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Sub: Review of Circular No.17/2020 dated 03.04.2020 namely
"Measure to facilitate trade during the lockdown period - Section
143AA of the Customs Act, 1962" -reg.

Attention of the Importers, Exporters, Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents, Customs Brokers, Trade and Public is invited to Board Circular No.17/2020 dated 03.04.2020 and this Office Public Notice No.10/2020 dated 03.04.2020 on the above subject. The Board has now reviewed the above Circular and issued Circular No.21 dated 21.04.2020, the details of which are furnished hereunder:

2. Kind attention is invited to Board's Circular No. 17/2020 dated 03.04.2020 on 'Measures to facilitate trade during the lockdown period-section 143AA of the Customs Act, 1962' wherein relaxation was given to accept an undertaking in lieu of a bond required during customs clearance upto 30.04.2020, subject to conditions as underlined in the circular. The said circular was issued in the context of lockdown announced by the Government for the period 25.03.2020 to 14.04.2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic.

3. In the background of the recent announcement by the Government extending the lockdown till 03.05.2020 and taking into consideration that it might take sometime after the end of the lockdown for the situation to normalise, the Board has decided to further extend the facility of accepting undertaking in lieu of bond for the period till 15.05.2020. Consequently, the date for submission of proper bond in lieu of which the undertaking is being temporarily accepted is extended till 30.05.2020. This relaxation will be reviewed by the Board at the end of the lockdown period.

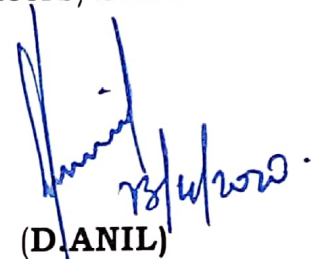
4. Furthermore, in reference to para 3.3 (ii) of the circular, the undertaking in lieu of bond is to be submitted from the registered email id of the IEC holder or their authorised Customs Broker. In addition to this

requirement, but not in substitution, uploading of the undertaking on e-Sanchit.

5. With the exception of the above, all other conditions underlined in Circular No.17/2020 dated 03.04.2020 and in Public Notice No. 10/2020 dated 03.04.2020 stand as they are.

6. Difficulty, if any may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

7. Action to be taken in terms of decisions taken in this Public Notice will be considered as Standing Order for the purpose of Officers/Staff.



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COMMISSIONER

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