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Sub: Standard operating procedure for drawl of Rice Samples in Export Consignments- Reg.

Kind reference is invited to the CBIC Notification No. 49/2022-Customs dated 08.09.2022 prescribing export duty on "Semi-milled or wholly-milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed (other than Parboiled rice and Basmati Rice)".It has been brought to the notice that there are certain difficulties faced by Shed Officers in verifying description of Rice with respect to Dutiable / Non-dutiable category before granting clearance (LEO). In order to streamline the Customs clearance, it is decided to put in place procedure for sampling and testing of Rice Samples for ascertaining correct description and HS code, as prescribed below:

PROCEDURE FOR DRAWING SAMPLE FOR TESTING:

I. In all the Shipping Bills (Both Facilitated and Open SBs) after registration of goods in the CFS, the sample shall be taken in the presence of AC/DC in charge of the CFS to ascertain the description in accordance with the existing guidelines.

II. The two sets of samples shall be taken randomly from 10% of the total packages declared in the Shipping Bill and brought for registration and shall be sealed in prescribed sample cover with endorsement of Shed Officers with seal, date and signature. The Serial Nos. of the packages to be selected for sampling may be marked by concerned AC/DC in-charge of CFS including those packages which are marked by Systems for open examination, if any.

III. The Shed officer shall prepare Test Memo prescribing the test parameters in triplicate copies. One copy shall be marked to CRCL, one

copy to be handed over to exporter to be uploaded on e sanchit, and third copy should be marked to Central sampling.

IV. The sample shall be sent for testing in CRCL for confirming description declared in the Shipping Bill with reference to the CBIC Notification No. 49/2022-Customs dated 08.09.2022, Notification No. 31/2015-2020 dated 08.09.2022 and any other law for the time being in force prescribing norms for export of Rice.

V. The authorized person from the CFS shall carry samples drawn in duplicate to the CRCL on the same day of receipt.

VI. After receipt of the test report in original, after verifying the authenticity, shed officer may ensure the same is uploaded in E sanchit and the details of the Test report has to be mentioned in the Departmental Comments in the respective Shipping Bill.

VII. Based on the test report, the examination report may be submitted and Let Export Order to be issued on the same day.

Any difficulty in this regard may be brought to the notice of undersigned immediately.

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COMMISSIONER

To,

- 1. Assistant Commissioner (CFS)
- 2. The Assistant Commissioner of Customs, St.John ICD.
- 3. The Superintendent of Customs in Charge of CFSs, Tuticorin,
- 4. All Custodians of CFS / St. John ICD.
- 5. Assistant Commissioner (CFS)
- 5. CRCL, Tuticorin

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