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Dear *Madam / Sir,*

June witnessed the first FM conclave from 19th - 20th June 2025 to decide the directions and priorities of revenue administration. The conclave started with the inauguration of ICETAB for exports by the Hon'ble Minister of State, reflecting the importance of technology and transparency accorded by the government.

Accordingly, we are moving ahead with an aim to bring end-to-end trade centric digitalization. As part of this effort, our important launches and additions in the month of June 2025 are as follows:

(1) Ease of Doing Business for Trade:

- a. **Special Economic Zone (SEZ):** A solution has been developed and launched for DTA buyers without a permanent IEC to claim input credit on SEZ suppliers to enable even non-IEC holder buyer to avail GST Credit.
- b. **IGCR Form 3A and A - Excel Upload with more than 10,000 line items:** Importers dealing with thousands of distinct products can now upload all data of Bill of Entry even beyond 10,000 line items in one go through excel to save their time and cost.
- c. **Webforms:** As part of the CBIC's broader plan to transition entirely to internet-based interactions and facilitate remote filing of declarations by trade, the traditional practice of submitting forms through service centres is being discontinued. Sixteen (16) webforms have already been tested and made functional and five (5) webforms namely Shipping Bill Amendment Form, Short Shipment Form, ICD-IGM Fresh Form, ICD-IGM Amendment Form and LCS Export Report Forms are likely to be made functional this month. Further, in order to meet special needs and exigencies, these forms hitherto being handled by service centre operators can now **be accessed and handled by officers nominated by the field formations**. This transition phase requires your close handholding of the trade for smooth transition and overcoming any implementation turmoil.
- d. **Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR):** Export-related SDM / SDN messages have successfully been implemented at four ports- Kandla (INIXY1), Ennore (INENR1), Katupalli (INKAT1), and Paradeep (INPRT1), as part of ongoing digital enhancements. Further, we are regularly incorporating necessary improvements, basis feedback from trade and officers.

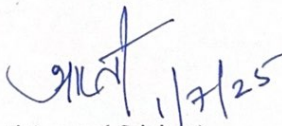
(2) Ease of Performing Duties for Officers

- a. **Launch of ICETAB for Export clearance:** To streamline export cargo examination, an ICETAB app has been launched to enable examining officers to access shipping details, RMS instructions and e-Sanchit documents, and submit examination reports along with examination photos directly at the examination site.
- b. **New COM Audit Role for Pan-India Access to Bill of Entry Data:** A dedicated COM Audit role has been created to allow Audit Commissioners to view Bills of Entry for consignments imported at any port across India. This enhancement is aimed at facilitating comprehensive scrutiny and ensuring uniformity in audit processes.
- c. **Display of RMS Examination Order and Provision for Officer Instructions:** The system has been enhanced to display the RMS-prescribed examination order in a distinct tab, clearly segregated from officer inputs. Officers cannot modify the RMS Order,, however, they can record additional examination instructions separately, wherever required. It brings clarity on the source of examination decision.
- d. **API Integration with DIAL (Delhi International Airport Limited):** The uncertainty in data exchange with the custodian (DIAL) on account of Managed File Transfer Protocol (MFTP) often led to lower satisfaction level of the trade. Now, the data exchange has moved to API based integration which enables faster data exchange in transparent manner.
- e. **Universal E-seal reader API:** The Universal E-seal Reader, a digital solution developed to streamline and secure the customs clearance process for export containers sealed at the factory using RFID-enabled electronic seals. It acts as one system which reads all seals and obviates need of multiple scanning devices and different e-Seal vendor-based customization, enabling officers to verify e-Seals instantly and easily.
- f. **Option to use the earlier filled warehouse to warehouse movement form:** This functionality allows the users to use the previously filled information in editable mode for new transactions. The option acts as offering the prefilled form for warehouse to warehouse movement to save time and resources.
- g. **Increase of document size on e-Sanchit:** The size per document for upload on e-Sanchit has been increased from the earlier 1MB to 2 MB to enable upload of larger documents with better resolution, which has been a long pending request.

I hope these developments would be useful to trade and officers. Looking forward to your continued support and feedback.

With *regards,*

Yours Sincerely,


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To

All Pr. Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs/*Customs Executive*