PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 89/2011

Sub: Procedure for disposal/removal of leftover packing material, nylon/metal strips, wooden/plastic pallets/material from CFSs reg.

Attention of the Members of Trade and Industry, including all persons responsible for receipt, storage, delivery, dispatch or otherwise handling of imported goods and export goods in any capacity in a Customs area is invited to the Public Notice No. 74/2001 dated 03.12.2001 wherein it was stipulated as below:

that various unclaimed/abandoned/leftover goods used wooden pallets, used nylon ropes, used cartons, docks and or shed pings and other packing materials which accumulate over a period of time at various Container Freight Stations and Port premises are unclaimed goods and it is very difficult to connect them to any particular IGM. As far as levy of duty is concerned, the fact remains that duty has been paid on these leftover packing material in as much as the value of these leftover packing material is included in the assessable value of the goods on which the duty has been paid. Therefore, clearance of these unclaimed/abandoned/leftover goods like used wooden pallets, used nylon ropes, used cartons, docks and or shed sweepings and other packing materials may be allowed from the Container Freight Stations and Port without payment of duty after its auction or by sale by the Custodian.

2. As per the request of some CFSs regarding formulating the procedure to be followed by CFSs for removal/disposal of unserviceable packing material, nylon/metal strips, wooden/plastic pallets, wooden packing materials, used cartons etc. which are left behind by Importers and Exporters, a procedure was laid out in Public Notice No. 78/2011 dated 11.05.2011 for streamlining and bringing uniformity in functioning of all the CFSs.

3. In this regard, some issues and concerns were raised by the CFSs in implementation of Public Notice No. 78/2011. Hence, in view of the same, the matter has been re-examined and accordingly Para 3 of the Public Notice No. 78/2011 dated 11.05.2011 has been modified as under:
i. The clearance of the said unclaimed/abandoned/leftover goods or other packing materials may be allowed from the CFSs as envisaged in Public Notice No. 74/2001 dated 03.12.2001.

ii. For the removal of said goods, respective CFS will make an application to their AC/DC Docks (Exports) who in turn will give the necessary permission after ascertaining that the goods are unserviceable packing material, nylon/metal strips, wooden/plastic pallets, wooden packing materials, used cartons etc. leftover by Importers and/or Exporters. The concerned AC/DC Docks (Exports) will then assign the job of supervision of loading of the said goods to Preventive Officer.

iii. The Preventive Officer shall supervise the loading of the said goods and give an endorsement Loaded under my supervision

iv. At the time of movement of said goods out of the CFS, the gate Preventive Officer should verify the endorsement and allow the movement of goods by giving an endorsement Passed out Vehicle No. 

4. Any difficulties faced in this regard may be brought to the notice of undersigned immediately.

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To

All concerned.