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To: Members of the Council

<u>Sub: Procedures for Transhipment of Export Cargo from Bangladesh to third</u> <u>countries through Land Customs Stations (LCSs) to Port/Airport, in containers</u> or closed bodied trucks

Dear Member,

CBIC has issued Circular No. 29/2020- Customs dated 22nd June, 2020 *(click here)* prescribing procedures for Transhipment of Export Cargo from Bangladesh to third countries through Land Customs Stations (LCSs) to Port/Airport, in containers or closed bodied trucks.

Kindly refer to Circular 42/2018-Customs dated 2nd November, 2018 (click here), issued by CBIC to facilitate exports of Bangladesh to third countries, via transhipment through India. It provides detailed procedures of transhipment in terms of section 54 of the Customs Act, 1962 (hereinafter referred as the "Act"), from LCS to Port/Air Cargo as listed below:

- 1. From LCS Petrapole, by road to:
- (i) Kolkata Port
- (ii) Aircargo Complex, Kolkata
- (iii) Nhavasheva Port
- 2. From (i) LCS Petrapole & (ii) LCS Gede/Ranaghat: By rail to Nhavasheva Port

The aforesaid Circular has been extended from time to time, and the last extension

was granted till 30th June, 2020 vide letter No. 550/02/20 18-LC dated 5th February, 2020.

After reviewing the utilization and other relevant aspects, and with a view to

facilitating trade, Board has now decided to continue the facility under Circular

No. 42/2018-Customs as below:

1) Transhipment of goods from LCS Petrapole to Air cargo complex, Kolkata, shall be

continued following the procedure prescribed in the aforesaid Circular, until further

direction from the Board.

2) Other transhipment movements listed in the above table, shall be continued

following the procedure prescribed in the aforesaid Circular, until the Sea Cargo

Manifest and Transhipment Regulations, 2018 (hereinafter referred to as "SCMTR

2018") is fully implemented, upon which the procedure of SCMTR 2018 shall apply.

The movement of Bangladesh third country export cargo, from land customs stations

to sea ports, as specified in the Table at Para I, shall be guided by SCMTR 2018 from

date of its implementation.

Presently, the electronic cargo tracking system (ECTS) and ECTS seals are being

provided by M/s Transecur Telematics Private Limited (https://www.transecur.com/)

under ADB's Pilot Program for monitoring of traffic in transit of Nepal. The authorized

carriers have an option to use the same for transhipment of goods from Bangladesh,

in absence of any other facility.

Members may kindly make a note of the above.

Regards,

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