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<u>Sub : Transmission of Shipping Bills from Systems' backend to DGFT for MEIS</u> <u>benefits in certain cases</u>

Dear Member,

JNCH has issued Public Notice No.30/2023 dated 11.4.2023 (<u>copy enclosed</u>) on transmission of Shipping Bills (S/Bills) from DG Systems' backend to DGFT for MEIS benefits in certain cases.

In this connection, DG Systems has issued Advisory No.7/2023 dated 11.4.2023 (annexed to Public Notice No.30/2023).

Purpose of issuing Advisory No.7/2023 dated 11.4.2023:

I. DG Systems have received representations on Post Export General Manifest (EGM) amendment of S/Bills where the customs authorities have allowed amendment of shipping bills after filing of EGM.

II. However, it has been observed that in various cases, where jurisdiction customs authorities have examined the case and allowed amendment, on merit, in terms of the relevant policy guidelines issued by CBIC from time to time.

III. According to this Advisory, Post EGM amendment of S/Bill cases of MEIS scheme (since discontinued from January 2021) are handled.

IV. Under the MEIS Scheme -

 \cdot When the exporter wants to claim benefit or not in S/Bill, he can select Υ'' and "N' under reward flag.

· In case he chose 'Y', details of the S/Bills are transmitted to DGFT automatically.

 \cdot In case he chose 'N', details of the S/Bills are not transmitted to DGFT.

V. Since this is an inter-ministerial matter (CBIC, MoF and DGFT, DoC), such amendments may be routed through Drawback Division of CBIC along with a copy to DG–Systems for necessary action. V. As per existing practice of DGFT, such cases shall be transmitted to DGFT from backend without any change in the self-declaration of the exporter.

[i.e., such cases will be transmitted with "N" flag only without any modification to the original declaration of the exporter].

VI. An e-mail correspondence shall be sent to the nodal officer of DGFT who handles the technical wing for necessary action.

VII. Records shall be transmitted from the ICEGATE to DGFT as per the normal protocol of exchange of data between ICEGATE and DGFT.

VIII. As agreed by DGFT, their system will accept such records even with "N".

IX. Thereafter, the process handled by DG–Systems shall be complete.

Members may kindly take a note of the above and do the needful as advised.

In case you face any difficulty in implementation of the above directions, you may please bring it to the notice of Shri Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Commissioner of Customs, NS-II, JNCH, <u>Tel: 022-27242411 Ext 888 or 889; Email: commr-ns2@gov.in.</u>

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director

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