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विषय: विदेशी बंदरगाहों पर उतारे गए तथा बाद में भारत वापस लाए गए निर्यात कार्गो कंटेनरों के प्रबंधन की प्रक्रिया, समुद्री मार्गों में व्यवधान (Strait of Hormuz के बंद होने के कारण) के परिप्रेक्ष्य में — Customs Act, 1962 की धारा 143AA के अंतर्गत — संबंधी।

Subject: Procedure to handle export cargo containers off loaded at foreign ports and subsequently returned to India, in view of disruption in maritime routes due to closure of the Strait of Hormuz- Section 143AA of the Customs Act, 1962 - Reg.

Attention of all trade, and stakeholders is invited to Circular No. 21/2026-Customs dated 15.04.2026 issued by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC). Reference is invited to the Circulars No. 09/2026-Customs dated 08.03.2026, No. 10/2026-Customs dated 10.03.2026, No. 12/2026-Customs dated 17.03.2026, 15/2026-Customs dated 27.03.2026 and 19/2026-Customs dated 10.04.2025 issued by the Board in the context of severe disruption in maritime routes due to closure of the Strait of Hormuz, resulting in diversion/return of export cargo from international waters to Indian Waters.

2. निम्नलिखित दिशानिर्देश सभी संबंधित पक्षों की जानकारी हेतु जारी किए जाते हैं, ऐसे मामलों में जहाँ निर्यात कार्गो को भारत के बंदरगाहों पर पुनः लाया जाता है, जिसे श्रीलंका के मध्यवर्ती विदेशी बंदरगाहों पर Strait of Hormuz के बंद होने अथवा इसी प्रकार के अन्य व्यवधानों के कारण उतार दिया गया था, और जिसे अंतिम गंतव्य तक पहुंचाया नहीं जा सका:

The following guidelines are hereby issued for the information of all concerned where export cargo is brought back to Indian ports which are offloaded at intermediate foreign ports at Sri Lanka due to the closure of the Strait of Hormuz or similar disruptions:

- (i) SAM should be filed by the Shipping line or the authorised representative as there would be change in the vessel, consignor - consignee and the Bill of Lading details on account of discharge and return of cargo to the Indian port.

- (ii) The container particulars shall be verified with the corresponding details in Shipping Bills and other documents. During such verification, for factory stuffed Self Seal containers having RFID e-seal as per Circular No.26/2017-Customs dated 01.07.2017 and No.36/2017-Customs dated 28.08.2017, the integrity of seals shall be checked and matched with seal details declared in the Shipping Bills and other documents. For containers stuffed in CFS/ICD with RFID e seal or Customs bottle seal having unique number, the field formations shall coordinate with DG Systems and get details of the seal entered in ICES while entering the stuffing report for export container for the purpose of matching and verification, if it cannot be retrieved by the officer in System
- (iii) The containers may be offloaded at the port terminal without filing a Bill of Entry, subject to verification of SAM and other related shipping documents. The relaxation in filing of the Bill of Entry shall be allowed only where the integrity of the container seal is found to be intact and the seal particulars are verified to be in conformity with the declared details as mentioned in para 2 (ii) above.
- (iv) Shipping Bills/ LEO shall be cancelled using the "Post EGM SB Cancellation" module in EDI system through AC Role.
- (v) Back to town of such cargo shall be permitted as per the procedures in Circulars No. 09/2026-Customs dated 08.03.2026, No. 10/2026-Customs dated 10.03.2026, No. 12/2026-Customs dated 17.03.2026 , No. 15/2026-Customs dated 27.03.2026 and No. 19/2026 dated 10.04.2026, as applicable.
- (vi) If the seal is found tampered or not intact, the container shall be subjected to 100% examination and the existing procedures for re-import have to be followed for such containers.

3. The above relaxation shall remain in force till 30.04.2026.

4. इस लोक सूचना के क्रियान्वयन में यदि कोई कठिनाई हो, तो उसे सहायक/उप आयुक्त (डॉक्स) के संज्ञान में आधिकारिक ईमेल csd.mglr-customs@gov.in के माध्यम से लाया जा सकता है।

Difficulties, if any, in implementation of this Public Notice may be brought to the notice of the Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Docks) through official email csd.mglr-customs@gov.in.

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