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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

प्रधान सीमा शुल्क आयुक्त का कार्यालय

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

(हवाई अड्डे और एयर कार्गो कॉम्प्लेक्स) (AIRPORT & AIR CARGO COMPLEX)

एनएससीबीआई एयरपोर्ट, कोलकाता- ७०००५२ NSCBI AIRPORT, KOLKATA: 700 052

**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. : 32 /2020**

**Subject: Clearance of goods under India's Trade Agreements without original Certificate of Origin - reg.**

Attention of all Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers and all other stakeholders is invited to CBIC Circular No. 18/2020-Cus dated 11.04.2020 and Trade Notice no. 62/2019-2020 dated 06.04.2020 issued by DGFT, on the above subject wherein it seeks to mitigate the difficulties being faced by Importers in producing the original Certificates of Origin (CoO) on account of disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

2. It is accordingly directed that in accordance with the said DGFT Trade Notice and CBIC Circular, the import consignments, where a preferential treatment of goods under a Free Trade Agreement has been claimed but the original hard copy of CoO has not been submitted or only digitally signed copy or unsigned copy of CoO is submitted, may be assessed and cleared provisionally in terms of section 18 of the Customs Act, 1962. The final assessment may be done subsequently on submission of the original COO certificate by the importer. In case the party is able to submit a signed copy of CoO, the same may be verified by the officers posted in Appraising General Unit with the records of specimen signatures maintained at their end.

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*24/4/20*

3. In case Provisional Assessment is resorted to for non submission of Original CoO, the revenue may be secured by way of acceptance of letter of undertaking from the Importer in lieu of Bond as prescribed in PN No. 29/2020 dated 15.04.2020 and appropriate security as prescribed in Circular No. 38/2016 - Customs dated 22.08.2016. This relaxation of accepting LUT in lieu of Bond is temporary and will be accepted till 15.05.2020 but the paper Bond in lieu of which the LUT is being temporarily accepted should be submitted on or before 30.05.2020 as per CBIC Circular 17/2020-Cus dated 03.04.2020 as amended by 21/2020-Cus dated 21.04.2020.

4. All the assessing officers shall maintain a record of all cases of relaxation allowed by them and will ensure that such provisional assessments are finalized at the earliest and in accordance with the prescribed regulations.

5. Action to be taken in terms of decision taken in this public notice should be considered as Standing Order for the purpose of officers and staff.

5. In case of any difficulty, the specific issue may be brought to the notice of the ADC (AP & ACC).

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24/4/20  
**(Deep Shekhar)**

Pr. Commissioner of Customs (AP & ACC)

Custom House, Kolkata

F. No. 560 (Misc.)-391/2019 CC

Date: 24/04/2020

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1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kolkata.
2. The PS to Pr. Commissioner of Customs (Airport & ACC), Custom House, Kolkata
3. PA to the Commissioner of Customs (Port), Custom House, Kolkata.
4. All Joint / Addl. Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Kolkata.