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OFFICE OF THE COMMSSIONER OF CUSTOMS (EXPORT), MUMBAI – II, JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, SHEVA, DISTT. RAIGAD, MAHARASHTRA – 400 707

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(Referred/amended Vide Office Order. No. <u>06/2015</u>, <u>07/2015</u>, <u>08/2015</u>, <u>49/2015</u>, <u>50/2015</u>, <u>51/2015,73/2015</u>, <u>74/2015</u>, <u>75/2015</u>)

- Attention of all Importers, Custom House Agents (CHA) and Public is invited to the Board's <u>Circular No. 22/2012-Customs</u> dated 07.08.12. In order to further facilitate importers and exporters the Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) has decided to begin on a pilot basis 24X7 Customs clearance with effect from September 1st. 2012 (1.9.2012) at Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House.
- In the first phase, 24 x 7 Customs facilities will be made available in respect of following categories of imports and exports:
 a) Facilitated Bills of Entry where no examination and assessment is required; and
 b) Factory stuffed exports containers and export consignment covered by Free Shipping Bills.
- At present 24 x 7 facilities on the Imports side are available for Importers/CHA/Trade, to file Bills of Entry through ICEGATE. Facility to pay Customs duties through E-payment is also available on 24 x 7 basis to all the stakeholders after filing of self assessed bills of entry.
- After the introduction of Self-assessment and Risk Management System, large numbers of Bills of entry are facilitated. Such bills are identified for clearance without any assessment and examination by Customs. However, verification and collection of critical documents is required to be done before out of charge (OOC) by designated officers. Similarly it is essential to verify Container number and check whether its seal is intact or not in respect of Full Container Load (FCL) cargo before release. Similarly marks and numbers on the cargo has to be verified in respect of Less Container Load (LCL) cargo.
- In the light of this new facilitation measure, it is now decided to extend on 24 x 7 basis, Customs out of charge activity in respect of cargo covered by all facilitated bills of entry for which Risk Management System has not prescribed any scrutiny of assessment and examination by officers.
- To operationalize this facility, officers will be now available round the clock in the Container Freight Stations (CFS). Officers posted in the CFS from 10 AM to 10 PM will attend to regular customs clearances of Cargo covered under all types of bills of entry.
- Out of charge officers posted in the second shift between 10 PM to 10 AM will attend operations in respect of Facilitated Bills of Entry only, where no examination and assessment is required. To begin with second shift Officers will attend only FCL Cargo.

• Out of charge officers will be available in the second shift at the following three CFS's to cater to the clearances in the cluster of CFS's mentioned against them:

Sl CFS's where OOC officers No are stationed in second shift

1	GDL	New Maersk, CWC Logistics Park (Hind), ULA, Distripa Continental, Ameya Logistic, Forbes, All Cargo (Trans Ir
		Balmer Lawrie
2	Sea Bird	Speedy, MSWC, Vaishno, Impex park, Punjab Conware, Dronagiri, DRT Concor, CWC Impex, Old MEARSK
3	Navkar	Ashte, JWC, Ocean Gate, Preety CFS, Apollo, SBW Logi Indev Logistics

- All the stake holders involved in the processing and clearance of Imported cargo like, Shipping lines, Container Freight Stations, Container Agents, Custom House Agents, Banks, Drug Controller, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Plant and Animal Quarantine, etc. are advised to gear up for 24 x 7 operations. CFS's where OOC officers are stationed in the second shift shall ensure ICES connectivity and availability of printers and service staff round the clock for this purpose. CHA/Importer is advised to obtain all necessary endorsements for delivery of cargo and complete all documentation before approaching the OOC officer.
- Importer/CHA/Trade willing to avail clearance in second shift may approach Supt./Appraisers posted in the above said CFS, who will register their Bills of Entry in the Indian Customs EDI system and give Out of Charge after verification of documents prescribed and after following procedure prescribed in <u>Public Notice no 12/2006</u> dated 17.02.2006 and subsequent notices issued in this regard. The officer will ensure compliance to Compulsory Compliance Requirements (CCR) prescribed by RMS on the Bills of entry. Mandatory clearance from FSSAI, ADC, PQ shall be obtained in advance by all concerned before approaching the OOC officers in the second shift. OOC will be given for all those goods in respect of which all necessary documents and no objection is submitted to the officer.
- Preventive officer (PO) at the gate is advised to verify the container number in the hardcopy of the BE with the container being moved out of the CFS gate and also ensure that the seal is intact. PO at the gate is directed to put his signature and stamp after successful verification on the Importers hard copy of the BE.
- On verification of documents or on basis of any intelligence, if the OOC officers suspect any bill of entry, examination of cargo may be required to be attended by day shift officers. Such suspicion shall be officially intimated to the DC/AC in-charge of concerned CFS with directions to examine the cargo during daytime after obtaining permission from prescribed authorities. Officer posted in the second shift will maintain a register kept for this purpose and note down their observation for reference.
- On successful implementation and stabilization of phase I of 24 x 7 operations, further rollout will be intimated.
- Difficulties, if any, faced by the trade/importer/CHA in implementation of the above said 24×7 Customs clearance facility shall be brought to the notice of the DC Docks (Admin).

Sd/-(RAKESH MISRA) COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT) JNCH, NHAVA SHEVATo, All the members of the trade as per mailing list

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