OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT)

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, SHEVA

TAL. URAN, DIST. RAIGAD

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PUBLIC NOTICE NO.55/2011

Sub: Filing of Advance/Prior Bill of Entry in ICES 1.5 in lieu of manual Bill of Entry-reg

Attention of all the Stake Holders i.e Importers / CHAs / Carrier Agents (including Shipping Agents ,Steamer Agents / Console Agents etc.) and all other agencies concerned is invited to the fact that EDI operations at Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House, Nhava Sheva , Dist.Raigad, have been migrated from ICES V 1.0 to ICES V 1.5 w.e.f. 05.04.2011. It is noticed that a number of requests for manual noting of Bills of Entry are made due to non-successful filing of IGM/supplementary IGM/Consol IGM(CGM) in ICES 1.5 for some of the vessels by Steamer Agents and Console Agents, as the case may be. In this regard, permission to file manual IGM was given on case to case basis. To facilitate clearance of cargo pending with reference to such vessels, the following procedure may be followed:-

The Importers/CHAs may file advance/prior Bill of Entry in such cases and complete the assessment process and payment of Customs duty, if any, in ICES 1.5.

Since after payment of duty, the advance/prior Bill of Entry would not be available for Goods Registration without regularization, the Docks Officer would not be in a position to process the Bill of Entry further in ICES 1.5. Therefore, on payment of the duties, if any, on advance/prior Bill of Entry, the importer/CHA can go to the Import Noting Section, wherein a noting would be made on the Bill of Entry copy by the nominated officer after verification of Bill of Entry details with the manual IGM filed. After verification, the nominated officer will indicate the manual IGM Number and Line Number with his signature for further manual processing at Docks.

With reference to LCL cargo, it is essential that CGM is also filed. Therefore to facilitate filing of Bills of Entry in such cases, the filing of manual CGM is permitted for the vessels wherein

manual IGM was permitted. This is subject to condition that the CGM is updated in the ICES 1.5 as soon as the IGM is updated in the ICES 1.5.

The Import Section shall receive manual CGM with reference to IGMs where manual filing was permitted and verify the Bill of Entry details with the hard copy of manual IGM filed and forward the same to the Docks.

The Docks Officer will register such Bill of Entry manually after verification of duty payment and noting by Import Noting Section and give Out of Charge manually after completing the process of examination. In all such cases, the Docks Officer shall maintain proper record to enable regularization subsequently.

Consequent to successful filing of IGM/CGM, the importers/CHAs have to ensure regularization of all such Bills of Entry in ICES 1.5. It may also be noted that they will not be in a position to take OOC copy of Bills of Entry unless they are regularized in the ICES 1.5. In case, any problem is faced for such regularization (requiring IGM amendment, etc) the nominated officer in the Import Noting section may be contacted.

Difficulties faced, if any, in implementation of the Public Notice may please be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

Sd/(MALA SRIVASTAVA)
COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT)
JNCH, NHAVA SHEVA

To,

All the Concerned Officers

Copy for information to:

i) The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai-II Zone, JNCH

- ii) The Commissioner of Customs (Export), JNCH
- iii) The Additional Commissioner of Customs (EDI) : for uploading the same on JNCH website.
- iv) The Bombay Custom House Agent Association.
- v) All Shipping Agents/Console Agents Association (As per mailing list)