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**PUBLIC NOTICE No. 02/2024**

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**Sub:-Import & Export of Containerised cargo through Paradip International Cargo Terminal (PICT), Paradeep Port- Reg.**

Attention of Trade, Customs House Brokers, Logistics operators, CFS/ICD operators, Custodians, Importers, Exporters etc. is invited with regard to Import and Export of containerised cargo through Paradip International Cargo Terminal (PICT), Paradeep Port under the jurisdiction of Customs(Preventive) Commissionerate, Bhubaneswar to any ICD/CFS/SEZ in Odisha and vice-versa.

**IMPORT**

**1. Transshipment of Import Containerised Cargo from PICT to ICD/CFS**

- 1.1 In case of import of Containerised cargo through PICT meant for transshipment the Steamer Agent shall file the IGM mentioning the details like container No., Seal nos and the final destination of CFS/ICD online. Based on the IGM, the Preventive Officer will grant entry-inward to the vessel in EDI system. After granting entry-inward, if containerised cargo is meant for transshipment to ICD/CFS, the Steamer Agent will file Sub-IGM depending on the destination ICD or CFS (Transshipment). After sub-IGM is filed, subsequently Sub Manifest Transshipment Permit (SMTP) shall be approved by the concerned Superintendent/Appraiser. The SMTP will contain Container No., Seal No.,



Importer details, Destination ICD/CFS, Cargo description and TP Bond details etc. Normally, if there is no alert notice/intelligence information available/shared against the containerised cargo or Shipping Line, the transshipment permission should be granted.

**1.2 (A) Execution of Transshipment Bond**:- The carrier of goods (which are meant for transshipment to ICD/CFS) shall execute a transshipment bond along with Bank Guarantee(as applicable). The bond will cover the value of the goods and the same will be accepted by the Assistant Commissioner/Deputy Commissioner in-charge of PICT. The carrier of goods has to pay transshipment permit fees as applicable.

After execution of bond, the carrier will move containers to destination ICD/CFS along with transshipment permission copy. After arrival of the container at the ICD/CFS, the designated officer will verify the container number, seal details and endorse as a token of receipt of the containerised cargo at ICD/CFS on the transshipment permission copy manually. The carrier will submit the 'cargo receipt acknowledgement copy' within the prescribed time period of 30 days to the concerned Custom officer at PICT and the bond will be re-credited. After receipt of the container by the Custom officer at ICD/CFS, the extant procedure will be followed for filling Bill of Entry, assessment, inspection/examination and clearance of the goods. In case of any pilferage of goods during transshipment, the carrier of the goods required to pay the custom duty at PICT.

**(B) Execution of Continuity Bond**:-The Shipping Line shall execute a continuity bond for transshipment of containers to ICD/CFS. The continuity bond will cover the estimated duty element of the imported container but not for the cargo it carries. No Bank guarantee is required to be furnished by the Shipping Line. The validity period of the bond is one year, which can be extended as and when requested by the person executed the bond. The shipping line has to submit the proof of export of such containers within 6 months from the date of export out of India. If the Shipping Line does not submit the proof of export of the container within 6 months, the designated officer will issue demand notice after expiry of 6 months. The Deputy Commissioner/Assistant Commissioner in-charge of PICT may grant extension upto 3 months on



request made by the shipping line for reasons recorded in writing. However, further extension of a period not exceeding 6 months may be granted by the Commissioner of Customs on merit of each case for reasons recorded in writing. (Ref: Board Circular No. 83/98-Customs dated 5/11/1998 and Circular No. 31/2005-Customs dated 25<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

## **2. Transshipment of empty Container to ICD/CFS/SEZ from PICT**

The Steamer Agent has to file IGM mentioning details of empty container no, and size. The Shipping Line has to execute a continuity bond before AC/DC in-charge of PICT. The bond amount will cover the import duty liability of empty containers. The validity of the bond is 1 year. The Shipping Line has to submit proof of export of the containers to AC/DC in-charge of PICT within 6 months of date of clearance. The AC/DC in-charge of PICT may grant further extension up to three months for the reason recorded in writing. However, in case of genuine difficulty further extension of a period not exceeding 6 months at a time can be granted by the Commissioner of Customs.

## **3. Transshipment of Import Containerized Cargo to SEZ**

In case of import of containerized cargo meant for transshipment to SEZ, the steamer agent has to file the IGM mentioning the Container details along with the SEZ name and code. Based on the IGM, the importer/Customs Broker shall file the Bill of Entry in SEZ online system. The Authorized officer will assess the Bill of Entry in online system. The assessed Bill of Entry copy will be transmitted to designated Customs officer of PICT through interlinked EDI system. Once the designated Customs officer received the assessed Bill of Entry copy in system, the same will be treated as permission for transfer of goods to SEZ, as per Rule 29 of SEZ Rules, 2006. Accordingly the designated Customs officer of PICT will allow the container to move to SEZ. Further as per extant procedure, the Authorized officer of SEZ after due inspection/Examination, will give 'out of charge' of such containerised cargo. This out of charge message will be transmitted to designated Customs officer of the PICT as a proof of receipt of cargo by the Authorised officer of SEZ. The time period for submission of such proof of receipt of cargo is notified under SEZ Rule as 45 days from the date of clearance of cargo from PICT. If such receipt of cargo is not transmitted/submitted to the designated Customs



officer at PICT, then Custom officer shall write to the specified officer of SEZ for raising demand of applicable duty from the SEZ.

## **EXPORT**

### **4. Transshipment of Containerized Cargo from ICD/CFS to PICT meant for export**

As the software module for Export Transshipment Permit (ETP) has been implemented in ICES for transshipment of containerized goods meant for export from ICD/CFS under the jurisdiction of Customs (Preventive) Commissionerate, Bhubaneswar to PICT, a procedure in this regard is prescribed as below:

#### **4.1. Processing of Shipping Bill:**

The procedure for filing of Shipping Bill for the containerized cargo meant for export remains the same as being done presently.

In case of self sealed containerized cargo moved to ICD/CFS, the Inspection/Examination report shall be entered in the EDI system against the concerned Shipping Bill by the Preventive Officer/Inspector of the concerned ICD/CFS. Similarly, in case of other cargoes which are brought to ICD/CFS for stuffing into the container, the Preventive Officer/Inspector, after due inspection/examination shall enter the examination report along with seal details of the container in the EDI system. Finally, in both cases after such inspection/examination, the examination report entered in the EDI system by the Preventive Officer/Inspector, and LEO will be granted by the Superintendent /Appraiser of the concerned ICD/CFS. Once LEO is granted for the containerized cargo meant for export, the exporter/Customs broker shall approach the Service Centre at the ICD/CFS for filing of ETP application in ICES.

#### **4.2 Registration of Bond:**

For transshipment purpose of containerized cargo meant for export through the PICT, the Carrier of the goods have to submit a separate continuous Bond and Bank Guarantee as applicable and get it registered and accepted by the AC/DC in the ICES as Transshipment Bond(TP). The Carrier providing such





bond shall undertake the responsibility for transhipment of the goods to be exported through the PICT and will be treated as the Transhipper.

#### **4.3 Application for ETP:**

After LEO is given, the transhipper is required to file the ETP Application request in the Service Centre at the ICD/CFS in the format provided in Annexure-1(Annexed to Public Notice No. 02/2024). The details sought as per Annexure-I have to be furnished to the Service Centre operator and he will enter the data in the EDI system and generate the check list. The Transhipper then verifies the check list and acknowledge the data entry for submission in ICES or the transhipper can directly submit the same in the ICES.

#### **4.4 Approval of Export Transhipment:**

Once the ETP application is submitted, the same will be verified by the Superintendent/Appraiser of the ICD/CFS for approval in the EDI system. The ETP permit gets printed after due approval. The Preventive Officer/ Inspector concerned shall allow the container to move out the ICD/CFS based on the copy of the ETP. The approved ETP permit should accompany the container meant for export through PICT.

#### **4.5 Transhipment Responsibility:**

As soon as the ETP approval permit is given, the Bond amount for the ETP shall be debited from the bond executed. It would be the responsibility of the Transhipper to ensure that the concerned cargo is exported from the PICT.

#### **4.6 Allowed for Shipment :**

As soon as the cargo reaches the PICT on the strength of ETP, the Preventive officer will verify the container number, seal no. and check whether the seal is intact or tampered. If the seal is intact then the PO will grant “allowed for shipment” in the ICES.

In case of any discrepancy or tampering of seal is noticed by the Custom Officers at PICT, the container shall be examined by the Superintendent(Preventive) of the PICT with due approval of the AC/DC of the





PICT. The AC/DC to intimate such incident to the Principal Commissioner / Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Bhubaneswar.

#### **4.7 Filing of EGM:**

After “Allowed for Shipment” was granted in the system, the Steamer Agent can file EGM against the Shipping Bill for which “Allowed for Shipment” was granted and cargo loaded into the vessel. After successful filing of EGM, the bond debited during ETP approval will be re-credited.

#### **4.8 Processing of Drawback:**

Approved ETP would serve as EGM for the purpose of export benefits. As soon as the approval of ETP permit is given, the Shipping Bills are moved to the Drawback Superintendent/Appraiser of the concerned ICD/CFS. After filing of EGM, the acknowledgement message from the Paradeep Port is transmitted to the concerned ICD/CFS in EDI System. The concerned Drawback Superintendent/Appraiser will process the Drawback.

### **5. Export of Self Seal containerized cargo through PICT**

- 5.1** The Exporter/Authorized Customs Broker shall file Shipping Bill in ICES for export of self sealed containerized cargo through PICT. The exporter/Authorized Customs Broker shall move the self sealed containerized cargo to the PICT along with the Shipping Bill and duly filled and signed Annexure C1(Annexed to Public Notice No.02/2024). The Preventive Officer of PICT will verify the container no and seal details as declared by the exporter in Annexure C1. If the seal is found intact then the Preventive Officer put his signature on Annexure C1 as proof of verification and the container will be allowed to stack in the PICT. In case the seal is found tempered or broken, examination of cargo will be carried out after obtaining the written permission of Deputy Commissioner/Assistant Commissioner, in-charge of PICT, in presence of Exporter/Authorized Custom Broker.

Subsequently, the Exporter/Authorized Customs Broker will present the Shipping Bill and Annexure C1 to the Inspector/Examiner posted at PICT. The



Inspector/Examiner will register the cargo on strength of duly verified Annexure C1. After registration of the cargo, the extant procedure will be followed for Let Export Order and loading of the containers into vessel.

**6. Export of Cargo which are to be stuffed in container at PICT:-**

**6.1** The Exporter/Customs Broker has to file the Shipping Bill in ICES. The Exporter/Customs Broker shall declare the details of the cargo in the Annexure C attached to the Public Notice No. 02/2024. The Exporter/Customs Broker will produce the cargo to the customs officer posted at PICT along with Shipping Bill and Annexure-C (duly filled and signed). The Inspector/Examiner shall verify the cargo as per Annexure-C and after due verification Inspector/Examiner will affix the signature in Annexure-C . Thereafter the Inspector/Examiner will register the cargo in the ICES against the Shipping Bill.

**6.2** Once the cargo is registered, as per extant procedure, Inspection/Examination will be carried out and LEO will be granted and then the cargo will be stuffed into the Container. The container will be sealed by customs seal and the seal details are to be entered in the system and allowed for shipment will be granted for loading the container into the vessel.

**7. Export of Containerised Cargo from SEZ through PICT.**

**7.1** In case of Export of containerized Cargo from Special Economic Zone(SEZ), the Shipping Bill shall be filed online by the Exporter/Authorized Custom Broker at the SEZ. The Shipping Bill will be assessed by the Authorized Officer. Following the due process of Inspection and Examination, Let Export Order will be given by the Authorized Officer of the SEZ in the SEZ online system. The containers are to be sealed by SEZ. The Exporter/Authorized Custom Broker shall mention the Container No & Seal details in the Shipping Bill.





- 7.2 After arrival of SEZ containerized cargo meant for export at PICT, the Preventive Officer posted at PICT will verify the seal no, Container no and intactness of seal as mentioned in the Shipping Bill at the entry gate. On due verification, if the seal and containerized cargo declaration found to be correct, allowed for shipment permission shall be given by the designated Customs officer of PICT. EGM will be filed by the Steamer Agent in ICES and the same will be transmitted to Authorized officer of SEZ through interlinked online system. The Authorized Officer shall accept the EGM message as proof of Export. The time period is prescribed as 90 days for submitting the proof of export by Exporter or his Authorized Customs Broker to SEZ authorized officer.
- 7.3 In case of any specific intelligence or information is received by custom officers regarding SEZ containerized cargo, the goods shall be examined after obtaining the written permission of Deputy Commissioner/Assistant Commissioner, in-charge of PICT.
- 7.4 During verification, if the seal is found broken or tampered, either goods will be examined at PICT or containers will be sent back to SEZ after affixing new customs seal as concurrence/permission given by Authorised officer of SEZ.
8. Difficulty faced, if any, in this regard, may immediately be brought to the notice of the undersigned.



(Madhab C. Mishra)  
Commissioner  
Customs (Preventive) Commissionerate  
Bhubaneswar.



**N.B:-**

- (a) Shri Ashok Kumar Kar, Assistant Commissioner has been declared as Nodal officer for PICT in this regard. (Mob-9163264383)
- (b) Shri N.Ravi Kumar, Assistant Commissioner has been declared as Nodal officer for HQ in this regard. (Mob-9618189977)
- (c) It is to be noted that containerised cargos covered under Advance Authorisation licence are not allowed for import either through ICD Kalinga Nagar or ICD Jharsuguda. (Ref: Notification No. 24/2023-Customs dated 01.04.2023)
- (d) Further, Containerised cargos covered under EPCG license are allowed for import through ICD Kalinga Nagar but not allowed for import through ICD, Jharsuguda (Ref: Notification No. 26/2023-Customs dated 01.04.2023)

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**Date: .03.2024**

Copy to:

1. The Chief Commissioner, CGST, Cex & Customs, Bhubaneswar Zone for information.
2. P.S to the Commissioner, Customs (Prev) Commissionerate, Bhubaneswar.
3. Addl./Joint Commissioner, Customs (Prev) Commissionerate, Bhubaneswar.
4. The Assistant/ Deputy Commissioner, Paradeep/Dhamra/ Gopalpur/ Bhubaneswar / Jajpur Customs Division, ICD Jharsuguda, Air Cargo Complex, BPI Airport for wide publicity among Trade Associations and Stockholders.
5. Notice Board.
6. Guard File.
7. The Manager, Paradip International Cargo Terminal, Paradeep Port.
8. The Superintendent (System) for uploading in the Departmental website.




**Annexure-I ( to the Public Notice No. 02/2024 )**

( To be submitted at the Service Centre of ICD/CFS)

Transshipment request form (ICD/CFS -PICT Cargo Transshipment)

1	Port Name with Code (The port through which the goods to be exported)	
2	Mode of Transport	
3	Shipping Bill No. and Date	
4	Nature of Cargo	
5	Port of Discharge	
6	Gross weight in KGs	
7	Name of the Carrier and Code	
8	Rotation No of the vessel	
9	Number of Containers to be loaded to the vessel	
10	Bond Type	
11	Bond details with number and date	
12	Name of the ICD/CFS where the Bond is registered	
13	Container No and Seal Details	

Signature of the Transhipper

  
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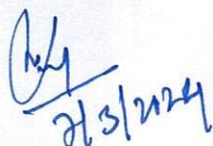
**Annexure-C1****(to Public Notice No. 02 / 2024)****Declaration for Self Sealed Containerized Cargo through PICT**

1	Shipping Bill No and Date	
2.	Name of the Exporter	
3.	(a) IEC No.	
	(b) GSTIN	
4.	Factory/premise address where the cargo self sealed	
5.	Date of self sealing and self sealing permission with date	
6.	Name of the authorized officer in whose presence the cargo sealed	
7.	Description of cargo	
8	Gross Weight(in Kgs)	
9	Net Weight (in Kgs)	
8.	Country of final destination	
9	Container Particulars:	
	Container No.	Seal No.
	(1)	(3)

10. Starting time (moving the container to PICT) :

Signature of Exporter/Authorized Customs Broker

Above mentioned containers arrived. Verified container no and seal details found as declared.



Name &amp; Signature Preventive Officer



**Annexure-C**  
**(to Public Notice No. 02/2024)**

1	Shipping Bill & Date	
2	Name of the Exporter	
3	IEC Code	
4	GSTIN	
5	Bill of Lading	
6	Freight & Insurance Charges	
7	Total No. of packages (Boxes/Cartons/Bages, etc)	
8	Marks & Nos of the packages	
9	Gross Weight( in Kgs)	
10	Net Weight (in Kgs)	
11	Descriptions of goods	

I/We declare that the particulars given herein are true and correct.

Dated:

Signature of Export/Authorized Customs Broker

Cargo arrived. Verified number of packages, marks and Nos as declared.

Name & Signature of Inspector/Examiner

*OK*  
*21/3/2023*