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## **FACILITY INTIMATION NO. 31 /2018**

Sub: Furnishing of appropriate Rotation No in the Gate Pass-reg..

Attention of the Custodians/Customs Cargo Service Providers/Custom Brokers / Exporters and all concerned is invited to the CODEX Gate out pass generated from the CFS/ICD during the gate out of the export containers.

- 2. It has been brought to the notice that the Customs brokers/Custodians/Customs Cargo Service Providers are not entering the exact vessel name and rotation number corresponding to the container covered under the Gate pass. More often than not, the gate passes are prepared in a haste and rotation numbers entered in the Gate Pass are not representing the corresponding containers to be loaded. The entered rotation number in the gate pass, on many occasions, have been found to be pertaining to some other vessel or some other voyage of the same vessel. It is further noticed that sometimes the container number and shipping bill numbers are also entered wrongly.
- 3.1. This office has issued a Public Notice No.17/2018 dated 14.06.2018 requiring mandatory filing of EGM before the departure of vessel under Section 41 of the Customs Act, 1962. Section 41 provides for filing of the Export General Manifest (EGM) before departure of the Vessel from the customs station and Section 42 provides for issue of order permitting departure of vessel. The order permitting departure of vessel can be issued only after compliance of the provisions of Section

- 41 i.e only after verifying the correctness of the EGM filed, order permitting departure of vessel can be issued.
- 3.2. Therefore, in order to verify the correctness of the EGM filed under Section 41, a verification mechanism has been put in place at green gate. When the export containers are allowed inside the green gate, the gate officer are entering the corresponding gate pass details in a separate register, rotation number wise. When EGM is filed for a rotation number, the same is cross verified with the said register as it contains rotation number wise details of total containers and shipping bills.
- 3.3. The very purpose of the above verification mechanism gets defeated if the gate pass contains incorrect details with regard to rotation number, container no and shipping bill number. Because of the mistakes committed at source viz. CFS/ICD, the same mistakes are repeated in the register maintained at green gate also. Since the gate pass does not represent the exact rotation number, apparently the green gate register also carries the same mistake. Because of this, when the EGM details are cross verified with the register maintained in the Green gate, there is always mis match of containers numbers and shipping bill numbers vis-a-vis rotation number.
- 4. Therefore, here in afterwards, the Custodians / CCSPs shall take utmost care in preparing the gate pass during the gate out of the export containers from their respective CFSs/ICD and enter exact rotation number corresponding to the container covered under the said gate pass. They have to cross check the container number and corresponding rotation number from the EIR issued by the Terminal operators and accordingly prepare the gate pass. Since EIR is a document which provides the exact information with regard to the container no and the corresponding rotation number, it may be used as a base document for preparing the gate pass. Also they have to exercise utmost care in entering the shipping bill nos and container nos in the gate pass.
- 5. The Custodians/ Customs Cargo Service Providers are solely responsible for the veracity of the gate pass and any deviation from this shall be viewed seriously and

penal action shall be initiated against the erring Custodians/ Customs Cargo Service Providers.

6. Difficulty, if any, may be bought to the notice of this Office immediately.

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