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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT-I), NEW CUSTOM HOUSE, BALLARD ESTATE,

MUMBAI 400 001

Date: 23.04.2021

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TRADE NOTICE: 01/2021

Subject: Import of Covid related Goods - Creation of Task Force for swift clearance and safe-guard against unscrupulous Importers - reg.

Due to the increased impact of the Covid-19 situation in the country, the imports and exports of the goods meant for the treatment of Citizens, require swift and scrupulous clearance from Customs. The Board vide their letter F.No. 450/153/2017-Cus-IV dated 21.04.2021 (copy enclosed) has already issued an instruction that these goods are to be cleared on top priority.

- 2. It is brought to the notice of all Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers, Custodians, Trade and all concerned, that a Taskforce under Additional Commissioner Shri Ayaz Ahmed Kohli (mail id: ayaz.kohli@gov.in, Mob: 9810286644) is constituted for clearance of Covid related goods. He will be assisted by Shri Sachin Pagare, Assistant Commissioner (mail id: sachin.pagare@gov.in, Mob: 9820576446), Shri Radhanath Purohit, Deputy Commissioner (mail id: radhanath.purohit@gov.in, Mob: 9920784675), Shri Dr. Dhumal Shridhar Tanaji, Deputy Commissioner (mail id: shridhar.dhumal@gov.in and Mob: 7020993466) and Shri Sanjeev Rao, Appraising Officer (mail id: sanjeevrr.co89101@gov.in, Mob: 7507560502). The taskforce will examine all the imports requested for priority clearance stating Covid reasons and give clearance on top priority. The taskforce will make arrangement for 24x7 clearance. Clearances beyond office hours shall be on an on-call basis.
- 3. Trade is advised to get in touch with the members of this task force and seek to expedite such clearances
- 4. Difficulty, if any, faced in implementation of this public notice may be brought to the notice of the Additional Commissioner of Customs, Import-I, New Customs House.
- 5. This Trade Notice should be considered as Standing Order for the concerned Officers and Staff of NCH, Mumbai Customs, Zone-I.

(Manoj Kumar Kaedia)

Commissioner of Customs (Import-I&II)

Copy to: 1. Commissioner of Customs, Export/General, NCH

- 2. AC/DC, EDI for uploading on NCH website immediately.
- 3. BCBA through e-mail

F.No.450/153/2017-Cus-IV Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Revenue Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs

Room No.227B, North Block, New Delhi, dated the 21st of April, 2021

To

All Principal Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive),

All Principal Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs & Central tax,

All Principal Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive),

All Principal Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs & Central tax,

All Principal Director Generals/Director Generals under CBIC.

Madam/Sir,

Subject:

Order dated 20.04.2021 of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in WP(C) 3031/2020 in Rakesh Malhotra vs Govt. Of National Capital Territory of India and others-reg.

I am directed to share copy of order dated 20.04.2021 of Honble High Court of Delhi, in WP(C) 3031/2020 in Rakesh Malhotra vs Govt. Of National Capital Territory of India and others (copy enclosed).

- 2. In para 21 of said order dated 20th April, 2021, the Hon'ble Court has directed that import of equipments for setting up RT-PCR test labs, medical equipments etc should be handled and cleared at top priority by the Customs. The Hon'ble Court has directed the Central Government to issue necessary directions in this regard.
- 3. In view of the above, all the Customs formations are hereby directed to ensure that such imports consignments are cleared with utmost priority.
- 4. Difficulty, if any may please be informed to Board.

Yours faithfully,

(Ananth Rathakrishnan)
Deputy Secretary (Customs)