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CENTRAL BOARD OF INDIRECT TAXES AND CUSTOMS

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# **PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 36/2018-19**

Sub:- Forwarding of samples for testing to the Outside Laboratories - reg.

Kind attention of Importers, exporters, Customs Brokers, Steamer Agents and all other stakeholder is drawn to the Board's Circular No. 28/2018-Customs dated 30.08.2018 (copy enclosed), 11/2018-Customs dated 17.05.2018 (copy enclosed), 43/2017-Customs dated 16.11.2017 (copy enclosed) and Public Notice 02/2018 issued on dated 05.01.2018 on the above subject.

- 2. In addition to the existing list of laboratories provided in Annexure to aforementioned Circular and Public Notice issued on 05.01.2018, CRCL has identified some more entities annexed herewith as Annexure (New list enclosed), where the sample could be tested.
- 3. The Board has decided that the field formations may first ensure with their respective laboratories that the testing facilities for any particular items listed in the said Circulars are not available with them before forwarding such samples to outside Laboratory(s) listed therein.
- **4.** It is further clarified that the procedure mentioned in the said Circulars shall not be applicable in cases where Partner Government Agencies themselves draw the sample.
- **5.** As regards drawal of samples for testing of textiles, DGFT Notification No. 19/2015-20 dated 04.05.2015 provides for the details of testing agencies.

**6.** As regards imports of plant and plant materials and livestock, the sampling will be as prescribed by Plant Quarantine and Animal Quarantine Authority.

7. The procedure for drawal of samples will be as provided in the

Customs Manual, if otherwise not specifically prescribed.

8. Consequent to the above mentioned changes notified by the Board, all the stakeholders are required to take cognisance and comply with the same.

9. Difficulty faced, if any, may be brought to the notice of this

office.

10. Hindi Version follows.

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(सुमित कुमार SUMIT KUMAR)

सीमाशुल्क आयुक्त Commissioner of Customs

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//G.\ANIL KUMAR//
APPRAISER (TARIFF UNIT)

Encl: As above

Issued to: All concerned, as per mailing list.

F.No.C1/05/2017 TU. Cus. ਫਿਜਾਂਜ Dated: 26.10.2018

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1. The Chief Commissioner's Office

2. Commissioner's file/Addl Commissioners/ All D.Cs & A.Cs/ Development Commissioner (CSEZ)/ All Appraisers/ All Sections / Guard File & As per mailing list. All concerned officers are directed to note and comply with the instructions/changes.

The Cochin Customs Brokers Association, Cochin EDI Section for uploading the Public Notice.

5. Official Language Unit

#### F. No. 401/243/2016-Cus-III

Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs

North Block, New Delhi, 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018

To

All Pr. Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive)

All Pr. Chief Commissioners /Chief Commissioners of Customs and Central Taxes

All Pr. Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive)

All Pr. Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs and Central Taxes

Madam / Sir,

# Subject: Forwarding of samples for testing to the Outside Laboratories- reg.

Please refer Board Circular nos. 43/2017- Customs dated 16.11.2017 and 11/2018- Customs dated 17.05.2018 on the subject above.

- 2. It is clarified that in the aforementioned Circulars, it was very categorically indicated that upgradation of the Revenue Laboratories is an on-going process. Therefore laboratories earlier not equipped with testing facility for a specific item have since acquired the testing facilities consequent to up-gradation.
- 3. Field formations may therefore first ensure with their respective laboratories that the testing facilities for any particular items listed in the said Circulars are not available with them before forwarding such samples to outside Laboratory(s) listed therein.
- 4. In case the jurisdictional laboratory does not have testing facility for a given sample, it would be open to the field formations to send such samples to one of the other revenue laboratories which have the facility to test the given sample, instead of availing services of an outside Government laboratory. CRCL should also continuously update the list of testing facilities available on its webpage or on the web link of each laboratory so that there are no delays in testing merely on account of ascertaining as to which of the labs has the relevant testing facility.
- 5. Principal Commissioners/ Commissioners of Customs are requested to issue suitable Public notice to bring the same to notice of all concerned.

Yours faithfully,

(B. Konthoujam) Under Secretary

#### F. No. 401/243/2016-Cus-III

Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs

North Block New Delhi, 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

To

All Pr. Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive)

All Pr. Chief Commissioners / Chief Commissioners of Customs and Central Excise

All Pr. Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive)

All Pr. Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs and Central Excise

Madam / Sir.

# Subject: Forwarding of samples for testing to the Outside Laboratories- reg.

I am directed to refer to the Board Circular No. 43/2017-Customs dated 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 on the subject above cited wherein a list of items and corresponding testing laboratories was annexed where samples could be tested from the identified list.

- 2. In addition to the existing list of laboratories provided in Annexure to abovementioned Circular, CRCL has identified some more entities annexed herewith as Annexure, where the samples could be tested.
- 3. Principal Commissioners/ Commissioners of Customs are requested to issue suitable Public Notice to bring the same to notice of all concerned.
- 4. Difficulty faced, if any, may be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

(B. Konthoujam) Under Secretary

#### F. No. 401/243/2016-Cus-III

Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Excise & Customs

North Block New Delhi, 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2017

To

All Pr. Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive)

All Pr. Chief Commissioners / Chief Commissioners of Customs and Central Excise

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Madam / Sir,

## Subject: Forwarding of samples for testing to the Outside Laboratories-reg.

It has come to the notice of the Board that due to lack of testing facilities of certain goods in Revenue Laboratories, there is delay in clearance of the consignments of these goods due to avoidable movement of samples between Customs field formations and Revenue Laboratories.

- 2. In this regard, CRCL has shortlisted the items whose samples cannot be tested in their Laboratories at present and also identified the Laboratories functioning under the other Ministries/Departments/Organizations where such samples could be tested. The list of such items and corresponding testing Laboratories are annexed herewith.
- 3. The Revenue Laboratories are, presently, in the process of up-gradation. However, until Revenue Laboratories are upgraded, as a measure of trade facilitation, the Board has decided that field formations may directly forward samples of goods mentioned in column (3) of the Annexure I of this circular, to the laboratories mentioned in column (4) of the said Annexure or any other accredited laboratories empanelled by the concerned Commissionerate. The procedure for forwarding the samples to the laboratories shall be as follows:
  - a. Customs formations should follow the respective standard sampling technique prescribed by the concerned laboratory for the items under question. The Commissionerate should ascertain sampling requirement with the laboratory concerned before drawing samples from the consignment. The sampling requirements may clearly be specified on the website of the Commissionerate.

- b. In cases of live consignments which cannot be cleared without getting the test reports due to its hazardous nature or for any other reason, the samples shall be forwarded to the concerned laboratory at the earliest. Further, the Commissionerates should develop a mechanism in consultation with the laboratories so as to get the test report expeditiously and preferably online.
- c. In cases where the time taken by laboratory exceeds three days, the importer should invariably be given an option to warehouse goods under section 49 of the Customs Act.
- d. Testing fee, if any, shall be paid by the importer or the exporter.
- 4. It is further clarified that aforementioned procedure shall not be applicable in cases where Partner Government Agencies themselves draw the sample.
- 5. In view of above, the Commissioners of Customs are requested to issue suitable Public Notice based on aforementioned guidelines, prescribing detailed procedures for empanelment of laboratories, techniques for drawing & dispatching of samples, mechanism to receive online reports etc., for guidance of all concerned.
- 6. Difficulty faced, if any, may be brought to the notice of the Board.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd

B. Konthoujam Under Secretary (Cus III)

# ANNEXURE

SI. No.	Chapter No.	Samples to be referred	Suggested Laboratories	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Τ
H	1-8	1. Dried and Freeze Dried Shrimps (Ch. 3)	1.Marine Products Export Dovelopment Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory,5th Floor, MPEDA House, Panampilly Avenue, P B No.4272, Kochi-682036, Kerala Tel: 91-484-2311033, 2315199 Fax: 91-484-2313361 E-mail: lab.koc@mpeda.gov.in	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			2. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, Nellore (Andhra Pradesh).	
			3. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, Bhimavaram (Andhra Pradesh).	
			4. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, Bhubaneshwar (Orissa).	
			5. Central Institute of Fisheries Technology CIFT Junction, Willingdon Island, Matsyapuri P.O., Cochin-682 029, Kerala, Ph: 0484-2412300; Fax: 091-484-2668212 E-mail:aris.citt@gmail.com: cift@ciftmail.org	
2	თ	2. Nutmeg	1. Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI). Mysore-570020 (Karnataka) Website: www. cftri.com	
		3. Saffron	2.The Cashew Export Promotion Council of India) CEPC Laboratories and Research Institute, Kollam, Kerala	
7	23	4. Steam Dried Fish Meal	1.Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, 5th Floor, MPEDA House, Panampilly Avenue, P B No.4272, Kochi- 682036, Kerala Tel: 91-484-2311033, 2315199 Fax: 91-484-2313361E-mail:	

		5. Fish Protein	lab.koc@mpeda.gov.in
			2. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, Nellore (Andhra Pradesh).
			3. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, Bhimavaram (Andhra Pradesh).
			4. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) Quality Control Laboratory, Bhubaneshwar(Orissa)
6	26	6. Lime Stone	1. National Council for Cement and Building Materials
		8. Dolomite	(Unider the Administrative Control of Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India) Ballabgarh (Harvana)
		9. Natural Calcite Powder	
		10. Oliflux	
		11. Chalk	
10	27	12. Coking Coal	1. NTPC Energy Technology Research Alliance (NETRA). NTPC 1+d
		13. Steam Coal	Address : Plot No. E-3 Ecotech-II. Greater Noida Gailtam Bilddha Nagar Bir
		14. Solvent C-9	201308, Uttar Pradesh
		15. C-9-C-11 Liquid Paraffins	
		16. C-14-C-20 N Paraffins	2. Central Coal Testing & Research Laboratory Western Coalfields Limited
		17. Petroleum Bitumen 60/70	Address : Nara Nari Road, Kalpana Nagar. P.O. Uppalwadi Nagnur Din - 440
		18. Diesel Oil	026, Maharashtra
		19. Waksol 9-11 A Grade	
		20. Thinner Off Spec	3. MSME Testing Centre, 65/1 GST Road. Guindy. Chennai Pin - 600032 Tamil
		21. Waste Oil/Sludge	Nadu Nadu
		Oil/Sludge Water/Bilge	
į		Water/Stop Water/Furnace Oil	
13	30	22. Propofol Injection	1. Central Drug Research Institute (CDRI), Sec. 10. Jankinuram Extension
		23. Heparin Injection	Sitapur Road, Lucknow-226031 (UP)
		24. Finasteride Tab	Website: www.cdriindia.org