.in/guidelines/voluntary-payment>). the ICEGATE platform

**7. The Additional/Joint/Deputy/Assistant Commissioners of Customs are requested advised to give wide publicity of the contents of this** public notice and may be sensitized to handhold the stakeholders for making payment through the new Voluntary/ Self-initiated Payment (SIP) facility.

**8.** This Public Notice should be considered as standing order for the purpose of officers and concerned staff of department.

**9.** Difficulty, if any, faced in the implementation of the above public notice may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

**(SADHU NARASIMHA REDDY)**  
COMMISSIONER

To,  
The Importers, Exporters, Other stake holders and all concerned.

Copy submitted to

The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Visakhapatnam Zone, Visakhapatnam

Copy to

1. The Additional/Joint Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kakinada/Krishnapatnam.
2. The Additional/Joint Commissioner of Customs, Hqrs., Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada.
3. The Assistant /Deputy Commissioner of Customs, ICD Murrupalem, Guntur.
4. The Assistant /Deputy Commissioner of Customs, Customs Preventive Division, Visakhapatnam/ Kakinada/ Tirupathi/ TFC Hqrs. of Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada.
5. Notice Board.
6. Superintendent, Computers section, Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada for uploading in the website of this office.