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Subject: Implementation of Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations (SCMTR), 2018 – Reg.

Attention of all Importers, Exporters, Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents, Custodians, Customs Brokers, and other stakeholders is invited to the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations (SCMTR), 2018, issued vide Notification No. 38/2018-Customs (N.T.) dated 11.05.2018, as amended and Notification No. 73/2026-Customs (N.T.) dated 01.09.2026.

2. It is informed that, with the completion of development and testing of electronic messages under SCMTR framework, the same have been made operational for the trade.

3. It is informed that, the SCMTR, 2018 shall be operational with effect from 1st Sept, 2026 across the ports pan India in a phased manner. With respect to the jurisdiction of this office, implementation of SCMTR framework shall be on 11.09.2026 at Cuddalore Port and for the remaining ports on 15.10.2026. It is expected that all stakeholders will file respective electronic messages in Customs Automated System for smooth functioning and clearance of cargo.

4. The SEZ units may utilise this transition period for on-boarding into SCMTR framework. All the system related issues shall be resolved by the field formations in coordination with the DG Systems and policy related issues shall be brought to the notice of this office for further submission to the appropriate authority. No penal action will be taken during this implementation phase.

5. Any difficulties in implementation may be brought to the notice of this office.

**BHARAT PRAKASH
COMMISSIONER**

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