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Sub: Facilitation of Clearance Of Import Cargo Due To Delay Arising Due to Outbreak Of Corona Virus- waiver of late fee-Reg.

Attention of the importers/exporters, Customs Brokers and all other stakeholders is invited to the Public Notice No. 13/2020 dated 21.02.2020 issued by this office on the subject matter of 'Facilitation of Clearance of Import Containers Due to Delay in Receiving of Documents from China'.

2. Now keeping in view the situation arising due to outbreak of Corona Virus in the country, there is likelihood of late filing of Bills of Entry because of difficulty in getting the related documents or difficulty in reaching the facilities from where the filing can be done on ICEGATE.

3. Late filing of Bills of Entry attracts late fee in terms of 'Bill of Entry (Forms) Amendment Regulation, 2017' vide Notification No. 27/2017-Cus.(N.T.) dated 31.03.2017 read with second proviso to Section 46(3) of the Customs Act, 1962. Therefore, keeping in view the exigency due to outbreak of Corona Virus and, in order to facilitate the trade for clearance of the import consignments, it is decided in the public interest that those bills of entry which pertain to IGMs filed on or after 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020, if filed late for clearance of import consignments, will not attract any late fee charges for the time being and till further orders.

4. 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.

5. In case of any difficulty, the specific issue may be brought to the notice ADC/JC, or DC in charge of Appraising Groups.

  
(Dr. D. K. Srinivas)

Pr. Commissioner of Customs

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1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Visakhapatnam.
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4. EDI Section- for uploading in Customs House website.