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Sub : Customs- Standard Operating Procedure for Transshipment of import Cargo from ACC, Hyderabad Customs Commissionerate originating from foreign ports for onward shipment to foreign, other domestic ports-reg.

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Attention of the Airlines/Customs Brokers/Members of Trade is invited to the CBIC **Circular No.06/2007-Cus** dated 22.01.2007 wherein guidelines have been issued for transshipment of import Cargo from one customs station to another.

2. Representations have been received from the stakeholders for the issue of guidelines on the procedure to be adopted for the deconsolidation of Cargo at Air Cargo Complex, Hyderabad Customs Commissionerate, Shamshabad. The following procedures shall be adopted for Transshipment of Cargo for onward movement to other ICDs/Airports.

i) The carrier/airlines shall give prior intimation to Customs regarding the goods to be brought to DC/AC of Airport Cargo Complex, Hyderabad for transshipment to domestic/foreign destination ports, including the details of the truck, aircraft through which the goods have been transhipped to the destination port;

ii) The Custodian/ the Customs Cargo Service Providers (CCSPs) shall provide a dedicated area for segregation and storage of such consignments meant for transshipment with a facility of Scanner(s) installed in the area to identify the risky, contraband, prohibited cargo and also for seamless movement of cargo;

iii) The carrier/airlines are required to file a Cargo Transfer Manifest (CTM) which shall be treated as an application for transshipment. The Proper officer of Customs should approve such transshipments;

iv) The scanner is to be installed by the custodian at a location that facilitates

the smooth movement of cargo from the import to the export warehouse. The positioning of the scanner shall be such that the Transshipment of Cargo placed on a roller belt/channel in the import warehouse after scanning moves on the belt to the export warehouse area mechanically/automatically through an opening/gate. Keeping in view the risk parameters, the Custodian has to ensure that the persons authorised to operate the scanners are properly trained. The Cargo meant for transshipment shall be scanned to ensure that no contraband/restricted items are transshipped. Any contraband items noticed during the scanning of transshipment cargo have to be immediately brought to the notice of Customs (Import Shed);

v) Pre-sorted TP cargo shall be transferred to the respective Cargo Terminal based on the Cargo Transfer Manifest (CTM). The CTM must include detailed information about the inbound and outbound cargo as well as the carriers involved. Transfer can only proceed after obtaining the necessary approval from Customs, ensuring that all pre-sorted cargo is efficiently and accurately moved to its next destination."

vi) Cargo that is not pre-sorted must be sorted in the designated TP shed area by the custodian. Each piece of shipment must be labelled with sector-specific Air Waybills (AWBs) or new Master Air Waybills (MAWBs) within the TP shed area. The custodian is responsible for ensuring that all non-pre-sorted cargo is accurately sorted and properly labelled before proceeding to the next stage of the transshipment process."

vii) After segregation of the transshipment cargo destination-wise, the custodian will submit the details of the Transshipment Cargo for approval by Customs. Only marks & numbers of the Cargo need to be certified and such cargo may be exported with other regular export cargo. Cargo will be subjected to physical examination on specific Intelligence or based on risky parameters:

viii) Once the transshipment is approved by the proper officer, the cargo shall be escorted from the warehouse of the custodian/airline to the outbound truck, flight by the Customs/Transshipment officer on duty. The loading of Cargo in the aircraft, and trucks shall be under the supervision of the customs officer;

ix) The receiving airlines shall prepare its cargo manifest and transshipment would be allowed under Customs supervision. The value of transhipped cargo should be debited from the Transshipment Bond;

x) The carrier airlines shall obtain acknowledgement of the cargo from Customs at the destination airport and send the same to the originating station within 30 days of transshipment. Based on such acknowledgement, the Transshipment Bond would be re-credited;

3 . Concerning the above-said procedure, the Service Provider shall be responsible for,

- i. Proper receipt, handling, and storage of goods meant for international transshipment after their receipt and fulfilling all conditions of **Regulation 5(1) of Handling of Cargo in Customs Areas Regulations, 2009**;
- ii. Penalty in case of loss of any such goods meant for international transshipment after their receipt and before their intended purpose;
- iii. Maintaining proper record of transhipped cargo including those disposed of under Section 48 of the Customs Act, 1962 or otherwise;
- iv. Payment of duty/penalty on any such transshipment goods that are pilfered or lost after entry in the customs area;
- v. Keeping the International Cargo meant for transshipment (Foreign to Foreign) in a separately demarcated area;
- vi. Ensuring that no prohibited/illegal goods are brought into the Customs Area in the name of International transshipment;

4 . The Custodian and the Stakeholders are required to follow the guidelines prescribed under Circular no. 06/2007 Cus dated 22.01.2007 as amended.

5 . Difficulties faced, if any, in the implementation of these guidelines may be brought to the notice of the Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Transshipment), Airport Cargo Complex.

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