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**TRADE NOTICE NO. - 01 /2018**

**Subject:- Trade Facilitation--Benefits of AEO Scheme**

Attention of Trade is invited to the three tier AEO programme for importers and exporters (AEO-T1, AEO-T2 and AEO-T3) launched by the government by circular No. 33/2016 Customs under F.No. 450/179/2009-cus IV (Pt.) issued by Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue.

The following benefits have been provided under AEO-T1:-

- i. The importer/Exporter will be accorded high level of facilitation in imports and exports of their consignments, thereby ensuring shorter cargo release time.
- ii. Facility of direct Port delivery of their import Containers and /or Direct port Entry of their Export Containers would be available to them. However, this facility will be dependent on the volume of their Import/export trade in terms of number of containers.
- iii. ID cards to be granted to authorized personnel for hassle free entry to Custom House, CFSs and ICDs.
- iv. Wherever feasible, the exporter/importer will get separate space earmarked in Custodian's premises.
- v. In case the importer/exporters are required to furnish a Bank guarantee, the quantum of the Bank guarantee would be 50% of that required to be furnished by an importer/exporter who is not an AEO certificate holder. However, this exemption from Bank guarantee would not be applicable in cases where the competent authority orders furnishing of bank Guarantee for provisional release of seized goods.
- vi. Investigation, if any, in respect of Customs cases would be completed, as far as possible, in six to nine months.
- vii. Dispute resolution at the level of Adjudicating authorities in respect of Customs would be done preferably and as far as possible within six months.
- viii. The Importers/Exporters will not be subjected to regular transactional PCA, instead of that onsite PCA will be conducted once in two years only.

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- ix. The importers/exporters will get an email regarding arrival/departure of the vessel carrying their consignments.
- x. 24/7 clearances on request at all sea ports and airports-No merchant Overtime Fee charges need to be paid.

The following benefits are provided under AEO T2:-

- i. The importer/Exporter will be accorded high level of facilitation in imports and exports of their consignments.
- ii. For Importers/Exporters not opting DPD/DPE, seal verification/scrutiny of documents by Custom Officers would be waived. Consignments would be given out of charge or let export order, as the case may be, without any scrutiny by the officers.
- iii. The containers selected for scanning will be scanned on priority, by giving front line of treatment.
- iv. Facility of deferred payment of duty will be provided, from a date to be notified.
- v. Faster disbursement of drawback amount within 72 hours of EGM submission, from a date to be notified.
- vi. The B/Es/S/Bs selected for assessment and/or examination will be processed on priority by the Customs officers.
- vii. Facility of self sealing of export goods would be allowed without the requirement to seek case to case base permission from the authorities.
- viii. Faster completion of Special Valuation Branch proceedings in case of related party imports and monitoring of such cases for time bound disposal in terms of new guidelines.
- ix. The Importers/.Exporters will be given access to their consolidated import/export data through ICEGATE from a date that would be communicated separately.
- x. They will be provided the facility of submitting paperless declarations with no supporting documents in physical form.
- xi. The refund/Rebate of Customs would be granted within 45 days of the submission of complete documents.

The following benefits would be provided under AEO T3:-

- i. The importer/Exporter will be accorded high level of facilitation as compare to AEO T2 in imports and exports of their consignments.
- ii. Their containers will not be selected for scanning except on the basis of specific intelligence. Further when any container is selected for scanning, top most priority will be given for scanning.
- iii. The assessing/examining custom officer will rely on the self-certified copies of documents submitted by them without insisting upon original documents.
- iv. The importer/exporter would not be required to furnish any bank Guarantee. However, this exemption from bank guarantee would not be applicable in cases

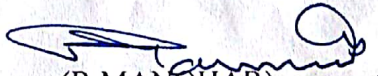
where the competent authority order furnishing of Bank guarantee for provisional release of seized goods.

- v. On request the importer/exporter will be provided on site inspection/examination.
- vi. The refund/Rebate of Customs would be granted within 30 days of the submission of complete documents.

All the above mentioned facilities can be availed through AEO status. Therefore, all traders are requested to join the AEO programme to take the benefit as mentioned above.

An AEO cell has also been constituted in this Commissionerate headed by Additional Commissioner to process the application for AEO status.

Accordingly, all Importers/Exporters/Traders are requested to opt for the AEO programme to take benefit during Export and Import of their consignments. Any difficulty, the Traders/Importers/Exporters may communicate with the AEO cell, Custom House, Marmagoa. The circular No. 33/2016 Customs is also available on CBEC website [www.cbec.gov.in](http://www.cbec.gov.in) which may kindly be referred for further details.

  
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COMMISSIONER

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To.

1. The Chief Commissioner, Custom and Central Excise, Pune Zone, Pune.
2. The Commissioner of Customs, Customs House, Marmagoa
3. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Marmagoa.
4. All Deputy Commissioner/Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Marmagoa.
5. All Importers and Exporters
6. Customs Brokers.
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