

#### **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA** MINISTRY OF FINANCE: DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

## OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS **CUSTOM HOUSE: NEW HARBOUR ESTATE: TUTICORIN**

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### Public Notice No: 04/2010

The following instructions issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise & Customs is enclosed herewith for guidance of the Officers / Exporters / Clearing Agents and Trading Public.

SI.No.	Reference No. & Date	Subject	
01	F.No.450/14/2010-Cus.IV	Import of frozen green peas	
	Dated.09.02.2010.		
02	F.No.401/31/2010-Cus-III	Review of prices of essential commodities	
	Dated.05.02.2010.		

Dated: .03.2010

Custom House, Turicorin

**DEPUTY COMMISSIONER** 

(Issued from file C.No.VIII/48/11/2008-Cus.Pol.)

To

As per Mailing List I & II

Copy to Chief Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Chennai. For kind information.

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F.No.401/31/2010-Cus-III
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Excise & Customs

227B, North Block, New Delhi. 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2010.

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All Chief Commissioners of Customs & Central Excise,
All Commissioners of Customs,
All Chief Commissioners of Customs (Prev.),
All Commissioners of Customs & Central Excise,
The Director General of Revenue Intelligence.

Subject: Review of prices of essential commodities - reg.

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to inform that the Government is reviewing the prices of essential commodities especially on an ongoing basis.

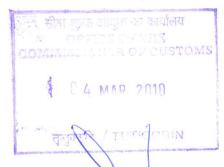
- 2. The Government have already initiated necessary control and other measures on the supply and demand side to increase the availability of essential commodities like sugar. Department of Food & Public Distribution have indicated that there are reports of sugar being smuggled across the borders, which needs to be curbed. In view of this, there is a need to maintain greater vigil at customs points to prevent smuggling of sugar.
- 3. It is requested that all officers under your charge may be suitably alerted / instructed to remain vigilant to prevent smuggling of sugar at customs points.

Yours faithfully

(Navraj Goyal)

Under Secretary (Customs)





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C.No.VIII / 09 / 01 / 10-CC (P)

Dated: 02.03.2010

To The Commissioner of Customs, Trichy / Tuticorin.

Sir,

Sub:-Instructions/ Circulars - Forwarding of - regarding.

Please find enclosed copies of the following circular/letter received from the Board for information and necessary action.

SI. No	Ref. No. & Date	Subject	Received from
1	F.No.450/14/ 2010-Cus.IV dated 09.02.2010	Import of frozen green peas.	Under Secretary (Customs Policy), CBEC, New Delhi
2	F.No.401/31/ 2010-Cus-III dated 05.02.2010	Review of prices of essential commodities.	Under Secretary (Customs Policy), CBEC, New Delhi

Yours faithfully,

Encl:-As above.

(M.MANIMARAN)

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

### Circular No. 2/2010-Customs

F. No.450/14/2010-Cus.IV
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Excise & Customs



North Block, New Delhi 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2010

To

All Chief Commissioners of Customs / Customs (Prev.).

All Chief Commissioners of Customs & Central Excise.

All Commissioners of Customs / Customs (Prev.).

All Commissioners of Customs (Appeals).

All Commissioners of Customs & Central Excise.

All Commissioners of Customs & Central Excise (Appeals).

Subject: Import of frozen green peas – regarding.

Sir/ Madam.

I am directed to invite your attention to the Board's Circular No. 39/2004-Customs dated 3.6.2004 and Instructions F.No.450/19/2005-Cus.IV 2nd April, 2009 regarding implementation of the provisions of Phytosanitary requirements under the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003.

- 2. Now, it has been brought to the notice of Board by the Ministry of Agriculture that import of agriculture commodities into India is permitted only after conducting Pest Risk Analysis (PRA) for the commodity and subsequent notification under the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003. PRA involves detailed study and documentation after consulting various published scientific data/literature to identify pests associated with it, their morphology, behaviour, risk posed etc., thereby identifying pests of quarantine importance to India with prescription of suitable scientific risk mitigation measures. Further, the imported agricultural commodities are subjected to inspection before clearance to ensure freedom from pests and diseases. However, certain instances have come to the notice where consignments of frozen green peas imported from China were released by customs without referring these to the Plant Quarantine authorities. This is of serious concern in view of the risk posed to bio-security of the country as the frozen green peas may be infested with the nematode pest.
- 3. Accordingly, it is requested that all import consignments of frozen green peas should be referred to Plant Quarantine authorities for proper inspection, and clearance should be permitted only after necessary no objection certificate/phytosanitary clearance etc., has been given by the Plant Quarantine authorities.
- 4. Further, instructions contained in Board's Circular No. 39/2004-Customs

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dated 3.6.2004 and Instructions F.No.450/19/2005-Cus.IV 2nd April, 2009 are hereby reiterated.

- 5. These instructions may be brought to the notice of all concerned by way of issuance of suitable Public Notice / Standing Order.
- 6. Difficulties, if any, in implementation of the Circular may be brought immediately to the notice of the Board.

Yours sincerely,

(Navra) Goyal)

Under Secretary (Customs Policy)

Internal Circulation- as usual