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Sub.: Customs – Movement of export containers on self-sealing basis to Nhava Sheva Port - Procedure prescribed –Reg.

Attention of all the Importers, Exporters, CHAs and Members of the Trade is hereby invited to <u>Public Notice No. 11/ 2004</u> dated 05.2.2004 prescribing the procedure for the movement of self sealed export containers.

2. It has come to the notice that the existing procedure allowing self sealed containers directly to the Port area without completion of the customs formalities has not been working well giving rise to security concerns and non compliance of customs requirements. It has therefore been decided to discontinue the said procedure in consultation with representatives of stake holders. Henceforth, the following procedures shall be followed for the movement of self-sealed Containers meant for export from Nhava Sheva Port.

The self-sealed containers will necessarily have to go to any of the CFSs / any of the three Buffer Yards (Speedy / GDL / Punjab Conware) functioning under Nhava Sheva Customs for completion of Customs formalities and on-wheel examination. The Preventive Officer at the CFS / Buffer Yard will allow entry of the container on the basis of the Check List of the Shipping Bill filed after verifying the container No., and seal and "passed-in" stamp put on the check-list. If there is any discrepancy, the Preventive Officer / Supdt. will refer the matter to AC /DC (Export Docks). After all the containers covered by the check list have reached the CFS / Buffer Yard, the Exporter / CHA shall produce the Check List of the Shipping Bill and other required documents namely - invoice bearing self-certification on reverse, Packing List and attested ARE-1 etc. before the Preventive Officer / Supdt. in the CFS. The examination of goods in the self-sealed containers will be carried out as per instruction given by EDI system. The containers in the Buffer Yard selected by system for examination will be examined in the Buffer Yard only, by Customs of the CFS having administrative control over the yard. In all cases where shipping bill is selected for examination by the system, the container will be grounded and seal will be broken for goods examination. The concerned Preventive Officer who has examined the goods will seal this container with Customs seal and enter his Examination Report in the system. On being satisfied with the examination report and documents, "Let Export Order" will be given by the Supdt.. The Shipping Bill will then be generated in the CFS. Exporter / CHA will submit the exporter's copy of the Shipping Bill to the custodian of the Buffer Yard / CFS who shall then move the container directly to the JNPT / NSICT/ GTI Terminal of Nhava Sheva Port for export as per the prescribed procedure

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- No self –sealed containers will henceforth be allowed direct entry into any of the Terminals of Nhava Sheva Port.
- 3. Difficulties, if any, in following the above procedures may be brought to the notice of the

department. All the other procedures prescribed in the Public Notices and instructions of the Board issued from time to time will be applicable.

4. The Procedure prescribed under this Facility Circular shall come into force from 01.3.2007. However, the exporters who want to avail this facility with immediate effect are also allowed to do so.

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