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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 164/2016

Sub:- Mandatory filing of Advance Filing of Bill of Entry– Reg.

Attention of all the Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers, and the member of the Trade is invited to the Public Notice No.55/2011 dated 11.04.2011 wherein the procedure of Advance filing of Bill of Entry is prescribed.

2. In an effort to speed up the clearances from the port, the time taken by the various stakeholders was studied and it was observed that, delay on the part of the importers in filing the Bills of Entry was leading to overall delay in clearances of the imported consignments.

3. As a measure to ensure faster clearances, reduce dwell time of cargo and as a step towards 'Ease of Doing Business' it is decided that all the Bills of Entry pertaining FCL cargo, will have to be filed in the ICES system as Advance/Prior Bills of Entry mandatorily.

4. As regards, the concerns of the trade that, any amendment in the IGM/Documents leads to delay in case of Advance/Prior Bills of Entry, the procedure for amendment has already been streamlined vide Public Notice 47/2016 Dated 15.03.2016 Further, it is again emphasized that any amendment in an Advance/Prior Bills of Entry would be done within two hours of the request being filed by the Importer/Custom Broker, generally without any penalty.

5. All the Bills of Entry, filed as Advance/Prior Bills of Entry, will be granted enhanced facilitation.

6. It is advised that Bills of Entry pertaining to LCL Cargo may also be filed as advance/ prior Bills of Entry.

7. Difficulties, if any; faced in implementation of these instructions may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

Sd/-

**(SHRAWAN KUMAR)
COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, NS-III**

Copy to:

- 1. The Pr. Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II**
- 2. The Pr. Commissioner/All the Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II**
- 3. All Addl. /Joint Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II**
- 4. All Deputy/Asst. Commissioner of Customs Mumbai Zone-II**
- 5. The DC/EDI for uploading on the JNCH Website**
- 6. The Superintendent, Boarding office, JNCH**
- 7. Port Terminals (JNPCT/NSICT/GTI)**