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Sub: Reiteration of facilitation/additional facilitation measures extended to EOU/EHTP/STPI units - to ensure social distancing on a/c of nCovid-19 virus -reg.

The attention of Importers/Exporters/Customs Brokers all other stakeholders concerned are invited to DGEP letter F.No. DGEP/EOU/Misc./12/2019 dated 25.03.2020 permitting the endorsement electronically over the email and acknowledgement can also be provided over email without the need of a physical visit to the customs office. Attention is also invited to the emerging scenario and lockdown due to the outbreak of the nCovid-19 virus in the country and its related precautions being enforced by the Karnataka State Government to break the chain through social distancing. This office has received requests for simplification of procedure related to the functioning of Export Promotion Cells (EPC), under Bangalore City Customs. The following facilitation measures to EOUs/EHTP/STPI units under the jurisdiction of the City Customs Commissionerate, some of which are already existing and some new are detailed hereunder:

1. Submission of information at the Customs Station of importation:- Units which are not able to send their personnel for obtaining permission from EPC’s for the duty-free import of capital goods / raw materials may follow the guidelines issued in Customs Circular No. 10/2018-CUSTOMS dt.24.04.2018, which states that units need not get prior approval of information submitted under sub-Rule 1(a) of Rule 5 of Customs (Import of Goods at Concessional Rate of Duty) Rules, 2017, from the jurisdictional DC/AC. Submission of information at the Customs Station of importation is sufficient for import of goods without payment of duty under exemption Notn. 52/2003-Cus dated 31.03.2003 (existing facilitation). Assessee/units may file an email intimation with all details such as commercial invoice no., FOB or CIF, if FOB details of freight, insurance, classification, exemption notification applied, whether covered under LOP/legal agreement with CSEZ/STPI etc with the concerned EPC with an undertaking that difference duty if any shall be debited as and when the same is verified by the EPC officers.

2. Permission of re-export /re-import etc.: All such permissions/authorization for re-export/re-import etc. are issued as and when an application is made, daily. Since the units are not working and there is a need to follow certain precautionary measures (social distancing), such applications may be clubbed together and submit to the concerned EPC office by emails on weekly basis; and such permissions would be conveyed to them by return emails, at the earliest (new facilitation). While sending emails the scanned copies of re-export invoice indicating SL no/part no for identification, original import documents, consent letter of the overseas party with reason, GR waiver wherever applicable may be scanned and sent. In the case of reimports, the invoice, reasons
for reimport, original export documents etc may be scanned and mailed. If being submitted in a bunch, a summary chart/annexure may be submitted.

3. **Intimation for daily export /import etc. by email:** - Intimation for daily export/import etc. may be provided to the department by emails.

4. **Permission to Relocate the Bonded Goods/equipment:** - To facilitate work from home (WFH) by the employees of the SEZ/STPI, it is decided to permit the movement of laptops, desktops, video conference- & other equipment, treating the residence of the employees as additional place of business. In this regard, the guidelines as provided in Circular 17/2003-Cus dated 24.03.2003 may be followed. Intimations with relevant details of the goods being removed from SEZ/STPI, along with basic details about their movement, address to which they are proposed to be relocated etc., may be provided to the EPC’s by email.

5. The emails of the EPCs within the jurisdiction of this office are:

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The above trade facilitation measures may be brought to the notice of all the members of the trade. In case of any difficulty on any specific issue, it may be brought to the notice of Sh. Subhanshu Sharma IRS, DC, EPC, Bangalore (email id: subhanshu.sharma@gov.in / Mob. No: +91 9982099222).

Maintain social distance and join the fight against the spread of the virus.

(Baswaraj Nalegave) 20-03-20
Commissioner of City Customs
Bangalore

To
All Concerned (as per mailing list)

Copy to: The Chief Commissioner, Customs, Bengaluru Zone.