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Standing Order – 09 /2019

Sub:- Carriage of coastal cargo from one Indian Port to another Port in vessels carrying out coastal runs – Regarding.

Attention is invited to Public Notice No. 74/2016 dated 26.07.2016 and Public Notice No. 39/2016 dated 06.05.2016, issued by this office, regarding the carriage of coastal cargo from one Indian Port to another Port in vessels on coastal run, in compliance with CBIC Circular no 14/2016-Cus dated 27.04.2016, CBIC Notification no. 56/2016(NT) dated 27.04.2019 and 57/2017(NT) dated 27.04.2016.

2. The para 4(a) of Board's circular no 14/2016-Cus dated 27.04.2016 stipulates that, all vessels carrying exclusively coastal goods and **operating from coastal or EXIM berths** shall be exempted from the following provisions of Section 92, 93, 94, 95, 97 and 98(1) of the Customs Act, 1962 :-

- a. **Section 92:** Entry of coastal goods
- b. **Section 93:** Coastal goods not to be loaded until bill relating thereto is passed, etc.
- c. **Section 94:** Clearance of coastal goods at destination
- d. **Section 95:** Master of a coasting vessel to carry an advice book
- e. **Section 97:** No coasting vessel to leave without written order
- f. **Section 98(1):** Sections 33, 34 and 36 to apply to coastal goods as they apply imported goods or export goods.

3. However, Notification no 57/2017(NT) dated 27.04.2016, read with para 4(b) of circular no 14/2016-Cus dated 27.04.2016 specify that the provisions of Sections 30 & 41 shall apply to vessels carrying exclusively coastal goods operating from EXIM berths. The Master of the vessel or his agent shall submit a coastal manifest to the

proper officer as prescribed in Public Notice No.39/2016 dated 06.05.2016, issued by Mumbai Customs Zone-I.

(a) A coastal arrival manifest for the goods which are unloaded or meant to be carried forward to other destination ports.

(b) Coastal departure manifest for the goods loaded including goods on board for other destinations.

4. Accordingly, the Public Notice No. 74/2016 dated 26.07.2016, was issued by this office, which exempts vessels carrying **exclusively coastal goods** from the provisions of Section 92, 93, 94, 95, 97 and 98(1) of the Customs Act, 1962. The said exemption of Sections, exempt vessels carrying exclusively coastal goods from filing bills of coastal goods (import/export), obtaining port clearance, filing of shipping bills for supply of ship stores, etc. Further, the vessels carrying exclusively coastal goods arriving to Mumbai Port Trust at the EXIM berths, need to file arrival cargo manifest under Section 30 and departure cargo manifest under Section 41 of the Customs Act, 1962, in the prescribed format as per Public Notice No. 39/2016 dated 05.06.2016 issued by NCH, Mumbai Customs Zone-I, but exempted from filing bills of coastal goods (import/export), obtaining port clearance and filing of shipping bills for supply of ship stores, etc.

5. Further, with the exemption of exclusively coastal goods carrying vessels from Section 98(1) of the Customs Act, 1962, collection of MOT charges shall be done away.

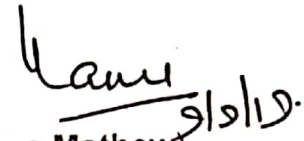
6. The container carrying coastal goods shall be clearly marked with the words "*For coastal Carriage Only*" on all sides. There shall be no examination of the coastal goods, the container shall be sealed with tamper proof one time bottle seal and then the same can be loaded on to the vessel.

7. Non-containerised cargo shall also be allowed to be loaded on to the vessel provided it is clearly marked on the packing "*For Coastal Carriage Only*" to make it easily identifiable.

8. The preventive officers posted in field formations, may from time to time carry out random checks, so as to ensure that no export or imported goods are inadvertently or by intention loaded on to such coastal vessels, as per para 9 of the Board circular No 14/2016-Cus dated 27.04.2016.

9. The above position, which came into force with the issuance notifications and circular cited in preceding paragraphs is reiterated for compliance and officers while dealing with issues relating to exclusively coastal goods carrying vessels are directed to adhere to them scrupulously.

10. Any difficulty noticed in the implementation may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.



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Principal Commissioner of Customs
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