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Date: 01-09-2025

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Subject: Implementation of Universal E-Seal Reader - Verification of Container E-Seal Status through ICES/ICEGATE Integration -reg

Attention of all Exporters, Customs Brokers, Members of Trade, Shipping Lines, Custodians and all concerned is invited to the implementation of Universal E-Seal Reader and verification of Container E-Seal Status through ICES/ICEGATE Integration.

- 2. The DG system has developed Universal E-Seal Reader API integration with the partner agency at the Centralised Parking Plaza (CPP), JNPA. This API integration provides an e-seal based validation/verification solution to all self-sealed Export containers arriving at the CPP.
- 3. Presently, there are 16 approved RFID tamper-proof one-time-bolt seal (commonly known as e-Seal) vendors catering to the requirement for self-sealing. Each vendor uses its own proprietary e-Seal Reader at the CPP for scanning the e-Seals affixed on the self-sealed factory-stuffed containers. This results in a situation where the entry to the CPP requires handling a number of e-Seal Readers for reading the e-Seals affixed on the containers. This becomes a very tedious and time-consuming process due to requirement of multiple hand held readers at a single location resulting in delay in the process and increase in wait time for movement of export containers.
- 4. In order to streamline the scanning process, universal E-seal Reader capable of scanning e-Seals issued by all empaneled e-Seal vendors is being introduced.
- 5. Accordingly, the universal RFID E-Seal Reader integrated with the ICEGATE has been installed as a pilot project at the CPP, JNPA. Sealing data is received by ICEGATE at the time of self-sealing from the empaneled e-Seal vendors which in turn is shared by ICEGATE with the CPP. The data so received from ICEGATE by the CPP is validated with the data read by the universal e-Seal reader at the CPP in-gate facilitating inward movement of the self-sealed containers. Further, data read by the CPP is shared with ICEGATE for monitoring and subsequent verification.
- 6. With the inauguration of Universal E-Seal Reader at the CPP on 07-08-2025, the said system at entry gate of CPP is now fully integrated with ICEGATE, and container

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seal data is being transmitted and verified in real-time at the CPP entry gate. Henceforth, the CPP Entry Gate receipt will be treated as confirmation that the e-seal is verified as per the data displayed on the receipt, duly authenticated through the ICES/ICEGATE system. Accordingly, the subject goods shall be registered at the CPP.

- 7. It is hereby informed to all stakeholders, including Shipping lines, Custodians, Exporters, and Customs Brokers, that in line with the directions received from the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), the implementation of the Universal E-Seal Reader has been successfully carried out at the CPP, JNPA, Nhava Sheva and is now operational.
- 8. All stakeholders are advised to take note of and ensure adherence to this system for seamless processing and movement of export containers.
- 9. Difficulties, if any, faced in the implementation of the above may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

Digitally signed by Giridhar Gopalkrishna Pai Date: 01-09-2025 18C30n09sioner of Customs NS-II, JNCH, Nhava Sheva

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- 1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II, JNCH.
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