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TRADE FACILITATION CIRCULAR No. 01/2024

Sub: Customs – Self Sealing Permission – Procedure of granting of Self Sealing Permission to the Exporters – Certain instructions – Reg.

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Attention of the Importers, Exporters, General Trade, Customs Brokers, Custodians, Shipping Liners / Shipping Agents, Container Freight Stations (CFSs) / Inland Container Depot and all concerned are invited to the Trade Facilitation Circular No. 01/2017, dated 06.09.2017, 02/2017, dated 27.12.2017 and Trade Facilitation Circular No. 02/2018, dated 22.06.2018 issued by this office and the Board's Circular No. 26/2017-Customs, dated 01.07.2017 and 36/2017-Customs, dated 28.08.2017, 37/2017-Customs, dated 20.09.2017 and 41/2017-Customs, dated 30.10.2017 and also to the Public Notice No. 41/2017, dated 15.12.2017 and 01/2024-Customs, dated 02.01.2024 issued by this office on the above mentioned subject.

2. It has been observed that some applicants of SSP are not following the procedures prescribed in the above cited Trade Facilitation Circulars which resulted in delay in processing and issuance of Self Sealing Permissions. In view of this, Trade Facilitation Circular No. 01/2017, dated 06.09.2017, 02/2017, dated 27.12.2017 and Trade Facilitation Circular No. 02/2018, dated 22.06.2018 are partially modified to the extent as discussed.

3. It is observed that the applications for Self Sealing Permission are being filed in the eleventh hour without proper documents. The Board vide Circular No. 26/2017-Customs, dated 01.07.2017 has prescribed 15 days' time for proper verification and issuance of Self-Sealing Permission, before first planned export along with the purchase order copy, if any. Henceforth, it is directed that all stakeholders shall submit the required documents well in advance for grant of Self-Sealing Permission.

4. The exporters shall submit the details of prospective export orders along with their application. SSP is premises based and will be granted to the exporter to a particular premise. In case, at a time any exporter is seeking SSP for multiple premises such exporter shall file single application for all such premises with a

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separate Annexure – B for each premises. In case, any exporter is seeking SSP for any premises in addition to the existing one such exporter may file fresh application for such additional premise/premises along with separate “Annexure – B” for each premises. If the authorized persons are different for each premise, the Bio-Data of all the authorized signatories in prescribed format duly self-signed by the individuals and attested by the exporter shall be submitted.

4. Once the SSP is granted, the exporter shall intimate, the details of stuffing one day prior to the planned stuffing in prescribed “Annexure-D”, each shipment / self-sealing particulars with the jurisdictional Assistant / Deputy Commissioner, Customs Preventive Division clearly mentioning the place and address of approved premises, description of export goods and whether or not any incentive is being claimed etc...

5. The exporters exporting at least 6 consignments in a year availing Self Sealing Permission granted and have not committed any contraventions of Customs provisions during the said period will be considered as regular exporters and will continue to avail the Self-Sealing Permission.


6. Any deviation from the established procedure and standards will be viewed seriously and appropriate action shall be initiated for cancellation of the SSP. such deviation will be examined by the department barring from a mere procedural violation to revenue loss for the exchequer under customs act and any other law for time being in force.

7. Details of the Self-Sealing Permissions given by the Commissioner of Customs, Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada will be posted on the website: www.apcustoms.gov.in regularly on monthly basis for the benefit of the Exporters as well as officers of the Customs.

8. All other procedures prescribed in the Trade Facilitation Circular No. 01/2017, dated 06.09.2017, 02/2017, dated 27.12.2017 and Trade Facilitation Circular No. 02/2018, dated 22.06.2018 shall be followed.

9. Action to be taken in terms of decisions taken in this Trade Facilitation Circular should be considered as Standing Order for the purpose of officers and staff.

10. Any difficulties, experienced in the implementation may be brought to the notices of the undersigned immediately.


(CH. VENKAI AH CHOWDARY)
COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

To

Importers, Exporters, General Trade, Custom Brokers, Custodians, Shipping Liners / Shipping Agents of Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada.
(Through Additional Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kakinada / Krishnapatnam & Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD, Marripalem / Reddipalem, Guntur).

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The Chief Commissioner of Central Tax & Customs, Visakhapatnam Zone, Port Area,
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1. The Principal Commissioner / Commissioner of Central Tax, Visakhapatnam / Guntur / Tirupati Commissionerate.
2. The Additional / Joint Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kakinada.
3. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Krishnapatnam.
4. All the Custom Preventive Divisions of Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada.
5. The Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD, Marrisalem / Reddipalem, Guntur.
6. The Superintendent, Computer Section, Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Hqrs., office, Vijayawada for upload on the website.
7. Notice Board, Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Hqrs., office, Vijayawada.