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JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, NHAVA-SHEVA,
ताल-ऊरण, डिस्ट-राइगड़, महाराष्ट्र-४०० ७०७.
TAL. URAN, DIST. RAIGAD, MAHARASHTRA - 400 707.

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Passed By: Dr. Satish Kumar
Additional Commissioner of Customs, CAC, Gr.VI, NS-V, JNCH

Order-In-Original No. : 1008/2025-26/JC/GR.VA/NS-V/CAC/JNCH

Name of Party/Noticee :- M/s. Vivek Woollen Industries (IEC- 3393000349)

मूल आदेश

- यह प्रति जिस व्यक्ति को जारी की जाती है, उसके उपयोग के लिए निःशुल्क दी जाती है।
- इस आदेश के विरुद्ध अपील सीमाशुल्क अधिनियम 1962 की धारा 128 (1) के तहत इस आदेश की संसूचना की तारीख से साठ दिनों के भीतर सीमाशुल्क आयुक्त (अपील), जवाहरलाल नेहरू सीमाशुल्क भवन, शेवा, ता. उरण, जिला - रायगढ़, महाराष्ट्र -400707 को की जा सकती है। अपील दो प्रतियों में होनी चाहिए और सीमाशुल्क (अपील) नियमावली, 1982 के अनुसार फॉर्म सी.ए. 1 संलग्नक में की जानी चाहिए। अपील पर न्यायालय फीस के रूप में 2.00 रुपये मात्र का स्टॉप लगाया जायेगा और साथ में यह आदेश या इसकी एक प्रति लगायी जायेगी। यदि इस आदेश की प्रति संलग्न की जाती है तो इस पर न्यायालय फीस के रूप में 2.00 रुपये का स्टॉप भी लगाया जायेगा जैसा कि न्यायालय फीस अधिनियम 1970 की अनुसूची 1, मद 6 के अंतर्गत निर्धारित किया गया है।
- इस निर्णय या आदेश के विरुद्ध अपील करनेवाला व्यक्ति अपील अनिर्णीत रहने तक, शुल्क या शास्ति के संबंध में विवाद होने पर माँगे गये शुल्क के 7.5% का, अथवा केवल शास्ति के संबंध में विवाद होने पर शास्ति का भुगतान करेगा।

ORDER-IN-ORIGINAL

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- An appeal against this order lies with the Commissioner of Customs (Appeal), Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House, Nhava Sheva, Tal : Uran, Dist : Raigad, Maharashtra – 400707 under section 128(1) of the Customs Act, 1962 within sixty days from the date of communication of this order. The appeal should be in duplicate and should be filed in Form CA-1 Annexure on the Customs (Appeal) Rules, 1982. The Appeal should bear a Court Fee stamp of Rs.2.00 only and should be accompanied by this order or a copy thereof. If a copy of this order is enclosed, it should also bear a Court Fee Stamp of Rs. 2.00 only as prescribed under Schedule 1, items 6 of the Court Fee Act, 1970.
- Any person desirous of appealing against this decision or order shall, pending the appeal, make payment of 7.5% of the duty demanded where duty or duty and penalty are in dispute, or penalty, where penalty alone is in dispute.

BRIEF FACTS OF THE CASE

1. Whereas, **M/s. VIVEK WOOLLEN INDUSTRIES (IEC:3393000349)** having address at **38, old housing board colony, Panipat, Haryana- 132103** (hereinafter referred to as 'the importer') had cleared their imported items viz "100%POLYESTERCOMFORTER,100%POLYESTER BED SHEET etc." (hereinafter referred to as 'the subject goods') vide Bills of Entry No. 8338278 dtd. 31.07.2020 & 8621181 dtd. 28.08.2020 as mentioned in Annexure-A and the same were cleared through Customs by classifying it under CTH 9404. IGST was paid on the said item @ 12% under serial number 224 or of Schedule – II of Notification No. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017 (as amended from time to time).
2. The appropriate IGST on the subject item is 18% as per Sr. No. 438 of Schedule III of the said Notification. The relevant part of the Notification No. 01/2017 is as under:

SR. No. & Schedule	CTH	Description of Goods
II-224 (IGST RATE 12%)	9404	Products wholly made of quilted textile materials
I-257A (IGST RATE 5%)	9404	Cotton quilts of sale value not exceeding Rs. 1000 per piece
III-438* (IGST RATE 18%)	9404	Mattress supports; articles of bedding and similar furnishing (for example, mattresses, quilts, eiderdowns, cushions, pouffes and pillows) fitted with springs or stuffed or internally fitted with any material or of cellular rubber or plastics, whether or not covered (other than Coir products (Except Coir mattresses), Products wholly made of quilted textile materials and Cotton quilts.

*substituted vide Notification 43/2017 dated 14.11.2017.

3. From the description of the goods declared in the respective Bills of Entry, it is appears that the goods in question are not eligible for IGST payment @12% under serial number 224 of Schedule – II IGST Notification No. 01/2017 and @5% under serial number 257-A of Schedule – I IGST Notification No. 01/2017 (as amended from time to time), which clearly & specifically is allowed for goods mentioned against the said entries. Therefore, the goods imported by the Importer attracts levy of IGST @18 under Sr. No. 438 of Schedule-III of Notification No. 01/2017. The details of description of goods, Bills of Entry, applicability of corrected IGST amount, are as per Annexure-A to the SCN.

4. Since the applicability of IGST @ 18% as per Sr. No. 438 of Schedule III of IGST Notification No. 01/2017-Integrated Tax(Rate) dated 28.06.2017 on *"Mattress supports; articles of bedding and similar furnishing (for example, mattresses, quilts, eiderdowns, cushions, pouffes and pillows) fitted with springs or stuffed or internally fitted with any material or of cellular rubber or plastics, whether or not covered (other than Coir products (Except Coir mattresses), Products wholly made of quilted textile materials and Cotton quilts"* is very clear and specific, it appears that the Importer had wilfully mis-declared the subject goods by way of wrong IGST Schedule for the purpose of importing the same, declaring IGST @12% under serial number 224 of Schedule-II instead of 18% as per Sr. No. 438 of Sch-III of IGST Notification No. 01/2017-Integrated Tax(Rate) dated 28.06.2017 (as amended) thereby paying lower duty than applicable and thus the provisions of Section 28 (4) are invocable in this case.
5. Accordingly, a Consultative Letter No. 1712/2022-23/ (C1) vide F. No. S/2-Audit-Gen-310/2019-20/JNCH/C1 Pt. XXXV dated 11.01.2023 was issued to the importer for payment of short levied duty along with applicable interest and penalty. Vide the aforementioned Consultative letter, the Importer was advised to pay the Differential IGST along with interest and penalty in terms of Section 28(4) of the Customs Act 1962. The importer was further advised to avail the benefit of lower penalty in terms of Section 28(5) of the Customs Act, 1962, by early payment of short paid IGST duty and interest along with penalty @ 15%. However the importer has not responded till date.
6. After the introduction of self-assessment vides Finance Act, 2011, the onus is on the Importer to make true and correct declaration in all aspects including Classification and calculation of duty, but in the instant case the subject goods have been mis-classified and IGST amount has not been paid correctly.
7. Relevant legal provisions for recovery of duty that appears to be evaded are reproduced here for the sake of brevity which are applicable in this instant case:
 - 7.1 Section 17(1) Assessment of duty, reads as: An importer entering any imported goods under section 46, or an exporter entering any export goods under section 50, shall, save as otherwise provided in section 85, self-assess the duty, if any, leviable on such goods.
 - 7.2 Section 28 (Recovery of duties not levied or not paid or short-levied or short-paid or erroneously refunded) reads as:

(4) Where any duty has not been levied or not paid or has been short-levied or short-paid or erroneously refunded, or interest payable has not been paid, part-paid or erroneously refunded, by reason of,-

- (a) collusion; or
- (b) any wilful mis-statement; or
- (c) suppression of facts,

by the importer or the exporter or the agent or employee of the importer or exporter, the proper officer shall, within five years from the relevant date, serve notice on the person chargeable with duty or interest which has not been so levied or not paid or which has been so short-levied or short-paid or to whom the refund has erroneously been made, requiring him to show cause why he should not pay the amount specified in the notice.

(5) Where any duty has not been levied or not paid or has been short-levied or short paid or the interest has not been charged or has been part-paid or the duty or interest has been erroneously refunded by reason of collusion or any wilful mis-statement or suppression of facts by the importer or the exporter or the agent or the employee of the importer or the exporter, to whom a notice has been served under sub-section (4) by the proper officer, such person may pay the duty in full or in part, as may be accepted by him, and the interest payable thereon under section 28AA and the penalty equal to fifteen per cent of the duty specified in the notice or the duty so accepted by that person, within thirty days of the receipt of the notice and inform the proper officer of such payment in writing.

(6) Where the importer or the exporter or the agent or the employee of the importer or the exporter, as the case may be, has paid duty with interest and penalty under sub-section (5), the proper officer shall determine the amount of duty or interest and on determination, if the proper officer is of the opinion-

(i) that the duty with interest and penalty has been paid in full, then, the proceedings in respect of such person or other persons to whom the notice is served under sub-section (1) or sub-section (4), shall, without prejudice to the provisions of sections 135, 135A and 140 be deemed to be conclusive as to the matters stated therein; or

(ii) that the duty with interest and penalty that has been paid falls short of the amount actually payable, then, the proper officer shall proceed to issue the notice as provided for in clause (a) of sub-section (1) in respect of such amount which falls short of the amount actually payable in the manner specified under that sub-section and the period of two years shall be computed from the date of receipt of information under sub-section (5).

7.3 *SECTION 28AA- Interest on delayed payment of duty*

7.4 *SECTION 46- Entry of goods on importation, subsection 46(4) reads as:*

7.5 *Section 111- (Confiscation of improperly imported goods etc.)*

7.6 *Section 112- (Penalty for improper importation of goods etc.) reads as:*

7.7 *SECTION 114A- Penalty for short-levy or non-levy of duty in certain cases. –*

7.8 *SECTION 117. Penalties for contravention, etc., not expressly mentioned. - Any person who contravenes any provision of this Act or abets any such contravention or who fails to comply with any provision of this Act with which it was his duty to comply, where no express penalty is elsewhere provided for such contravention or failure, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one lakh rupees.*

8. Acts of omission and commission by the Importer:

8.1 As per section 17(1) of the Act, "An Importer entering any imported goods under section 46, shall, save as otherwise provided in section 85, self-assess the duty, if any, leviable on such goods." Thus, in this case the importer had self-assessed the Bills of Entry and appears to have Short levy of IGST due to wrong selection of IGST Schedule. As the importer got monetary benefit due to said act, it is apparent that the same was done deliberately by with an intention to avail undue benefit of wrong IGST Schedule on the said goods in the Bills of Entry during self-assessment. Therefore, differential IGST amount is recoverable from the importer under Section 28(4) of the Customs Act, 1962 along with applicable interest as per Section 28AA of the said Act.

8.2 It appears that the Importer has given a declaration under section 46(4) of the Act, for the truthfulness of the content submitted at the time of filing Bill of Entry. However, the applicable IGST rate on the subject goods was not paid by the Importer at the time of clearance of goods. It also appears that the Importer has submitted a false declaration under section 46(4) of the Act. By the act of presenting goods in contravention to the provisions of section 111(m), it appears that the Importer has rendered the subject goods liable for confiscation under section 111(m) of the Act. For the above act of deliberate omission and commission that rendered the goods liable to confiscation. Accordingly, the Importer also appears liable to penal action under Section 112 (a) and /or 114 A of the Customs Act, 1962.

9. From the foregoing, it appears that the Importer have availed benefit of wrong IGST Schedule which was not actually available for the said goods; that the Importer have submitted a false declaration under section 46(4) of the said Act.

Due to this act of omission of Importer, there has been loss to the government exchequer equal to the differential duty.

10. Therefore, in terms of Section 124 read with Section 28(4) of the Customs Act, 1962, the above importer was called upon to show cause vide SCN No. 464/2025-26/ADC/Gr.VI/NS-V/CAC/JNCH dated 21.07.2025, as to why:
- (i) The IGST rate claimed under Schedule II – Sr. No. 224 and serial number 257-A of Schedule-I of IGST levy Notification No. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017(as amended) for the subject goods should not be rejected and IGST rate under Schedule-III, Sr. No. 438 of said notification should not be levied.
 - (ii) Differential IGST amount of **Rs. 8,88,827/- (Rupees Eight Lac Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Only)** with respect to the items covered under Bill of entry as mentioned in Table A to this notice should not be demanded under Section 28 (4) of the Customs Act, 1962 along with applicable interest as per Section 28AA of the Customs Act, 1962.
 - (iii) The subject goods as detailed in Annexure-A to this notice having a total assessable value of **Rs. 72,29,721/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lac Twenty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty One Only)** should not be held liable for confiscation under Section 111(m) of the Customs Act, 1962.
 - (iv) Penalty should not be imposed on the importer under Section 114 A of the Customs Act, 1962.

PERSONAL HEARING & WRITTEN SUBMISSION

11. In order to comply the principal of natural justice, opportunities of personal hearing in the matter were provided to the Importer vide letter F. No. S/10-133/2025-26/ADC/Gr.VI/NS-V/CAC/JNCH dated 01.08.2025, 14.08.2025 and 07.10.2025 to appear before the adjudicating authority on 12.08.2025, 26.08.2025 and 17.10.2025, for their oral/written submission against the subject show cause notice. However, no one attended the personal hearing on any of the above dates. Despite the sufficient number of opportunities for personal hearing given to the Importer, they have neither attended the personal hearing nor submitted any written reply in their defence. There is no counter reply/written submission against the Show Cause Notice received from the Importer.

DISCUSSIONS AND FINDINGS

12. I have gone through the facts of the case and material on records and oral and written submissions of the importer. I find that the subject Show Cause Notice proposes recovery of differential duty of **Rs.8,88,827/- (Rupees Eight Lac Eighty Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Only)** under Section 28(4) of the Customs Act, 1962 along with applicable interest under Section 28AA of the Customs Act, 1962. The SCN also proposes confiscation of goods having assessable value of **Rs. 72,29,721/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lac Twenty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty One Only)** along with the Penalty under Section 114A of the Customs Act, 1962.
13. I find that the core issue of the SCN is that the importer has paid lower rate of IGST @5% as per Sl. no. 257A of Schedule-I and IGST @12% under serial number 224 of Schedule-II of IGST Notification no. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017. I find that the department contended that the importer is liable to pay IGST @18% under Sr. No. 438 of Schedule-III of IGST Notification no. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017.
14. Now the following issues emerges for decision in this case:
- a. Whether the impugned goods has correctly paid IGST @5% and @12% or the importer is liable to pay IGST @18% on the imported goods, as contended by the SCN.
 - b. Whether the goods are liable for confiscation under Section 111(m) and the importer is liable for penalty under Section 114A of the Customs Act, 1962.
15. I find that ample opportunities of personal hearing have been granted to the Importer to be heard in person and to submit their reply/defence submission against the Show Cause Notice. However, neither any written submission/reply to the Show Cause Notice has been submitted by the importer nor any of their representatives turned up for the said personal hearing. Therefore, I am left with no option other than to decide the case ex-parte on the basis of records available and the existing legal position at the relevant point of time.
16. I observe that the description of impugned goods in the Annexure-A is mentioned as '**100% POLYSTER COMFORTER OF VARIOUS SIZES**' which was imported under CTH9404. I further observe that the importer has paid IGST @5% as per Sl. no. 257A of Schedule-I and IGST @12% under serial number 224 of

Schedule-II of IGST Notification no. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017.

15. Coming to the question of IGST leviable on the impugned goods, I observe that as per the Notification No. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017(as referred in the SCN) as amended from time to time, Sl. No. 257A of Schedule-I and 224 of Schedule-II are applicable on goods having description as '**Cotton quilts of sale value not exceeding Rs. 1000 per piece**' and '**Products wholly made of quilted textile materials**' respectively. The same are reproduced as under:

Schedule	Sr. No	CTH	Description of Goods	Rate of IGST
I	257A	9404	Cotton quilts of sale value not exceeding Rs. 1000 per piece	5%
II	224	9404	Products wholly made of quilted textile materials	12%

- 15.1 Further, I observe that as per the Notification No. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017as amended vide Notification No. 43/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 14.11.2017, at Sl. No. 438, schedule-III, goods having description as "**Mattress supports; articles of bedding and similar furnishing (for example, mattresses, quilts, eiderdowns, cushions, pouffes and pillows) fitted with springs or stuffed or internally fitted with any material or of cellular rubber or plastics, whether or not covered [other than coir products (except coir mattresses), products wholly made of quilted textile materials and cotton quilts]**" attracts IGST @18%.

- 15.2 I find in open source (World Wide Web) that a **comforter** is basically a type of bedding made of two lengths of fabric or covering sewn together and filled with insulative materials for warmth, traditionally down or feathers, wool or cotton batting, silk, or polyester and other down alternative fibers. Like quilts, comforters are generally laid over a top bed sheet (and sometimes also blankets) and used to cover the body during sleep. A comforter is sometimes covered for protection and prolonged use. Comforter covers are similar in principle to pillowcases, usually closed with zippers or buttons.

(Source: Wikipedia)

- 15.3 I observe that the description of the impugned goods is Polyster Comforter and there is no written submission from the importer, hence, I have no other option

but to decide the matter as contended by the department through the said SCN and as per the definition of the comforter discussed in Para 15.2 above, I am of the considered view that the impugned goods is correctly classifiable under Sl. No. 438, schedule-III of Notification no. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017 as amended vide Notification No. 43/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 14.11.2017 and IGST@18% was applicable on the impugned goods and I hold the same

16. I find that after the introduction of self-assessment vide Finance Act, 2011, the onus is on the importer to make true and correct declaration in all aspects including calculation of duty. The relevant sections of the Customs Act, 1962 are reproduced below for ease of reference: -

16.1 Section 17(1) Assessment of duty, reads as:

An importer entering any imported goods under section 46, or an exporter entering any export goods under section 50, shall, save as otherwise provided in section 85, self-assess the duty, if any, leviable on such goods.

16.2 Further Section 28 (Recovery of duties not levied or not paid or short-levied or short-paid or erroneously refunded) reads as:

'(4) Where any duty has not been levied or not paid or has been short-levied or short- paid or erroneously refunded, or interest payable has not been paid, part-paid or erroneously refunded, by reason of-

- (a) collusion; or*
- (b) any willful mis-statement; or*
- (c) suppression of facts,*

by the importer or the exporter or the agent or employee of the importer or exporter, the proper officer shall, within five years from the relevant date, serve notice on the person chargeable with duty or interest which has not been so levied or not paid or which has been so short-levied or short- paid or to whom the refund has erroneously been made, requiring him to show cause why he should not pay the amount specified in the notice.

17. In view of the above, I observe that in the era of self-assessment, the onus of correct classification of goods and payment of duty thereon is on the importer. From the facts above, I find that, the Importer has mis-classified the impugned goods resulting in differential duty (IGST) of **Rs.8,88,827/- (Rupees Eight Lac Eighty Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Only).**

18. In the instant case, the misclassification of CTH by the importer having access to all legal aid, tantamount to suppression of material facts and wilful mis-statements. The "mensrea" can be deciphered only from "actus-reus". Thus, providing the wrong CTH and claiming undue benefit by the said Importer taking a chance to clear the goods by mis-classifying it, amply points towards their "mensrea" to evade the payment of duty.
19. Thus, I find that the extended period of limitation under Section 28(4) of the Customs Act, 1962 for the demand of duty is rightly invoked in the present case. Hence, I am of the considered opinion that recovery of differential duty (IGST), as proposed in the said SCN from the importer, under Section 28(4) of the customs Act, 1962 is sustainable and I hold the same.
20. Further, since the demand of duty is sustainable in the instant case, the interest being accessory to the principal, the same is liable to be paid in accordance with Section 28AA of the Customs Act, 1962.
21. Now coming to the question as to whether the impugned goods are liable for confiscation. I find that Section 111(m) of the Customs Act, 1962 provides for confiscation even in cases where goods do not correspond to any other particulars in respect of which the entry is made under this act. I am of the considered view that the words "in respect, any other particular with the entry made under this act" would also cover the case of misclassification by the Noticee. Hence, I am of the considered view that Section 111(m) of the said Act can be invoked.
22. As the importer, intentionally by suppressing of facts and wilfully, had wrongly classified the CTH of the goods while filing Bill of entry evaded legitimate Customs Duty, resulting in short levy and short payment of duty, I find that the confiscation of the imported goods invoking Section 111(m) is justified & sustainable. However, I find the goods imported vide bill of entry as mentioned in Table-A are not available for confiscation, but I rely upon the order of Hon'ble Madras High Court in case of M/s Visteon Automotive Systems India Limited reported in 2018 (9) G.S.T.L. 142 (Mad.) wherein the Hon'ble Madras High Court held in para 23 of the judgment as below:
23. *The penalty directed against the importer under Section 112 and the fine payable under Section 125 operate in two different fields. The fine under Section 125 is in lieu of confiscation of the goods. The payment of fine followed up by payment of duty and other charges leviable, as per sub-section (2) of Section 125, fetches relief for the goods from getting*

confiscated. By subjecting the goods to payment of duty and other charges, the improper and irregular importation is sought to be regularized, whereas, by subjecting the goods to payment of fine under sub-section (1) of Section 125, the goods are saved from getting confiscated. Hence, the availability of the goods is not necessary for imposing the redemption fine. The opening words of Section 125, "Whenever confiscation of any goods is authorized by this Act....", brings out the point clearly. The power to impose redemption fine springs from the authorization of confiscation of goods provided for under Section 111 of the Act. When once power of authorization for confiscation of goods gets traced to the said Section III of the Act, we are of the opinion that the physical availability of goods is not so much relevant. The redemption fine is in fact to avoid such consequences flowing the payment of the redemption fine saves the goods from getting confiscated. Hence, their physical availability does not have any significance for imposition of redemption fine under Section 125 of the Act. We accordingly answer question No. (i)."

23. I further find that the above view of Hon'ble Madras High Court in case of M/s Visteon Automotive Systems India Limited reported in 2018 (9) G.S.T.L. 142 (Mad), has been cited by Hon'ble Gujarat High Court in case of M/s Synergy Fertichem Pvt. Ltd reported in 2020 (33) G.S.T.L. 513 (Guj.) and the same have not been challenged by any of the parties in operation. Hence, I find that any goods improperly imported as provided in any sub-section of Section 111 of the Customs Act, 1962 are liable to confiscation and merely because the importer was not caught at the time of clearance of the imported goods, can't be given differential treatment. In view of the above, I find that the decision of the Hon'ble Madras High Court in the case of M/s Visteon Automotive Systems India Limited reported in 2018 (9) G.S.T.L. 142 (Mad.), which has been passed after observing the decision of Hon'ble Bombay High Court in case of M/s Finesse Creations Inc reported vide 2009 (248) ELT 122 (Bom)-upheld by Hon'ble Supreme Court in 2010(255) ELT A.120(SC), is squarely applicable in the present case. Accordingly, I find that the impugned goods are liable for confiscation under Section 111(m) of the Customs Act, 1962 and I hold the same.
24. Now coming to the issue of penalties, I find that the impugned notice proposes a penalty under Section 114A of the Customs Act, 1962. In this regard, I find that the importer failed to classify the goods correctly and properly and evaded legitimate duty (IGST). I find that in the self-assessment regime, it is the bounden duty of the Importer to correctly assess the duty on the imported

goods. Since, the importer has deliberately mis-classified the impugned goods by suppressing the facts to evade legitimate customs duty, I am of the considered view that penalty under Section 114A is rightly proposed in the said SCN and I hold the same.

25. In view of the above facts, I pass the following order:

ORDER

- i. I reject the IGST claimed under IGST @5% as per Sl. no. 257A of Schedule-I and IGST @12% under serial number 224 of Schedule-II of IGST Notification no. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017 and order to re-asses the said Bill of Entry by applying IGST @18% under Sr. No. 438 of Schedule-III of IGST Notification no. 01/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017.
- ii. I order to recover differential duty amount of **Rs.8,88,827/- (Rupees Eight Lac Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Only)** under the provisions of Section 28(4) of the Customs Act, 1962 along with applicable interest under Section 28AA of the Customs Act, 1962;
- iii. I order to confiscate the imported goods, having assessable value of **Rs. 72,29,721/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lac Twenty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty One Only)**, covered under Bill of Entry as detailed in Annexure-A, under Section 111(m) of the Customs Act, 1962, but since the same stood released, I impose redemption fine of **Rs. 7,00,000/- only (Rupees Seven Lakhs Only) under Section 125(1)** of the Customs Act, 1962 upon M/s Vivek Woollen Industries.
- iv. I order to impose penalty of **Rs.8,88,827/- (Rupees Eight Lac Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Only)**(equal to differential duty, as confirmed in Para 25(ii) above) **plus applicable interest**, under Section 114A of Customs Act, 1962 on M/s Vivek Woollen Industries. However, such penalty would be reduced to 25% of the total penalty imposed under Section 114A of the Customs Act, 1962 if the amount of duty as confirmed above, the interest and the reduced penalty is paid within 30 (thirty) days of communication of this Order, in terms of the first proviso to Section 114A of the Customs Act, 1962.

26. This order is issued without prejudice to any other action which may be taken in respect of the goods in question and/or against the persons concerned or any other persons, if found involved under the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962 and/or other law for the time being in force in the Republic of India.


(SATISH KUMAR)

Addl. Commissioner of Custom
Gr.VI, NS-V, JNCH

Encl: Annexure-A

To,

M/s. VIVEK WOOLLEN INDUSTRIES

38, Old Housing Board Colony,
Panipat, Haryana- 132103.

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IEC Code	IEC Name	Eight Digit HS Code	Full Item Description	Assessable Value Amount	BCD Rate	BCD Amount	IGST Amount	IGST T. Rat. %	IGST Notification	IGST Notification Serial Number	Customs Broker Name	IGST Amount	Appraisal Value	Correct IGST Sr. No.	IGST Payable @ 18%	Diff. IGST
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 225X240CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	976445.6	25	231611	59060.9	5.001/201/1257A	DURVA SI	1181218		6111438	21619	153558		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 225X240CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	810178.8	25	202545	51648.9	5.001/201/1257A	DURVA SI	1032978		6111438	185936	134287		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 225X240CM 100% POLYESTER BED SHEET	991126.4	25	247782	151642	12.001/201/1122A	DURVA SI	1763684		6111438	227164	758112		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 160X225CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	339073.8	25	84768.4	71619	5.001/201/11257A	DURVA SI	112319		6111438	778174	567014		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 225X240CM (WHOLLY MADE OF TEXTILE MATERIAL)	976111.95	25	244028	149345	12.001/201/1122A	DURVA SI	1244543		6111438	224013	74672.6		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 160X225CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	270360	25	67590	17235.5	5.001/201/11257A	DURVA SI	344709		6111438	62047.6	41812.1		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 225X240CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	594909	25	148727	91021.1	12.001/201/1122A	DURVA SI	758509		6111438	136532	45510.5		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 225X240CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	801351.2	25	200338	51086.1	5.001/201/11257A	DURVA SI	1021723		6111438	183910	132824		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 160X225CM (WHOLLY MADE OF TEXTILE MATERIAL)	905638.8	25	226410	138563	12.001/201/1122A	DURVA SI	1154689		6111438	207844	69281.4		
3399000349	VIVEK WC	9.4E+07.100%	POLYESTER COMFORTER,SIZE 160X225CM (WHOLLY MADE OF QUILTED TEXTIL	614524.5	25	153631	39175.9	5.001/201/11257A	DURVA SI	783519		6111438	141033	101857		
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