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THE PLASTICS EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
(Sponsored By The Ministry Of Commerce & Industry, Deptt. Of Commerce, Government Of India)

Plexconcil Circular dated 07.07.2020

To,
All the Members of the Council,

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Subject : Regarding Turant Customs – Turant Suvidha Kendra and Other Initiatives for Contactless Customs

Ref. No. : Circular No.32/2020-Customs

We wish to inform you that Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs has issued Circular for **Turant Suvidha Kendra and Other Initiatives for Contactless Customs**

Under its flagship 'Turant Customs' programme aimed at providing a 'Faceless, Contactless and Paperless' Customs administration, Board has recently introduced a number of initiatives that leverage technology in order to enhance the efficiency in the Customs clearance processes thereby leading to speedy clearances, transparency in decision making, ease of doing business and very importantly, reduce physical contact in the prevailing pandemic situation.

These initiatives include, amongst others, automated clearances of Bills of Entry, digitization of Customs documents, paperless clearance, Faceless Assessment and establishment of Turant Suvidha Kendra at Bengaluru and Chennai vide Circulars No.05/2020-Customs, dated 27.01.2020, No.19/2020-Customs, dated 13.04.2020 and No.28/2020-Customs, dated 05.06.2020 respectively.

Continuing with the aforementioned initiatives and with a view to further prepare the ground for applying the reforms pan-India, Board has now decided to take certain measures, which are detailed below.

Turant Suvidha Kendra (TSKs) in All Customs Formations:

The Principal Chief Commissioners of Customs/ Chief Commissioners of Customs are advised to set up the TSKs in all Customs stations by 15.07.2020. This step is being taken in advance of the pan-India rollout Faceless Assessment, which would be done in phases to be announced soon. To reiterate, the broad scheme of the TSK would be as follows:

- (i) The document verification by Customs officers at Assessment and Customs Compliance Verification (CCV) stages would normally be based on the documents uploaded in the e-Sanchit, not requiring physical submission of documents. However, if in any exceptional situation the physical submission of documents is required by

Customs, for defacement or validation, such submission would be made only at the TSKs.

- (ii) Documents requiring verification during examination for validation with goods would continue to be done during examination, as at present.
- (iii) One or more TSKs may be set up for the convenience of the trade.
- (iv) Suitable procedures are to be devised for handling & safe keeping of the documents produced at TSKs. Ideally these documents should also be kept in electronic form

Registration of Authorised Dealer Code, Bank Accounts through ICEGATE:

Registration and Changes with respect to Authorised Dealer (AD) Code and Bank Account(s) for purposes of remittances and availing export benefits respectively at every Customs station can be now done online.

The detailed step-by-step guide is available on the ICEGATE portal at

https://www.icegate.gov.in/Download/Bank_Account_Management_Advisory.pdf.

Automated debit of bond after Assessment

To do away with this requirement of importers or their representatives are required to physically visit Customs House for physical debit of Bonds after the Bill of Entry is returned (to the importer) for the payment of duty.

Simplified Registration of Importers/Exporters in ICEGATE

The registration help using functionalities are useful to the importers / exporters and would help them in their management of imports and exports. Some of these functionalities are Management of Bank Accounts, Ledger View, IGST Refund status, Query Reply etc.

The simplified registration on ICEGATE can be done easily in few moments by following the steps given in the link at

https://www.icegate.gov.in/Download/Advisory_for_Simplified_Registration_at_ICEGATE_v1.pdf

The Circular No. 32/2020- Customs Dated 06.07.2020 can be downloaded from link below:

<https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-circulars/cs-circulars-2020/Circular-No-32-2020.pdf>

Members may take note of the above information.

Best regards

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