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F.No. S/99-241/2017 Sample unit

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Subject:- Forwarding of samples for testing to the Outside Laboratories-reg.

Attention of trade is invited to the procedure to be adopted with regard to forwarding of samples for testing to the Outside Laboratories. This is in supression of the Public Notice No. 26/2017 dated 08.12.2017 issued earlier for forwarding of samples for testing to outside laboratories.

It has come to the notice of the Board that due to lack of testing facilities of certain goods in Revenue Laboratories, there is delay in clearance of the consignments of these goods due to avoidable movement of samples between Customs field formations and Revenue Laboratories.

- 2. In this regard, CRCL has shortlisted the items whose samples cannot be tested in their Laboratories at present and also identified the Laboratories functioning under the other ministries/Departments/Organizations where such samples could be tested. The list of such items and corresponding testing Laboratories are annexed herewith.
- 3. The Revenue Laboratories are, presently, in the process of up-gradation. However, until Revenue Laboratories are upgraded, as a measure of trade facilitation, the Board has decided that field formations may directly forward samples of goods mentioned in column (3) of the Annexure to this Public Notice, to the laboratories mentioned in column (4) of the said Annexure or any other accredited laboratories empaneled by the Comissionerate. The procedure for forwarding the samples to the laboratories shall be as follows:-
- a. Standard sampling technique prescribed by the laboratory concerned for the items under question will be followed. Sampling requirement will be ascertained with the laboratory concerned before drawing samples from the consignment. The sampling requirements will be clearly specified on the website of the Commissionerate.

b. In cases of live consignments which cannot be cleared without getting the test reports due to its hazardous nature or for any other reason, the samples shall be forwarded to the concerned laboratory at the earliest. Further, the Commissionerate will develop a mechanism in consultation with the laboratories so as to get the test report expeditiously and preferably online.

- c. In cases where the time taken by laboratory exceeds three days, the importer should invariably be given an option to warehouse goods under section 49 of the Customs Act.
 - d. Testing fee, if any, shall be paid by the importer or the exporter.
- 4. It is further clarified that aforementioned procedure shall not be applicable in cases where Partner Government Agencies themselves draw the samples.
 - 5. Difficulty faced, if any, may be brought to the notice of the Commissioner.

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COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS
CUSTOM HOUSE, MARMAGOA

Annexure attached.

Copy to:-

- 1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Pune Zone, Pune.
- 2. The Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Marmagoa.
- 3. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Marmagoa.
- 4. All Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Marmagoa.
- 5. Website/Bulk SMS.