

## सीमा शुल्क (निवारक) के आयुक्त का कार्यालय OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (PREVENTIVE COMMISSIONERATE)

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Subject:- Clarifications regarding Refunds of IGST paid on import in case of risky exporters - reg.

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Attention of all the Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers, Steamer Agents, Custodians/ Customs Cargo Service Providers, Trade Associations / Chamber of Commerce, Members of the RAC/ PGC and the Public is invited on the above subject.

- 2. Board has received representations wherein various exporters and organisations have raised the issue of repeated opening of export containers for 100% examination related to risky exporters, under the new procedure laid down in <u>Circular 16/2019-Customs dated 17.06.2019</u>. Exporters have taken the plea that their cargo is getting delayed and they have to incur additional costs for carrying out re-packing. All the members of the Regional Advisory Committee, Trade and Industry Associations are requested to circulate the Public Notice among their constituent members for implementation and guidance.
- 3. The matter has been examined. Board has issued the aforesaid circular as a preventive measure against fraudulent refund of IGST on the basis of

ineligible or fraudulently availed input tax credit (ITC). While addressing the aforesaid issue and consequent risk to revenue, Board would not like to dilute the emphasis it laid on reduction in time and cost related with EXIM clearances. It is pertinent to mention that only a miniscule percentage of export consignments are being selected for examination on account of risk associated with fraudulent availment of IGST refunds. However, keeping in view the issues raised by trade, Board has decided that the requirement of 100% physical examination of each export consignment shall be gradually relaxed provided no irregularity was noticed in earlier examinations of export consignments of export entities in terms of Circular No. 16/2019-Customs dated 17.06.2019.

- 4. In order to bring down the level of examination, Board has decided that RMCC shall take into consideration the feedback received from field formations with regard to the 100% examination conducted on exports of risk based identified entities and wherever the examination has validated the declaration made in the shipping bill, RMCC may review the risk assessment and gradually taper down the percentage of physical examination. Suitable alerts based on re-evaluated risk may accordingly be inserted in the system by RMCC in such cases.
- 5. Action to be taken in terms of decisions taken in this Public Notice should be considered as Standing Order for the purpose of officers and staff.
- 6. Any difficulty, experienced in the implementation, may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

(एस. फहीम अहमद/S.FAHEEM AHMED) PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER

To All the Importers / Exporters / Customs Brokers Agencies /Customs Brokers Licensees / Customs Brokers Associations under the jurisdiction of Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada through the Additional / Joint Commissioner of Customs, Krishnapatnam Custom House / Kakinada Custom House and the Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD, Marripalem.

 Copy submitted to the Chief Commissioner of Customs and Central Tax, Visakhapatnam zone, GST Bhavan, Port Area, Visakhapatnam – 530035 for information.

## Copy to:

- The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Krishnapatnam Custom House, KAPS Building, CVR Complex, Krishnapatnam Port Area, Gopalapuram, MUTHUKURU-524344 S.P.S.R Nellore District for information with a direction to give wide publicity among the exporters under the jurisdiction of KPCH.
- The Joint Commissioner of Customs, Kakinada Custom House, Port Road, Kakinada – 533007, East Godavari District for information with a direction to give wide publicity among the exporters under the jurisdiction of KKDCH.
- 3. The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD Marripalem 522233, Guntur District for information with a direction to give wide publicity among the exporters under their jurisdiction.
- 4. The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Customs Division, Visakhapatnam / Kakinada / Vijayawada / Tirupati for information.
- 5. The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Hqrs. Trade Facilitation Centre, Hqrs.office, CC(P), Vijayawada for information.
- 6. Copy to Superintendent (Computers), CPC, Hqrs.office, Vijayawada for display on CPC, Vijayawada website www.apcustoms.gov.in
- 7. Copy to M/s Krishnapatnam Port Company Ltd., (KPCL) the custodian / Custom Cargo Service Provider of Krishnapatnam Port, Muthukur, SPSR Nellore District (Through the Additional Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Krishnapatnam) for information.
- 8. Copy to M/s Kakinada Seaports Ltd.,(KSPL) the custodian / Custom Cargo Service Provider of Kakinada Port, Kakinada (Through the Joint Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kakinada) for information.
- 9. Copy to M/s Leap International Private Ltd, the custodian / Custom Cargo Service Provider of ICD Marripalem, Guntur (Through the Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD, Marripalem, Guntur) for information.
- Copy to the Notice Board.