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Sub.: Implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR) for Tuticorin Customs (INTUT1 & INTUT6) w.e.f. 15.11.2024 – Reg.

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Kind attention of Authorized Sea Carriers (Including Shipping Lines), Authorized Sea Agents (Steamers/Shipping Agents), Authorized Carriers (Transhippers), Terminal Operators, Custodians, Freight Forwarders, Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers, Authorized Persons of all the above, Associations and Federations representing the above persons and all other concerned stakeholders is invited to the CBIC Notification No. 74/2024-Customs (N.T) dated 30.10.2024 vide which the phase-wise implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR) has been extended from 01.11.2024 to 15.11.2024 for Tuticorin Customs (INTUT1 & INTUT6).

- 2. The SCMTR seeks to bring about transparency, predictability of movement, advance collection of information for expeditious risk-based Customs clearance. The regulations stipulate the obligations, the roles and responsibilities, for the various stakeholders involved in the movement of imported/exported goods. The regulations also specify the changes to the formats and timelines for filing the manifest declarations. Board Circular No. 43/2020-Customs dated 30.09.2020 has elaborated more on the above aspects.
- 3. The old formats have been continued to be accepted as per the transitional provision under Regulation 15 (2) and thereby giving sufficient time for complying with the new formats in a phased manner.
- 4. It has now been decided by the Board to implement SCMTR in a phased manner in terms of the Notification No. 74/2024-Customs (N.T) dated 30.10.2024 vide which the phase-wise implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR) has been

extended from 01.11.2024 to 15.11.2024 for Tuticorin Customs (INTUT1 & INTUT6).

- 5. As per the above stated Notification, filing only in the new format as per SCMTR will become mandatory. Therefore, the stakeholders are advised to start filing immediately in the new format on a parallel basis on priority, as failure of the same may negatively impact the cargo clearance times for those consignments after the same becomes mandatory on effective date.
- 6. In this regard, all the allocated ASC/ASA/Transhipper are advised to acquaint themselves with the common repetitive errors received while filing the e- manifests and intimate the concerned Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Customs, in charge of IG section of Custom House, Tuticorin about the success/failure of such filings and difficulties faced, if any, before the arrival of the vessel. Also, they may approach the concerned officer, in case of any genuine difficulty faced with errors related to the system, if any, for further escalation with DG Systems.
- 7. The Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Customs shall ensure that all the allotted ASC/ASA/Transhipper under them are filing e-manifests. They should escalate the system-related errors that are not resolved locally in filing e- manifests to the Deputy Director, DG Systems under intimation to the Joint Commissioner, EDI.
- 8. Any difficulty faced in the implementation of this Public Notice may be brought to the notice of this office. This Public Notice shall also be treated as a Standing Order for the purpose of officers and staff.

(VIKAS NAIR) COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

To,

- i). Trade associations as per mailing list.
- ii) All concerned officers in Custom House Tuticorin.
- iii). Notice Board.
- iv). EDI section, Custom House Tuticorin.

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i. Chief Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Trichy