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To: All EC Members, AEPC
All members of the Council

Chairmen of all Textile EPCs

Dear Sirs,

Dr A Sakthivel, Chairman, AEPC had taken up the issue of 24x7 customs clearance of duty drawback shipping bills in the Inter-Ministerial Meeting, held under the Chairmanship of Shri Ajit Seth,IAS, Cabinet Secretary, Government of India. The matter was further persuaded by Dr A Sakthivel, Chairman, AEPC with Customs Authorities for giving instructions to the field formations for the same.

- Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise and Customs has accepted the request of Chairman, AEPC and has decided 24x7 customs operations to cover export of all goods from Air Cargo Complexes (in addition to existing Air Cargo Complexes i.e. Delhi, Chennai, Mumbai & Bangalore) at Ahmadabad, Amritsar, Bangalore, Cochin, Calicut, Coimbatore, Goa, Hyderabad, Indore, Jaipur, Nashik, Vishakhapatnam, Thiruanantapuram with effect from 01.07.2013.
- The Board has decided that the 24X7 customs clearance facility should cover export of all goods (in addition to factory stuffed export containers and export consignment covered by Free Shipping bills) at Ahmadabad, Amritsar, Bangalore, Cochin, Calicut, Coimbatore, Goa, Hyderabad, Indore, Jaipur, Nashik, Vishakhapatnam, Thiruanantapuram w.e.f. 01.07.2013. It is further clarified that 24x7 customs clearance of imported goods at these Air Cargo Complexes will continue to be limited only for facilitated bills of entry where examination and assessment is required.

This facility was already available for Delhi, Chennai, Mumbai & Bangalore Air Cargo Complex. Therefore, in all 17 Air Cargo Complexes has this facility.

3. Member exporters are requested to take advantage of this facility.

With regards,

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