

**Invitation of suggestions consolidation of Rules and Regulations under Customs Act and review of Customs procedures to bring about a quantum jump in the ease of doing business**

The Central Board of Excise and Customs – Government of India has constituted a Working Group to Invite of suggestions from stakeholders and officers, on consolidation of Rules and Regulations and review of procedures to bring about a quantum jump in the ease of doing business. The Mandate of the Working group is to :

- i. Prepare a ready reckoner in the form of a matrix listing all the existing Rules and Regulations and Circulars corresponding to each Section of the Act. Give suggestions on cross-referencing the Sections of the Customs Act with Rules, Regulations, Notifications and Circulars issued by the Board.
- ii. Consolidate the Rules and Regulations into as few sets of Rules and Regulations as possible, aligning them, to the extent possible, with the Sections of the Act. Give suggestions on subject-wise indexing of provisions of the Customs Act, Rules, Regulations, Notifications and Circulars.
- iii. Consolidate Notifications issued under Section 11 into a single notification aligning it with the Customs Tariff headings. Wherever possible, the compulsory compliance requirements under other laws should be incorporated into the Notification so that all restrictions on imports and exports in the country are available at a glance in one notification.
- iv. Examine if any other changes in the rules, regulations and procedures can be made to bring about a quantum jump in the ease of doing business.
- v. To give suggestions on a mechanism to ensure regular and timely updating and providing ready references.

The Working Group shall consult stakeholders and officers of the Department in this exercise. All officers of the Department should extend full cooperation to the Working Group. The Working Group should submit its interim report covering (i) and (iii) above within 45 days, and the final report within 90 days, to the Board.

2. As may be seen from the TOR above, **this is a major, time-bound exercise to consolidate all Customs Rules and Regulations, and to review procedures to bring about a quantum jump in the ease of doing business** in consultation with stakeholders and officers of the Department.

We request you to forward your suggestions, if any, to MCCA **on or before 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017** to enable us to compile and forward to the concerned officials in CBEC before the due date. We request you to forward your suggestions to :

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