

Public Notice No. 18/ 2010

Sub: Verification/ updation of Carrier Agencies and CHA Directories for implementation in ICES 1.5.

It is brought to the notice of all Carrier Agencies (Shipping Lines, Mainline Agents, Sub-line Agents, Freight Forwarders, Consol Agents, Airlines and other carriers) and CHAs that as part of implementation of the centralised version of the Indian Customs EDI System (ICES 1.5), the existing CHA directory details are to be verified, to enable creation of an updated CHA directory at the data centre. In a similar manner, a centralised Carrier Agency directory is also being created, based on verification of local directories and verified additional data from existing/ new ICES 1.5 locations.

2. A separate interface for central updation is being developed by the Directorate of Systems which is to be activated after all existing sites have migrated to ICES 1.5.

3. In the interim, separate arrangements have been made for compilation and correction of certain existing directories in ICES 1.0. These arrangements would meet the requirements not only of the sites currently working on ICES 1.0 but also sites which have since migrated to ICES 1.5 and new locations where ICES 1.5 is being rolled out for the first time.

4. The corrections are to be carried out at any of the 19 ICES 1.0 locations including ACC, Bangalore (UNLOCODE:- INBLR4), ICD, Bangalore (UNLOCODE:- INWFD6).

4.1 It may be noted that this process of correction is essential to create uniform central directories since the relevant details provided against PAN numbers have been found to vary across the ICES 1.0 databases at different locations. The process of correction of incorrect particulars is being undertaken on the basis of details obtained from Income Tax Department (CBDT). A comparison of these details has established several discrepancies in the PAN records available in ICES 1.0. The discrepancies include incorrect PAN numbers, mismatch in names of persons, agencies, addresses etc.

4.2 During correction of records already available at ICES 1.0 locations, if discrepancies with respect to PAN No. or Name of the Agency are observed the incorrect records will not be deleted but rather these entries will be closed in the system by the designated officers. Modification of address or contact person details however, can be carried out. The correct entries will be added after due physical verification of relevant documents provided by the concerned agencies. Necessary software for carrying out these changes has already been provided by NIC. One set of attested photocopies of the documents submitted for verification will be retained for record.

4.3 If required, the correctness of the PAN may also be checked by the designated officers using the utility available at <http://incometaxindiaefiling.gov.in/portal/knowpan.do>, by entering the relevant details to confirm the PAN. Accordingly, agencies are advised to confirm their particulars from this website before approaching the designated officers for verification.

4.4 It may be noted that during the verification process, no change is permitted in the PAN and the name of the entity as confirmed from CBDT. Changes in other parameters would be based on verification of documents provided viz. Agency Certificates, PAN cards etc. In case the PAN is incorrect, fresh registration in the system would be required.

4.5 In case of new applicants, the same process would be followed for registration. The details are to be provided to the policy section in any of the locations listed in Annexure 1.

NOTE 1: Even if no discrepancy is observed in the particulars already registered, the details still have to be reconfirmed in the system so that the record can be included in the new centralised directory.

NOTE 2: In case the agencies do not get their particulars verified / re-registered, they would not be able to transact business after implementation of the corrected directories in ICES 1.5. However, they will continue to be able to work in ICES 1.0 till such time as the record is closed after examination of relevant documents.

NOTE 3: At the time of verification, checklists would be generated to confirm the particulars being entered in the system.

NOTE 4: In case of proprietorship concerns, on satisfaction of identity of the proprietor by the designated officer, though the name of the proprietor as indicated by CBDT may be different, the registration request will be accepted. In such case, the Proprietor Name will be appended to the Agency Name in the ICES database.

NOTE 5: The provision to register or amend certain details is also available in respect of policy section locations which were earlier working on ICES 1.0 but have since migrated to ICES 1.5. For this purpose, PCs are available at the sites to connect to the appropriate server in the Directorate of Systems, CR Building, New Delhi, where the updation is being handled.

NOTE 6: In case of unregistered Airlines which do not have a PAN the re-verification process only requires confirmation of the IATA code/Prefix code and the details of the handling airline.

5. After registration/ verification, the particulars can be viewed on the web at:

CHA - <http://www.icegate.gov.in/CHAREport/index.html>

Carrier Agencies - <http://www.icegate.gov.in/CarrierReport/index.html>

6. Problems in respect of accessing these links can be reported to the ICEGATE helpdesk at:

1. Phone Numbers- (011) 23379020, 23370133.
2. Email – icegatehelpdesk@icegate.gov.in

7. Carrier Agencies

In respect of carrier agencies, the following may be noted:

1. The PAN itself is the registration number in the system.
2. The same PAN number can be used to register for different business activities e.g. Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents etc.
3. Registration at a single policy location is sufficient to enable the agencies to operate at any EDI location in the country.
4. After registration at a particular location, the particulars may be updated at any of the 19 policy locations.

8. CHAs

For registration of CHAs at existing ICES 1.0 locations, detailed instructions have already been issued earlier.

9. The following points may be noted in respect of the existing ICES 1.0 system:

1. The registration number is a 15 digit PAN based number.
2. In terms of regulation 9(2) of the CHA Licensing Regulations, 2004, the CHAs who wish to operate in the jurisdiction of more than one policy section will have to register intimation in each of the concerned policy sections.
3. Registration at a policy section would enable the CHA to operate at any of the locations which have been mapped to the concerned policy section. New locations which work on ICES 1.5 have also been mapped to these policy locations as indicated in Annexure 1.
4. There is also a provision to amend the policy section indicated earlier.
5. At the time of registration, details of the existing registration (EDI/ non-EDI) are also required to be provided.
6. The concerned policy section would also confirm the validity of the CHA license.

10. For locations which are functioning as Policy sections for ICES 1.0, the following details may be added:

11. The following officer(s) are nominated for verification/ registration of Carrier Agency Code directory/ CHA directory

Formation	Name	Designation
Air Cargo Complex, ICD, Whitefield	Shri.Surseh Kumar Shri.B.P.Sinha.	Additional Commissioner Additional Commissioner.

12. The process of registration/verification is scheduled be completed by 12.3.2010.

13. Any difficulties may be brought to the notice of Shri.Suresh Kumar, Additional Commissioner, Air cargo Complex and Shri.B.P.Sinha, ICD, Whitefield.

Annexure.

1. List of ICES locations and their respective policy sections.
2. Copy of DoS instructions dated 22.11.06
3. CHA Registration Form
4. Carrier Agency Registration Form

ATTESTED

अपर आयुक्त
Additional Commissioner,
सीमा शुल्क, बंगलूर Customs, Bangalore

Sd/-
(B BHATTACHARYA)
COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS.

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Copy to

1. The Bangalore CHA Association Ltd, Bangalore for circulation.
2. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, Air Cargo Complex,
3. The Additional Commissioner of Customs, ICD,
4. The Notice Board.
5. Guard File, Technical Section

The above Public Notice is available on Customs Commissionerate Web-site
www.bangalorecustoms.gov.in

	Designated Policy Locations for CHA/ Carrier Directories	UNLOCODE	Existing Location	UNLOCODE	Name of the New location	UNLOCODE
1	Ludhiana (Amritsar customs)	INLDH6	ICD (Concor) Ludhiana	INLDH6	CFS Amritsar	INASR6
			CFS (OWPL) Ludhiana		ACC Amritsar	INATQ4
			CFS (KCM) Ludhiana		LCS Rail Cargo Attari	INATT2
					LCS Road Cargo Attari	INATRB
					ICD Jalandhar	INJUC6
2	NCH Delhi	INDEL4	ACC Delhi	INDEL4	ICD Chakeri, Kanpur	INCPC6
			ICD Tuglakabad	INTKD6	ICD JRY Kanpur	INKNU6
			ICD Patparganj	INPPG6	ICD Agra	INBLJ6
			ICD Ballabgarh	INBBD6	ICD Moradabad	INMBD6
			ICDs (CONCOR) Dadri	INDER6	ICD Loni	INLON6
			CGM Dadri	INCPL6	ICD Rewari	INREA6
			CFS Albatross, Dadri	INAPL6	ICD Ghari Harsaru	INGHR6
			CFS Startrack, Dadri	INSTT6	ICD Panipat	INPNP6
			CFS Trident, Dadri	INTTP6	ICD Patli	INPTL6
3	Mumbai CH	INBOM1	NCH Mumbai	INBOM1	ICD Chinchwad, Pune	INCCH6
			ICD Mulund	INMUL6	ICD Talegaon, Pune	INTLG6
			JNCH	INNSA1	ICD Dighi, Pimpri	INDIG6
			ACC Sahar	INBOM4	ICD Waluj, Aurangabad	INWAL6
					ICD Maliwada	INMWA6
					CFS Nasik	INNSK6
					ICD Janori	INJNR6
					ICD Bhusawal	INBSL6
4	Chennai Sea	INMAA1	Custom House Chennai	INMAA1	ICD Karur	INKAR6
			ACC Chennai	INMAA4	ICD Arakkonam	INAJJ6

	Designated Policy Locations for CHA/Carrier Directories	UNLOCODE	Existing Location	UNLOCODE	Name of the New location	UNLOCODE
					ICD Thudiyalur	INTDE6
					Ennore port	INENR1
					ACC Coimbatore	INCJB4
					ICD Irugur	INIGU6
					ICD Singanallur	INSL6
					ICD Rakkiyalayam(Tirpur)	INTUP6
					ICD Chettipalayam (Tirpur)	INCHE6
					ICD Veerappandi	INTHO6
					ICD Pulichappallam	INPNY6
					Custom House Pondicherry	INPNY1
					Nagapattinam port	INNPT1
5	Tuticorin	INTUT1	Custom House Tuticorin	INTUT1		
			ICD Tuticorin	INTUT6		
6	Cochin CH	INCOK1	Custom House Cochin	INCOK1	ACC Cochin	INCOK4
					ACC Calicut	INCCJ4
7	Trivandrum Central Excise		ACC Trivandrum	INTRV4		
8	Vizag CH	INVTZ1	Custom House Vizag	INVTZ1	Paradeep Port	INPRT1
			Custom House Kakinada	INKAK1	Gangavaram Port	INGGV1
9	Kolkata CH	INCCU1	Custom House Kolkata	INCCU1	ICD Jamshedpur	INIXW6
			ACC Kolkata	INCCU4	LCS Dawki, Meghalaya	INDWKB
			LCS Petrapole	INPTPB	LCS Sutarkandi, Assam	INSTRB
					LCS Moreh, Manipur	INMREB
					LCS Agartala Tripura	INAGTB

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10	Bangalore CH	INBLR4	ACC Bangalore ICD Bangalore	INBLR4 INWFD6		
11	Hyderabad CH	INHVD4	ACC Hyderabad ICD Hyderabad	INHVD4 INSNF6		
12	Mangalore CH	INNML1	Custom House Mangalore	INNML1		
13	Indore (Pithampur ICD)	ININD6	ICD Pithampur	ININD6	ICD Malanpur ICD Nagpur ICD Raipur ICD Mandideep ACC Indore	INMPR6 INNGP6 INRAI6 INMDD6 INIDR4
14	Ahmedabad Customs	INSBI6	ICD Ahmedabad ACC Ahmedabad	INSBI6 INAMD4	ICD Surat ICD Vapi ICD Dashrath, Vadodra	INSTV6 INVPI6 INBRG6
					Magdala port	INMDA1
					Sikka Port	INSIK1
					Dahej Port	INDAH1
					Bedi Port	INBED1
					Pipavav Port	INPAV1
					Vadinar Port	INVAD1

	Designated Policy Locations for CHA/ Carrier Directories	UNLOCODE	Existing Location	UNLOCODE	Name of the New location	UNLOCODE
15	Kandla Customs	INIXY1	Custom House Kandla	INIXY1		
16	Jamnagar Customs (Mundra)	INMUN1	Custom House Mundra	INMUN1		
17	Jaipur	INJAI6	ICD Jaipur	INJAI6	ACC Jaipur	INJAI4
					ICD Bhillwara	INBHL6
					ICD Bhiwadi	INBWD6
					ICD Thar Dry Port, Jodhpur	INTHA6
					ICD RAJSIICO, Bansi	INJUX6
					ICD Concor Jodhpur	INBGK6
					LCS Rail Rajasthan	INMNB2
					ICD Concor Kanakpura, Jaipur	INKKU6
					ICD Kota	INKTT6
18	Goa CH	INMRM1	Custom House Goa	INMRM1	ACC Goa	INGOI4
19	Raxual	INRXLB	LCS Raxaul	INRXLB	LCS Jogbani, Bihar	INJBNB
					LCS Jaynagar, Bihar	INJAYB
					LCS Berni, UP	INBNYB
					LCS Tikonia, UP	INTKNB
					LCS Bhimnagar, Bihar	INBNRB

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					LCS Bairstonia, Bihar	INBGUB

Site Created in Pre-production & System Manager's Role granted

Site Created in Pre-production

Site is in Production & working

D. Registered Address Particulars

Address	
City	
State	
Pin	
Telephone	
Email ID	

E. Category of Agency

Category of Agency (Tick one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Consol (CN) <input type="checkbox"/> Airlines(AL) <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping Lines(SL) <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping Agent(SA) <input type="checkbox"/> Main Line Operator(ML) <input type="checkbox"/> Transporter(TR)
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F. Details to be provided separately for each branch office

	Branch	
1	Address	
2	State	
3	Pin	
4	Phone	
5	Email	
6	Message Transfer Email*****	

G. Branch Contact Person(s). More than one Contact person can be given

1	Contact Person Name	
2	Designation	
3	Phone	
4	Mobile	
5	Email	

* This information must be provided in order to link the different agency codes in already registered in case the earlier PAN Number was incorrect.

** Optional if registered with ICEGATE

*** Information in Para B & C required for airlines only

**** To be given in case the airline is unregistered and does not have PAN

***** Optional

List of attested documents attached:

1. PAN Card of the carrier Agency
2. Proof of Address (Please specify)
3. Letter of authority in favour of authorized person on agency letter head
4. PAN card of authorized person (Optional)
5. Any other, Please specify

(Authorized Person's Signature)

Name of Authorized Person

Place:

Date:

Instructions In Respect Of The Verification/Updation Of Carrier Agencies And CHA Directories For Implementation Of ICES 1.5

1. As part of implementation of the centralised version of the Indian Customs EDI System (ICES 1.5), the CHA directory which was already centralized, is to be updated before being ported at the data centre, while a centralised Carrier Agency directory is now being created, based on local directories and additional data from various locations.
2. This process also involves document based verification /amendment of existing data regarding CHAs and Carrier agencies available at existing ICES 1.0 locations. It may be noted that this process of correction is essential to create uniform central directories since the relevant details provided against PAN numbers have been found to vary across the ICES 1.0 databases at different locations.
3. The process of correction of incorrect particulars is being undertaken on the basis of details obtained from Income Tax Department (CBDT). A comparison of these details has established several discrepancies in the PAN records available in ICES 1.0. **The details were verified a few months ago from the CBDT database. Hence some more discrepancies may be observed during the local re-verification process.** The discrepancies include incorrect PAN numbers, mismatch in names of persons, agencies, addresses etc. Details have been elaborated in the draft Public Notice.
4. **A soft copy of the details in ICES 1.0 tallied with those available in the CBDT data, relevant for each of the relevant Policy sections, is also being forwarded to the respective System Managers.** (Carrier details are being provided policy location wise.)
5. A separate interface for central updation is being developed by the Directorate of Systems; to be activated after all existing sites have migrated to ICES 1.5.
6. For the present, until all ICES 1.0 locations have migrated to ICES 1.5, the facility for updating these directories will be handled from the 19 ICES 1.0 locations which already had been identified as Policy Sections for the purpose of creating the centralized CHA Directory (list attached as annexure 1 of the draft PN). The designated officers at these 19 locations already have the facility of updating the contents of the CHA Directory. A

similar facility is now being provided at these locations for updating the Carrier Agency Directory.

NOTE: Even after an ICES 1.0 location has migrated to ICES 1.5, provision has been made for a selected number of PCs to retain access to the appropriate server at Central Revenue Building, New Delhi, where these Directories are created/ maintained before being transmitted to Data Centre. The data collected from CBDT is also available on this server for validating details.

7. In respect of the CHA Directory detailed instructions had earlier been issued by the Directorate of Systems vide F. No IV(26)/30/2004 – Systems dated 22.11.06. A copy of these instructions is being enclosed for ease of reference for locations at which ICES is being implemented for the first time (Appendix A).
8. As regards the Carrier Agencies, a copy of relevant screenshots of the new software is also attached for reference as Appendix B. The local NIC officers would provide necessary assistance in this task.

NOTE: In case of unregistered Airlines which do not have a PAN, the instructions contained in the public notice pertaining to the precondition of PAN for registration shall not be applicable. The registration/ re- verification process only requires confirmation of the IATA code and Prefix code as well as the details of the handling airline. However, while entering the particulars in the system the details of the handling airline shall not be entered.

9. For handling of the CHA directory the user ids are already available at each of the 19 policy locations. For the Carrier directory 2 user ids for each location are being created. The user ids and password would be provided by the ICEGATE team. Clarifications may be obtained from dhirender.singh@icegate.gov.in
10. Since the data is relevant for new ICES 1.5 locations, as also the locations which are migrating from ICES 1.0 to ICES 1.5, it is necessary that the task be completed on priority else the concerned agencies may find operational issues when working on ICES 1.5. However, there would be no impact as regards their working in ICES 1.0 unless the existing records are closed.

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Directorate General of Systems
 Customs & Central Excise, Samrat Hotel
 Chanakya Puri New Delhi 110021

F No. IV (26)/30/2004 – Systems/3207-41

Dated:- 22/11/06

To
 Commissioner of Customs
 (All ICES Locations)

Sir,

**Subject: Implementation of the new Centralized CHA Directory —
 Clarification - Regarding**

Please refer to our earlier letters of even number dated 8/9/2005, 26/12/2005, 01/06/06, 5/7/06 and 08/09/2006. CHA associations have represented to this office in regard to the problems faced by them in getting registered with the new directory. CHA sections from various Custom Houses have also written to this office regarding problems faced by them. A meeting was held on 8/10/2006 with the representatives of the Mumbai Custom House Agents' Association. Please find in para 2 below a tabulation of the problems reported and the suggested solution and course of action. To clarify doubts that are being raised in regard to procedures for different types of registration a circular explaining these procedures has also been enclosed herewith. The schedule for implementation of the PAN based directory would be as per para 3 of this letter.

2. The problems reported in the updation of the Centralized CHA directory and their suggested remedies/clarifications are as follows:

S No.	Reference No. and Date	Problem Reported/ Issue Raised	Remarks & Suggested action	Course o
1	C No. VIII(H) dated 13/12/2006 from NCH Delhi and reminder dated 20-09-2006	Policy Branch has not been provided a facility to generate a 15 digit PAN based number. The software provides for	There is a facility for the generation of 15 digit PAN numbers on the centralized PAN based CHA directory. This directory is centrally hosted. These numbers can be viewed by the CHA policy section using the menu option provided in the directory maintenance module in ICES. The same list can be viewed on the web at	

		only 10 digits for generating an online checklist,	http://www.icegate.gov.in/CHAREport/index.html . It is again clarified that CHAs will be able to use any of their registered 15 digit PAN based CHA numbers for filing at any location.
2	-do-	CHAs who have registered their PANs in Delhi Air cargo are being shown as "unregistered" in Tughlakabad, Patparganj and Faridabad.	Attention is invited to this office letter of even number dated 08/09/2005 enclosing a Draft Public Notice. In Sr No. 15 of this Annex to this Draft PN, it was mentioned that while registering the CHAs in the PAN based CHA Directory, that the details of CHA registrations in ports other than the registered ports should be provided. CHAs who have not provided their present CHA registration numbers for different ICES locations at the time of registration can provide these details to their respective policy sections. Till such time as this information is not supplied to the Policy Section, the system will continue to show the status for such locations as un-registered. For removal of doubts, the procedure for carrying out this registration is provided in the enclosed circular.
4	FFFAI/CBEC/050/06 dated 13/09/06	No clear-cut guidelines or instructions for each station and branches.	The instructions issued from time to time have not been clearly understood by the CHA and the departmental officers. To clarify the entire procedure for registration of PAN based CHA directory, a circular is being issued. (copy enclosed.)
5.	-do-	CHA names have been shown as un-registered.	Refer to clarification at 2 above. The point refers to the website information which gave the position as on 22/08/2006. The link has since been removed since several CHAs have since updated their registrations. On the website, CHAs can now enter their PAN number which would enable them to view their registration details and also provide the list of ICES locations where they are authorized and enabled to operate.

6	-do-	There are duplicate registrations. What will be done to those licenses once the PAN based registration comes into being.	A number of CHAs have more than one license. CHAs who have obtained original licenses at more than one customs location will have to decide on retaining one of the policy sections as the "Principal Policy Section". The remaining registrations/ licenses will be cancelled in the system and the sites will be treated in the system as being governed by Regulation 9(2) intimations. NI C is making the software available to the Custom House Policy sections. The procedure involved is explained in enclosed circular.
7	BCHAA/RRK/306/2006 dated 13/09/2006 and 14/09/2006	Website not showing up to date information Rescheduling of implementation	Refer to point number 5 above. Revised schedule of implementation in Para 3 of this letter.
8	Several emails and representations (from Chennai Custom house, Delhi custom house, Banagalre Air Cargo, M/s Domino Cargo, M/s Jayant & co. etc on the inability to make fresh registrations on the old CHA directory.	Old CHA Directory has been blocked from updation.	While the facility for extending validity dates for existing CHA registrations have been provided, new CHA registrations and Reg. 9(2) updations have been barred in the old CHA directory and such CHAs have been permitted to carry out their transactions in the manual mode. The reason is as follows: The PAN based CHA directory has been compiled after drawing information from the existing CHA directories so that the records of transactions carried out in the ICES using the old CHA registration numbers can be linked-up with the new PAN based registration numbers. If new records are allowed to be added, the work that has been done on data compilation will have to be carried out again and a new PAN based CHA directory will get created. This would imply undoing the entire work done over the past few months. The situation will ease with the

			implementation of the Centralized PAN based CHA directory, which will be implemented according to schedule given in Para 3 of this letter.
9.	Ref: F/235A/2006 dated 19/9/2006- BCHAA	CHAs holding more than one license	Refer to point no. 6 above
10	-do-	Registering a license for a custom house which is not under EDI/ICEGATE system	Problems encountered in registering CHAs who have been given licenses by Custom Houses which are not yet covered under EDT have been reported. Such CHAs may choose the nearest Policy Section covered under EDT to register themselves. The procedure is elaborated in the circular enclosed.
11	DCCAA/system/2006-2007 dated 22/09/2006 Delhi Customs Clearing Agents Association(regd)	Web site is not opening;	Problems regarding the operation of the website should be reported to ICEGATE helpdesk at 011-23379020(20 lines).
12	Meeting with BCHAA on 08/10/2006	Registration under Reg. 9(2) procedure is different in different formations	Documentation, formalities and clearances are different for different Custom Houses for registration of license and Reg. 9(2) intimation. This matter is being examined and separate instructions will issue in this regard.
13	-do-	The CHA LR (2004) has no concept for a Centralized registration.	The CHA LR (2004) while providing for a nation-wide applicability of CHA license subject to intimation under Reg 9(2), does not provide for any license numbering system. Under ICES, a national PAN based numbering system is being implemented.
14	-do-	Whether flat file format for ICEGATE will have to provide new 15 digit PAN based CHA reg. No.?	Once the new registration database takes over, the flat file BE and Shipping bill messages will be required to contain the new registration number. NIC has prepared a patch which can be implemented by the RES users. Even floppy submission and Annexures to service centers should contain new 15 digit PAN based CHA numbers. CHAs are requested to advise their respective software vendors to implement the required changes. Changes would come into effect from the date on which the

			new directory will be made operational.
15	On Email	In case there is a change in the constitution of an existing CHA resulting in a change in the PAN number itself	The concerned Policy Section may first determine the continued validity of the license and whether the license is to be granted/extended to the new entity. If a license has to be granted to a new entity, the Policy Section may, in the new PAN based CHA directory, cancel the old license that has ceased to be valid and enter the new PAN as a fresh record in the database. There is no provision in the system for amending PAN numbers of CHAs.

3. It is proposed to implement the PAN based CHA license directory in ICES according to the following schedule.

- i. Delhi & Mumbai Sites: 28th Nov 2006
- ii. All other Custom houses on 5th Dec 2006.

Data that has been collected on status of PAN based CHA registrations in respect of active CHAs at various ICES locations suggests that still a large number of CHAs have not yet registered with the system on the PAN based CHA database. This activity should be completed at the earliest since those CHAs who have not registered on the new PAN based CHA directory will not be able to operate once the directory is implemented. Commissioners of Customs are requested to issue a Circular to the staff and a Public Notice (both drafts enclosed) in this behalf and inform the respective Custom House Agents' Associations for compliance.

Yours faithfully,



(Y.G. Parande)

Copy for information

1. All Chief Commissioners of Customs
2. Directorate General of Revenue Intelligence
3. Shri. A.S. Sastry, Sr. Technical Director, NIC