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PUBLIC NOTICE No. 08/2021 - CUSTOMS

Sub: Filing of Advance Bill of Entry under Section 46 of Customs Act, 1962 (amended vide Finance Act, 2021) - reg.

Attention of the Shipping Liners, Freight Forwarders, Shipping/Steamer Agents, Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers, Custodians/Container Freight Stations, Terminal operators and all other Stakeholders is invited to ICES Advisory No. 10/2021-Customs dated 29.03.2021 on the above subject

2. Reference is also invited to legislative changes in Section 46 of the Customs Act, 1962 introduced through the Finance Act, 2021 and the Board Circular No. 08/2021-Customs dated 29.03.2021 and Board Instruction No. 05/2021-Customs dated 24.03.2021 issued in this regard. The amended section requires the importers to file Bills of Entry before the end of the day (including holidays) preceding the day of arrival at a Customs port/station at which such goods are to be cleared for home consumption or warehousing. Board has prescribed different time limits for filing Bills of Entry in respect of goods imported by various modes of transport as tabulated in para 2.1 of the above Circular. Accordingly, the changes have been enabled in the Customs EDI System and the late filing fee will be imposed by the System as per the new provisions and in consonance with the aforesaid timelines listed in the Board's Circular.

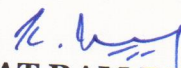
3. Further, vide the above Board Circular, it has also been decided to do away with the requirement of Master Bill of Lading (i.e. MBL) during the filing of advance Bill of Entry. Only the reference to House Bill of Lading (i.e. HBL) would be sufficient at the time of advance filing if the MBL details are not available at that point in time while filing the Bill of Entry in advance as per the above provisions. The said provision has been enabled in the System. Accordingly, while filing Bill of Entry declaration in the system where MBL is not available, MAWB/BL No. shall be declared as **NOMBL** (in case of sea) or **NOMAWB** (in case of air), as the case may be. However, in such cases, the HBL details will necessarily have to be declared during the BE filing. Further, to ease the regularization with Arrival Manifest, Importer would have the option to update the Master Bill of Lading in the Bill of Entry at any point in time later to regularize/link the BE with Arrival Manifest through a simple online amendment process. For this, importer/customs broker can file a BE amendment of the IGM details with amend code

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as **A_PBEIGM**. The mandatory details to be furnished in the IGM table while filing this amendment are enclosed as **Annexure A**. The said amendment would be auto approved in the Customs automated system without the need for approval of a Customs officer and would not be subject to levy of any late fees. It may be noted that this facility can be used only to amend the MBL /MAWB No. in a prior/advance BE where it was initially given as NOMBL or NOMAWB.

4. The above changes would be implemented in the System w.e.f. 30.03.2021.
5. Difficulties, if any, faced in implementation of this Public Notice may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.


 (K. VENKAT RAM REDDY)
 COMMISSIONER

To

1. Notice Board of the Concerned Customs Formations
2. Copy submitted to the Chief Commissioner of Customs & Central Tax, Visakhapatnam Zone, GST Bhavan, Port Area, Visakhapatnam – 530 035 for information

Copy to :

1. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Krishnapatnam Custom House, KAPS Building, CVR Complex, Krishnapatnam Port Area, Gopalapuram, MUTHUKURU – 524 344, S. P. S.R. Nellore District for information with a direction to give wide publicity among the stakeholders under the jurisdiction KPCH.
2. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Kakinada Custom House, Port Road, KAKINADA – 533 007, East Godavari District for information with a direction to give wide publicity among the stakeholders under the jurisdiction KKDCH.
3. The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD, MARRIPALEM – 522 233, Yedlapadu Mandalam, MARRIPALEM Post, Guntur District for information with a direction to give wide publicity among the stakeholders under the jurisdiction of ICD, MARRIPALEM.
4. The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Customs Division, Visakhapatnam / Kakinada / Tirupati for information with a request to display this Public Notice on the Notice Boards of concerned Customs Division.
5. Copy to Superintendent (Computers), CPC, Hqrs. Office, Vijayawada for display on CPC, Vijayawada website www.apcustoms.gov.in.
6. Copy to M/s. Krishnapatnam Port Company Limited (KPCL), the Custodian / Custom Cargo Service Provider of Krishnapatnam Port, Muthukur, SPSR Nellore

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District for information with a request to upload this Public Notice on their website for the knowledge of the stakeholders and public.

7. Copy to M/s. Kakinada Sea Ports Limited, the Custodian / Custom Cargo Service Provider of Kakinada Port, Kakinada, East Godavari District for information with a request to upload this Public Notice on their website for the knowledge of the stakeholders and public.
8. Copy to M/s. Leap International Private Limited , the Custodian / Custom Cargo Service Provider of ICD, MARRIPALEM - 522 233, YEDLAPADU MANDALAM, MARRIPALEM POST, GUNTUR DISTRICT for information with a request to upload this Public Notice on their website for the knowledge of the stakeholders and public.
9. Copy to The Kakinada Custom Brokers Association, Kakinada (through the Joint Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kakinada) for information with a request to upload this Public Notice on their website for the knowledge of their members and public.
10. Notice Board.

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Annexure-A

Message ID	CACHl01 (Part 15/25)
Message Description	IGM
From	Customs House Agent/ Importer
To	Customs
Segment Tag	<TABLE>IGMS

S.No.	Field Description	pbe_amend
1	Message type	A
2	Custom House Code	K
3	User Job No.	X
4	User Job Date	X
5	BE Number	K
6	BE Date	K
7	IGM No.	M
8	IGM Date	M
9	Inward Date	X
10	Gateway IGM Number	O
11	Gateway IGM date	O
12	Gateway Port Code	O
13	MAWB/BL No	M
14	MAWB/BL Date	M
15	HAWB/HBL No	K
16	HAWB/HBL Date	O
17	Total No. Of Packages	X
18	Gross Weight	X
19	Unit Quantity Code	X
20	Package Code	X
21	Marks And Numbers 1	X
22	Marks And Numbers 2	X
23	Marks And Numbers 3	X