Attention of the exporters, custom brokers and all concerned is invited to the Circular No. 13/2018-Customs dated 30.05.2018 issued by Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on the above subject.

2. In respect of factory stuffed and sealed refrigerated containers sought to be exported through Nhava Sheva Port, the below procedure shall be implemented:

(i) In case of exporters having stuffing premises under the jurisdictional area of Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House (JNCH), the exporter would give application to the Commissioner of Customs, NS-Gen, JNCH (FSP Cell) for availing supervised stuffing along with the list of export goods.

(ii) In case the Commissioner of Customs, NS-Gen, JNCH is satisfied that the export goods are sensitive to temperature and there are no sterile, temperature controlled examination facilities at the port, then he shall permit supervised stuffing and sealing in respect of such export goods. Permission once granted shall not be withdrawn unless any non-compliance of law, rules or regulations is noticed.

(iii) The request for supervised stuffing of reefer containers shall be given by the exporter at least 24 hours prior to stuffing to the Dy. Commissioner of Customs, Preventive (General), JNCH indicating the nature of the temperature sensitive goods. The Dy. Commissioner of Customs, Preventive (General) shall depute officers to supervise examination, stuffing and sealing of the reefer containers.

(iv) The officers deputed for supervised stuffing would ensure that the reefer containers are stuffed with only such export goods as are sensitive to temperature and in accordance with the details of the export goods list furnished by the exporter. The containers would be sealed with RFID e-seals procured by the exporters and the data as required shall be uploaded by exporter as per the already prescribed procedure. The deputed officers shall endorse at least three copies of the invoice/invoice-cum-packing list to the effect of examining the goods, stuffing and sealing by RFID e-seal under their supervision mentioning the date, place of stuffing, their name & designation.

(v) RMCC may take necessary steps to ensure that the reefer containers which have been sealed under the supervision of the officers are not subjected to examination at the port. However, if such reefer containers are selected for examination, the same may be brought to the notice of the Dy./Asstt. Commissioner of Customs i/c of Parking Plaza / CFS, who will grant waiver from examination after considering the facts and satisfying himself.

3. The above procedure prescribed in this public notice shall be observed only at the request of the exporter in respect of reefer cargo. In other cases, the existing self-sealing procedure with RFID e-seals would continue (the procedure for introducing and implementing

4. In respect of other types of sensitive cargo which may deteriorate or get contaminated etc. upon opening of the containers, the Commissioner of Customs, NS-Gen, JNCH shall exercise suitable discretion for valid reasons to override the RMS instructions.

5. Notwithstanding the above relaxation, the reefer container (s) may be selected for scanning/ examination on specific information / intelligence or occasional random basis or where it has come to notice that the RFID seal has been tampered with after being sealed in the presence of the Customs officer.

6. Difficulty, if any may be brought to the notice of Deputy / Assistant Commissioner in charge of Appraising Main (Export) through email / phones (email address: apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in, Phone No : 022-27244959).

Sd/-
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प्रतिलिपि (By email only):
1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone- II.
2. All the Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone- II.
3. All Addl./Joint Commissioners of Customs, Mumbai Zone- II.
4. All Deputy/Asstt. Commissioners of Customs, Mumbai Zone- II.
5. The DC/EDI for uploading on the JNCH website.
6. BCBA/FIEO for circulation among their members, trade and industry.