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Subject: Clearance of RMS facilitated Bills of Entry from the RMS Cell, Procedures-reg.

Attention of the importers, Exporters, Custom Brokers, Custodians, port terminal operators, shipping lines/shipping agents and all other stakeholders is invited to the Boards Circular No.9/2019 Customs dated 28.02.2019 on *Next generation reform for Doing Business*. As laid down in para 5 of the Circular, a new functionality has been enabled in ICES 1.5, whereby the Bills of Entry pending for clearance will be automatically queued before the proper officer(having SUP role) for providing Out of charge(OOC).

- 2. Consequent to the above functionality, an RMS cell has been formed at the Custom House, Tuticorin to facilitate clearance of RMS Bills of Entry in respect of Consignments/containers arrived at all the CFSs(INTUT1) and ICD(INTUT6), with immediate effect and until further orders except in the following cases where examination is required to be done:
 - The container which is marked as "100% Examination or Marked area examination" by the Container Scanning Division on the EIR copies are subject to 100% examination at the respective CFS/ICD.
 - If inspection/examination of the consignment is warranted by the Compulsory Compliance Requirements (CCR) instructions as per CBEC notification No. 23/2006 dated 06.03.2006.
 - If representative samples are required to be drawn by the participating governing agencies(PGA) in compliance with the allied Acts.
 - The RMS facilitated Bill of Entry which is selected for intervention by the concerned officer of RMS Facilitation Unit as per guidelines laid down by CBEC vide letter No: F.No.465/01/2013-Cus V dated 28.01.2014 shall be examined 100% at the respective CFS.

- In cases where there are strong reasons to believe that the importer has misdeclared the classification, value, description, weight of consignment etc., warranting physical examination of goods.
- 3. The following procedure is prescribed for clearance of RMS facilitated Bills of Entry:-
- a) The CHAs shall register the Bill of Entry as instructed in the Board's Circular No.09/2019 dated 28.02.2019.
- b) The Out of Charge Officer at the RMS Cell shall scrutinize the import related documents accompanying the registered Bill of Entry and accord Out of Charge (OOC), except in respect of the cases referred above at Para 2 supra, after verification of the documents.
- c) The OOC officer shall issue necessary instructions to the Inspector at the respective CFS/ICD to verify the marks & numbers for LCL consignments and container number, seal number & weight for FCL consignments before permitting the packages/containers to leave the CFS/ICD.
- d) The Inspector at the CFS/ICD shall verify whether the OTL seals are intact and not missing, verify the container and seal number for FCL consignments and marks & numbers for LCL consignments before making "passed out" endorsement on the bill of entry copy. If the OTL seal is found to be missing or tampered with or if any discrepancies in container number or weight of the FCL consignments are observed, the Inspector should bring the same to the notice of respective AC (CFS/ICD), who shall decide whether to subject such containers to 100% examination, on case to case basis.
- e) The Containers which are selected for 100% examination or Marked area examination by the scanning division as said in the Para 2 supra, examination is to be conducted by Inspector and Superintendent of the SIIB. In case no discrepancy is found during examination, then the container shall be released on the basis of OOC already given after writing remark on the hard copy of B/E "OOC already given in the system restored" and examination report should also be endorsed on the hard copy of the BE by Inspector and Supdt. of SIIB.
- 4. In respect of the cases referred to at Para 2 supra, such Bill of Entry shall be submitted to the concerned Supdt., CFS/ICD and OOC shall be given to such Bills of Entry at the concerned CFS/ICD following the existing procedures.
- 5. In respect of the containers for which the OTL bottle seal(s) is found missing or tampered with at the Terminal gate and resealed by the Customs officers as indicated on the EIR copy, such container is to be scanned at the Container Scanning Division, Tuticorin. If the container is marked as "100% Examination or Marked area examination" by the Container Scanning Division on the EIR copies, then the procedure mentioned in Para 3(e) supra should be followed.

- 6. Henceforth all the RMS facilitated Bills of Entry pertaining to Tuticorin (INTUT1 & INTUT6) will be processed at the RMS cell, Custom House, Tuticorin ONLY for providing OOC.
- 7. Difficulty, if any in the implementation of this facility intimation may be brought to the notice of this office immediately.

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