

**OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS: C.R. BUILDINGS:
P.B. NO: 5400, QUEEN'S ROAD, BANGALORE – 560 001.**

PUBLIC NOTICE No. 20/2007.

Dated: 13.03.2007.

Sub: Dispensing with verification of DEPB Licenses in the light of Electronic Transmission of Shipping Bills and DEPB Licenses at the Air Cargo Complex, Bangalore, with effect from 20.03.2007-reg.

Attention of the CHA/Import-Export trade is invited to the Board's Circular No.14/99 Cus dated 15.03.99, wherein procedure of manual verification of DEPBs has been provided.

2. In pursuance of the Board's Circular No. 11/2007 dated 13th February, 2007 issued from F. No. 605/210/2005-DBK and in order to facilitate the trade, a procedure for online transmission of shipping bills to DGFT as well as DEPBs from DGFT has been put in place at **Air Cargo Complex, Bangalore (ACC)**. As per this procedure, the DEPBs issued by DGFT would now be received online by Customs. Such DEPBs would be subjected to the prescribed validation checks online and thereafter, the same would be available for use by the importers. Details of such DEPBs would also be available on the home page of website, www.icegate.gov.in. However, as a purely temporary measure till the procedure gets stabilised, it has been decided that the importers would be required to produce the hard copies of the DEPBs issued by DGFT to the designated officer before such DEPBs are allowed to be utilised.

3. It has been further decided that henceforth, in respect of the DEPBs received online, the DEPB number would need to be mentioned on the bill of entry if such DEPBs are intended to be used for payment of duty instead of the registration number as is the practice with respect to manually verified DEPBs.

4. The above procedure would be applicable in respect of DEPBs issued on or after **20th March, 2007** by DGFT. The procedure as prescribed in the above Board's Circular No.14/99 Cus dated 15.03.99 would continue to be followed in case of DEPBs issued before 20th March, 2007.

5. Difficulties, if any, may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

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COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS**

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