Standing Order No.20/2012

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SUB: Streamlining the procedure for the destruction of goods in the light of investigation made by DG/Vigilance.

In view of the recent incidents of irregularities like diversion of goods intended for destruction, to the market and fabrication of documents viz. Destruction Panchanama, Municipal Certificate, by person having vested interests, the matters has been examined in detail. Urgent need is felt for review of the procedure erstwhile in practice for destruction of various goods. Consequent upon the review, following instructions are issued for strict compliance by all concerned.

- The Disposal Section after obtaining the order for destruction of the goods/cargo from the concerned Section shall inform the custodian alongwith the information on mode of destruction the goods/cargo.
- The tentative date of destruction is to be fixed in consultation with Custodian/PQ/ADC/FSSAI as the case may be.
- The date of destruction, place of destruction, type of cargo alongwith mode of destruction shall be intimated in advance to the Directorate of Vigilance and the Deputy Commissioner, Vigilance.
- The goods meant for destruction to be weighed before shifting the same from the warehouse and the weighment to be recorded in the warehouse register.
- A Destruction Panchanama shall be drawn by the P.O. escorting the cargo in the presence of the Custodian, and the channelizing Agency i.e. PQ/ADC/FSSAI as the case may be. The weighment of the goods may also be recorded in the Panchanama. The destruction of the goods/cargo to be supervised by an officer/s as prescribed in the Customs Manual and escorted from the warehouse to destruction site and supervisory officer should be present till the complete destruction of cargo is over.
- The destruction process should be video graphed/photographed. A Group Photo of all the persons witnessing the destruction process and VCD of the same should be preserved.
- Preferably, the Custodian of the goods i.e. CFSS, and Bonded Warehouse etc. should be instructed to use their own vehicle duly equipped with GPS for transporting the goods/cargo meant for destruction from the warehouse to destruction site. For confiscated goods the logistics to be arranged by Customs, Disposal Section.

Once the destruction is over, relevant details should be entered in the destruction register and the same to be countersigned by A.C./D.C./Disposal. The destruction Register should consist following columns :-

- File No.
- Destruction of Goods
- Quantity of goods in Number and weight
- Marks and No. or Lot No. if any
- Date of destruction
- Remark.

A detailed report alongwith copy of Panchanama shall be forwarded to the D.C./Vigilance for information.

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