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### **PUBLIC NOTICE No. 24/ 2018 - Customs**

Subject: Customs - Implementation of paperless processing under SWIFT – uploading of supporting documents through e-SANCHIT and Bill of Entry (Electronic Integrated Declaration and Paperless Processing) Regulations, 2018 – regarding.

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Attention of all importers, exporters, Customs House Brokers, Member of the Trade and other is invited to the Board's Circular No.40/2017-Customs, dated 13/10/2017 regarding pilot implementation of paperless processing by facilitating uploading of digitally signed supporting documents through e-SANCHIT utility. The same was implemented mandatorily in all Customs locations with effect from 01/04/2018. Further, the Bill of Entry (Electronic Integrated Declaration and Paperless Processing) Regulations, 2018 were notified vide Notification No.36/2018-Customs (NT), dated 11/05/2018 to realise the objective of paperless processing in Customs.

2. In view of implementation of paperless processing, there is now no requirement of presenting original Bill of Entry and other supporting import documents, which were digitally signed and uploaded through e-Sanchit by the authorised person (as defined under section 2(b) of the Bill of Entry (Electronic Integrated Declaration and Paperless Processing) Regulations, 2018) to the proper officer of customs. However, some type of supporting documents are required to be presented in original (as specified in respective notifications) for verification of seal/signature etc., for defacement and for the debit of quantities / value. In such cases, the Importer or Customs Broker shall present hard copy of the same to the proper officer at the time of registration of goods or assessment of Bills of Entry. It may be noted that all

supporting documents shall be uploaded digitally including those documents that must be presented in hard copy. For supporting documents, where a debit of quantity / value is required to be made on hardcopy, for every subsequent Bill of Entry filed for import, the latest debit sheet shall be uploaded.

4. The authorised person referred above shall retain, for a period of 5 years from the date of presentation of the bill of entry, the assessed copy of the bill of entry, digital or otherwise, and all supporting documents in original, which were used or relied upon by him in submitting the electronic integrated declaration, and shall produce them before Customs in connection with any action or proceedings under the Customs Act, 1962 or under any other law for the time being in force.

5. This Public Notice supersedes Trade Facilitation Notice No.03/2015-Customs, dated 15/10/2015 issued from file C.No:VIII/48/226/2015-Cus.Tech as far as it relates to procedure prescribed regarding non submission of original documents.

6. All the members of the Regional Advisory Committee, Trade and Industry Associations are requested to circulate the Public Notice among their constituent members for information and guidance.

7. Action to be taken in terms of decisions taken in this Public Notice should be considered as Standing Order for the purpose of officers and staff.

6. Difficulties, if any, in implementation of this Public Notice may be brought to the notice of the Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Vijayawada.

  
(SUDHA KOKA)  
COMMISSIONER

TO

Importers, Exporters and Customs Brokers of Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Vijayawada (Through the Joint Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Krishnapatnam / Kakinada and Deputy Commissioner of Customs, ICD, Marripalem, Guntur)

Copy submitted to:

The Chief Commissioner of Customs & Central Tax, Visakhapatnam Zone, GST Bhavan, Port area, Visakhapatnam for information.

Copy to:

1. The Joint Commissioner of Customs, Kakinada Custom House / Krishnapatnam Custom House
2. The Deputy Commissioner of Customs, ICD, Marripalem
3. The Assistant / Deputy Commissioner of Customs, Customs Divisions, Tirupathi / Kakinada / Visakhapatnam
4. The Superintendent, Computer Section, CC(P), Vijayawada to upload into website
5. Notice Board.