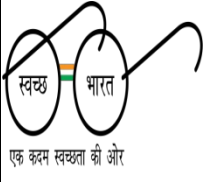


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Subject: Facilitation in import of pet dogs and pet cats along with stranded Indians in war-hit Middle East countries - reg.

Attention of all Importers, Airlines, Carriers, Customs Brokers, and the General Public is invited to Circular No. 11/2026-Customs dated 16.03.2026 issued by CBIC on the above subject.

2. The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying) has provided a **one-time relaxation** to facilitate import of pet dogs and/or pet cats accompanying stranded Indian nationals from war-hit Middle East countries, considering the extraordinary situation where pre-export formalities may not be fulfilled.

3. The broad facilitation measures are summarized below:

(1) Pre-Import Conditions:

(i) The declaration of the owner that the pet dogs and / or pet cats is residing with him / her at least for the past one month.

(ii) The owner should produce the pet vaccination certificate / pet book / pet passport indicating the history of the vaccination. The requisite vaccinations due / delayed shall also be considered.

(iii) In case the pet dog and / or pet cat is lifted from nearby neighboring countries, then the owners are advised to get the pet

animals checked from the veterinary authorities of respective country, in case available at airport or nearby.

(2) Post-Import Conditions:

(i) The pet dog and / or pet cat which are being imported with proper official veterinary health certificate with vaccination details issued by nearby neighbouring countries shall be given final Animal quarantine and certification Services (AQCS) clearance from the airport, after examination of documents and clinical examination by AQCS.

(ii) The pet dog and / or pet cat which are being imported with proper updated vaccination certificate shall be given final Animal Quarantine and Certification Services (AQCS) clearance from the airport, after examination of documents and clinical examination by AQCS.

(iii) The pet dog and / or pet cat which are being imported with vaccination certificate / pet book / passport and the last vaccination is not completed and is due / delayed by 15 days, or the pet dog and / or pet cat which are being imported without any veterinary health certificate or vaccination certificate, shall be vaccinated for rabies (cost to be borne by the owners as per actual) at the port of entry and be given final Animal Quarantine and Certification Services (AQCS) clearance from the airport, after examination of documents and clinical examination by AQCS.

(3) Cost of quarantine:

In case of any abnormal findings during clinical examination by AQCS, the pet to be quarantined at concerned AQCS and all the expenditures towards post-import quarantine of pet dog and/or pet cat including quarantine charges, vaccinations, medications etc. shall be borne by the owners as per actual /prevailing applicable charges by AQCS at minimal.

4. It is further informed that this facilitation is a **one-time relaxation** and shall not be treated as precedent in future. Other applicable requirements of agencies such as DGFT, Customs, etc. shall continue to apply.

5. All Airlines, Carriers, Customs Brokers and stakeholders are requested to take note of the above facilitation. Field formations are advised to ensure smooth implementation.

6. Difficulties, if any, faced in implementation may be brought to the notice of this office.

This Public Notice is issued for information of all concerned and general public.

BHARAT PRAKASH
COMMISSIONER

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