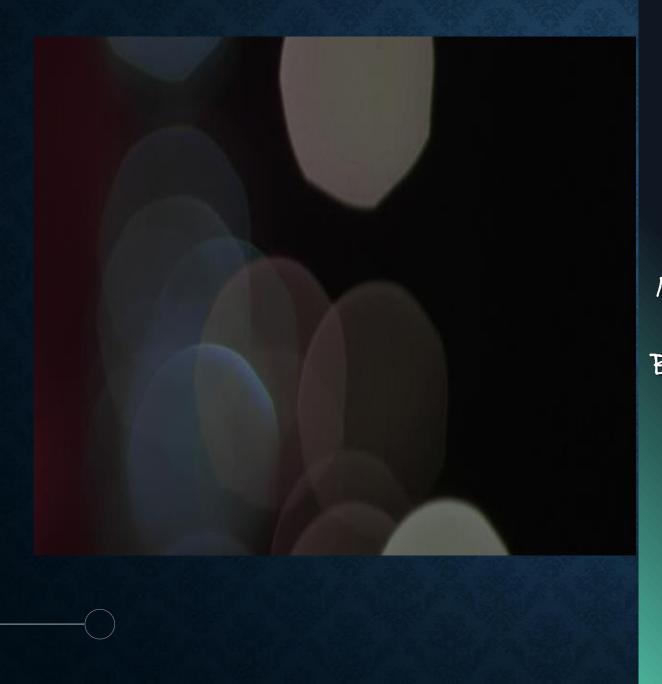
TRADE FACILITATION MEASURES IN CUSTOMS

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THE GOAL OF
MEASUREMENT IS TO NOT
ONLY DO THINGS RIGHT
BUT DO THE RIGHT THINGS
AND CONTINUOSLY
IMPROVE DOING THAT

AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION 2017.

Expedite the movement, release and clearance of goods, including goods in transit.

- Publication of information.
- Make available information through internet.
- Establish and maintain one or more enquiry points.
- Notify and Establish Committee on Trade Facilitation.

- Opportunity to comment and information before entry into force.
- Consultations.
- Advance Rulings.
- Procedures for Appeal and Review.

- Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections are uniform, impartial and nondiscriminatory.
- Detention shall be promptly informed.
- Test procedures- second test- publication of laboratory list.

AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION 2017. RELEASE AND CLEARANCE OF GOODS.

- Pre-arrival Processing:- adopt and maintain procedures for submission of docs before arrival of vessel. Advance lodging of documents in electronic format.
- ➤ Electronic Payment:- adopt or maintain procedures following the option of electronic payment of duties, taxes, fees and other charges.
- RMS:- Adopt and maintain risk management system for Customs control; concentrate control on high risk consignments and expedite release of low risk consignments.

AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION 2017. RELEASE AND CLEARANCE OF GOODS.



- PCA:-With a view to expedite release of goods, post clearance audit shall be adopted and maintained to ensure compliance with Customs and other related laws and regulations; basis of risk based manner.
- TRS:- Establish and publish time release studies.
- AEO:- Trade facilitation measures for authorized operators.
- Expedited Shipments:- Each member shall adopt or maintain procedures allowing for the expedited release of at least those goods entered through air cargo facilities to persons who apply for such treatment.
- Perishable Goods:- Shortest possible time; outside business hours; storage of such goods; communication.

AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION 2017. RELEASE AND CLEARANCE OF GOODS.

Movement of goods intended for import under Customs control

Formalities and documentation requirements

Acceptance of copies

Use of international standards

Single Window

Pre-shipment inspection- tariff classification and valuation
Use of Customs Brokers

AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION 2017. RELEASE AND CLEARANCE OF GOODS.

Common Border procedures and Uniform Documentation

Rejected Goods- option to re-consign or to return.

Temporary admission.

Freedom of transit.

Customs cooperation.



NATIONAL TRADE FACILITATION ACTION PLAN 2017-20

To transform cross-border clearance ecosystem through efficient, transparent, risk-based, digital, seamless and technology driven procedures which are supported by state-of the art sea-ports, airports and land-border crossings, rail road and other logistics infrastructure

To bring down overall cargo release time as below:

For imports



Within 3 days for sea cargo, within 2 days air cargo & inland container depots and on the same day for land customs stations

For Exports

Within 2 days for sea cargo, and on the same day for air cargo & inland container depots and land customs stations

T F ACTION PLAN

FOUR PILLARS OF TRADE FACILITATION

- Transparency- focus on improved access to accurate and complete information.
- Technology- development and use of digital and detection technologies to ease out bottlenecks and improve efficiency.
- Simplification of procedures and Risk based Assessments.
- Infrastructure Augmentation.

OBJECTIVES

- Improvement in ease of doing business (EODB) rankings through reduction in transaction cost and time.
 - In top 50 bracket in the next 3-5 years.
 - Increase share of manufacturing from 16% to 25% by 2020. Vada theory
 - Transaction costs for imports and exports 15%.
 - Cost of transport and logistic sector 14.4%.
 - Envisage reduction in these costs by 10%.

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Reduction in Cargo Release Time

Reduce cargo dwell time-

For imports- 3 days for Sea and 2 days for ACC, ICD etc,.

For Export 2 days for sea and same day for ACC, ICD etc,.

Immediate 40% increase in Direct Delivery

Paperless Regulatory Environment

- ✓ Digitizing documentation and reduce use of paper.
- ✓ Improve efficiency
- ✓ Reduce Cost
- ✓ Platform for integrating regulatory agencies.

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- Easy access to information.
- ✓ Updation of information.
- ✓ Mobility to information.
- ✓ Legally binding mechanism for prior consultation.
- ✓ Achieve score of 6 from 3.4 in Global Indicators of Regulatory Governance.

Transparent and Predictable legal regime

Publication of proposed regulations | Consultation around their content | Use of regulatory impact assessments.

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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

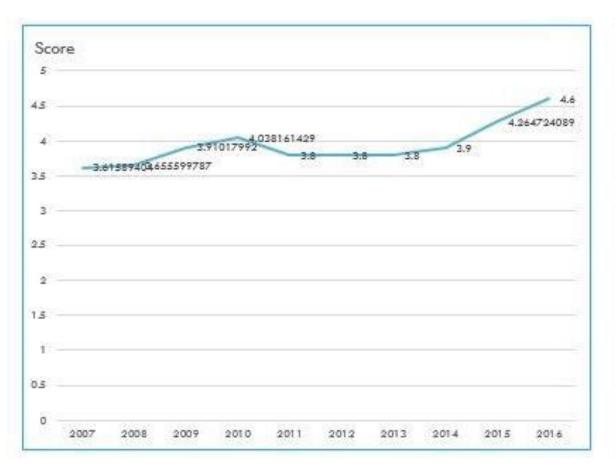
- OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators
- World Bank Trading Across Borders-documentary compliance, border compliance & domestic transport

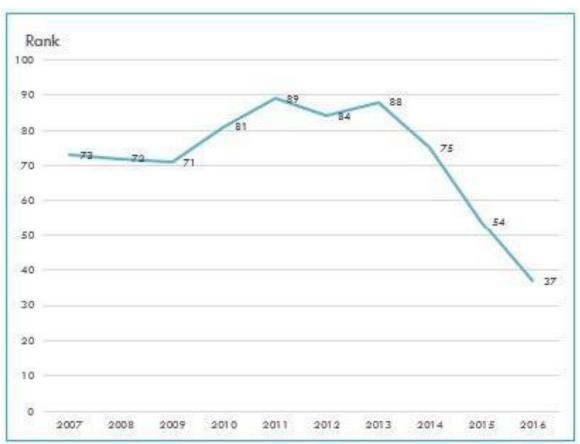
<u>Documentary compliance</u> captures the time and cost associated with documentation requirements of all government agencies of the origin economy, the destination economy and all transit economies.

Border compliance captures the time and cost associated with compliance of economy's Customs Regulations and other mandatory inspections.

<u>Domestic Transport</u> captures the time and cost associated with transporting a shipment from a warehouse in the largest business city of the economy to the most widely used sea-port, airport or land Customs of the economy

Performance Indicator - WEF Global Competitiveness Report Rank and Score of Indian Customs

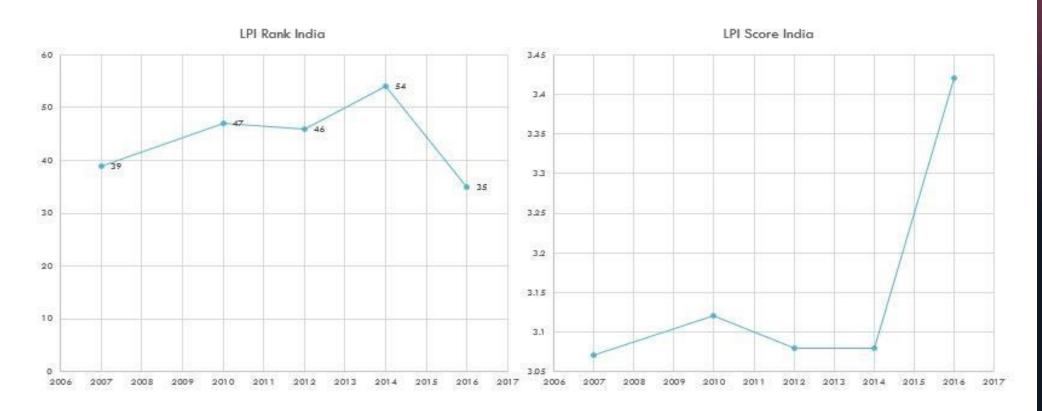




Higher the Score - Higher the Competitiveness

Lower the Rank - Higher the Competitiveness

Performance Indicator - LPI Rank and Score of Indian Customs



Lower the Rank - Higher the Performance

Higher the Score - Higher the Performance

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ACTION PLAN

Cross Border Procedures: Regulatory Agencies:

- Customs
- DGFT
- FSSAI, CDCSO (Ministry of Health)
- Animal and Plant Quarantine
- Bureau of Indian Standards
- Textile Committee
- Wireless Planning and Coordination
- Wildlife Crime Control Bureau

Infrastructure and Logistics:

- Ministry of Shipping.
- Ministry of Civil Aviation.
- Ministry of Railways.
- Ministry of Roadways and Highways.
- Ministry of Commerce,
- Ministry of Finance.
- Ministry of Home Affairs.

ACTION PLAN

- To host and update all regulatory information available on the internet on a single window portal- Compliance Information Portal.
- Develop Electronic Health Certification system.
- To monitor detention of goods and to ensure the establishment of an obligatory mechanism to inform the importers/carrier about detentions effected.
- To allow re-test and publish list of accredited laboratories.
- Publication of all fees and charges other than import, export duties on a single window web-site.
- Fess and charges to be limited in amount to the approximate cost of services.
- Penalties for breach of Customs law only on the responsible person.
 Explanation. Rationalize penalties in Customs Act.

ACTION PLAN

- Strengthen PCA and use audit outcome in PCA.
- Conduct Time Release Study.
- Expedited procedures and requisite storage infrastructure for perishable goods. SOP. Priority for perishable goods in examination. Import 12 hrs and Export 8 hrs. SMS/email notifications.
- To replace paper documentation with electronic documentationcountry of origin certificates. Reduce documentation for inward outward remittances. KYC to be rationalized.
- Issue circular to bring in uniformity in procedure for re-export and reconsign rejected goods.
- Streamlining of procedure for transit documentation.
- Encourage connectivity and cooperation with other Customs formations to promote Globally Networked Customs.

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CTION PLAN

- **Establishment of enquiry points.**
- Legally binding consultative mechanism with trade before new laws/amendment to be introduced.
- Legislative changes in the Customs Act for time period of issuance, validity, review, revocation, modification and invalidation of Advance Rulings. Searchable database.
- Legislative changes in the Customs Act for amending the definition and scope of pre-arrival processing of documents and separation of release of goods from final determination of Customs duties, taxes, fees and charges.
- Integrated RMS with 10% interdiction. EDI connectivity to be made universal.
- Create Central Repository for submission of documents.
- Single Window for exports.
- Streamline procedure for allowing re-import of goods for outward and inward processing with duty exemption/concession.

E-SANCHIT PROCESS

- 1. Prepare supporting documents in the digital format.
- 2. Upload documents.
- 3. Validate documents.
- 4. Submit the documents.
- 5. Acknowledge disclaimer.
- 6. Use uploaded documents in Bill of Entry or Shipping Bill as the case may be.

E-SANCHIT PROCESS...

Prepare the supporting documents in digital format

Render documents in digital format.

Submitter to ensure that the documents received are rendered in PDF/A format.

Submitter may obtain the rendered document from the issuer. Or

Submitter may render the hard copy to PDF/A format by scanning.

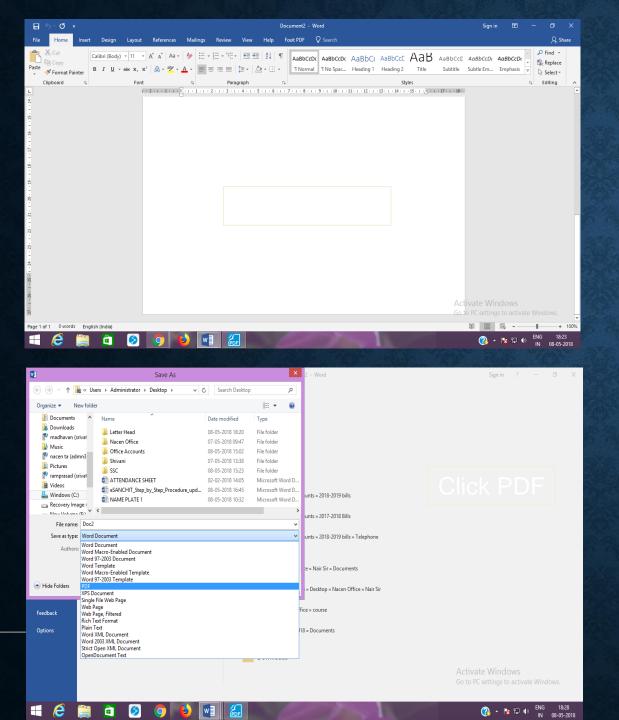
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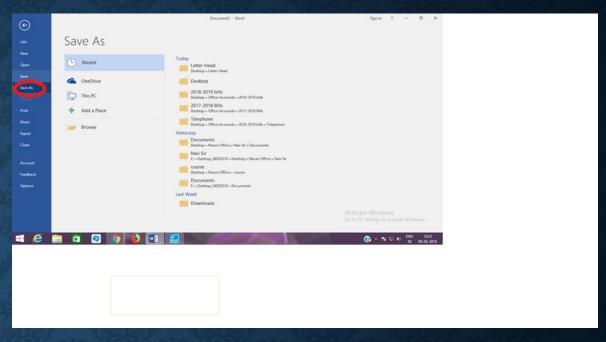
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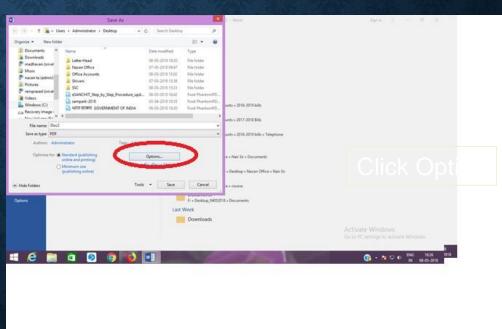
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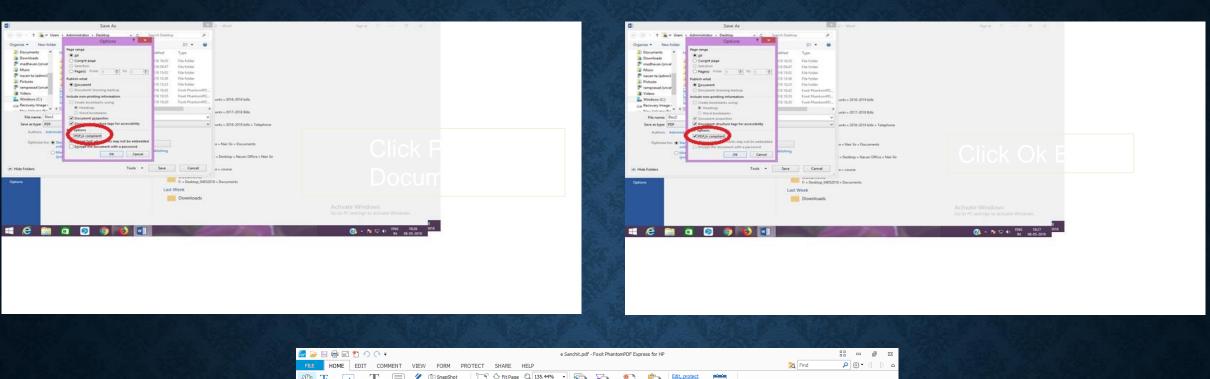
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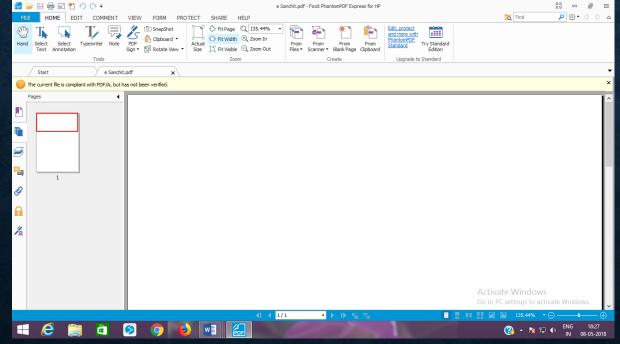
Unavoidable circumstances- two or more pdf files.











E-SANCHIT PROCESS...

Prepare the supporting documents in digital format.. Qualitative aspects

Resolution not less than 200 dpi in b&w.

File size not more than 75 kb.

File size more than 1 MB, split and upload.

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For roller scanners ensure no fold

Contents should not be skewed in any directions.

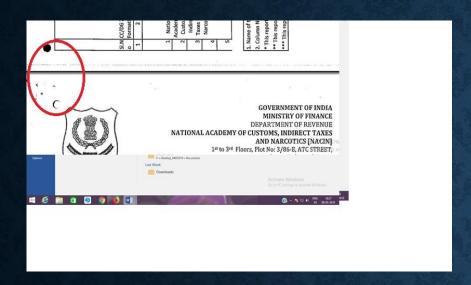
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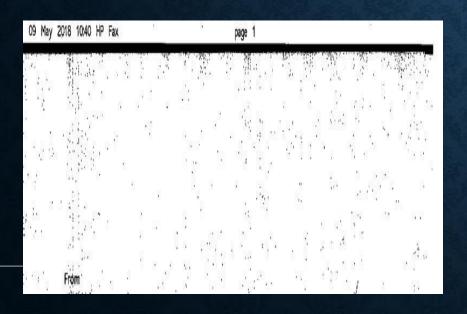
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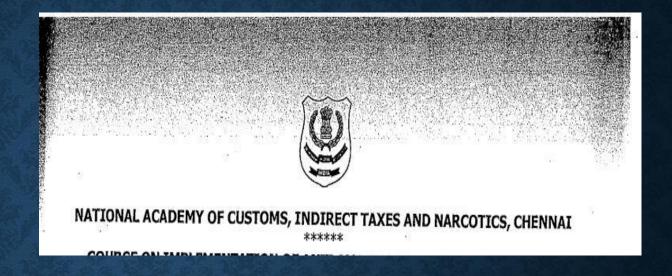
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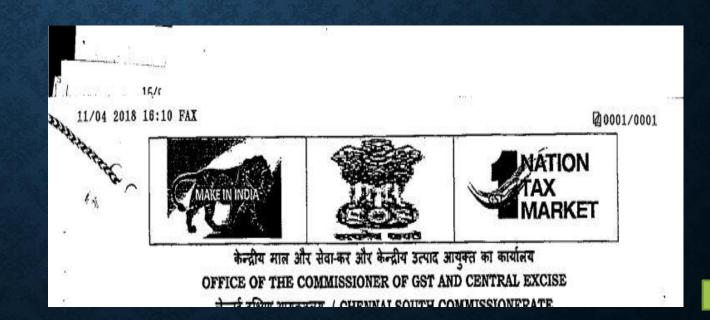
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Digital signature on all documents using the digital signature registered on ICEGATE.



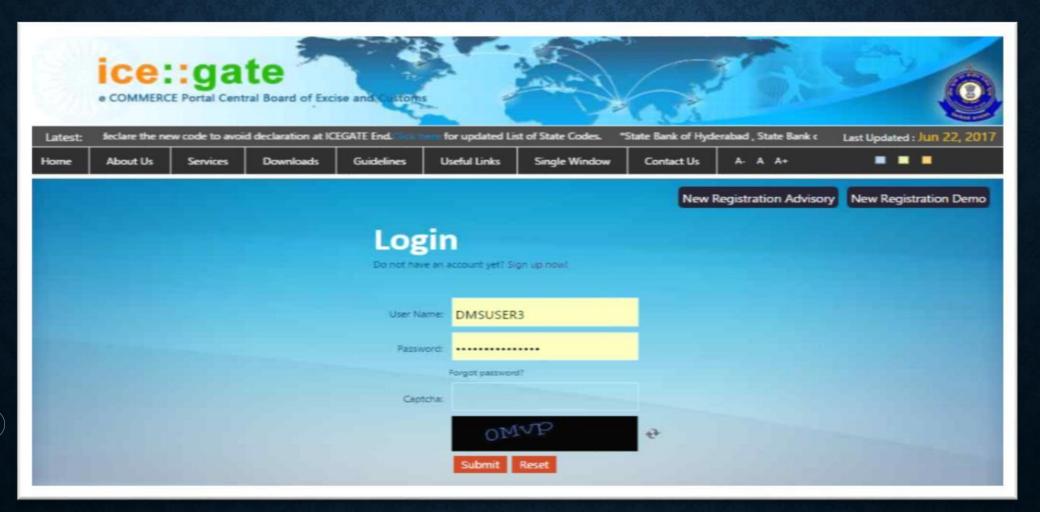




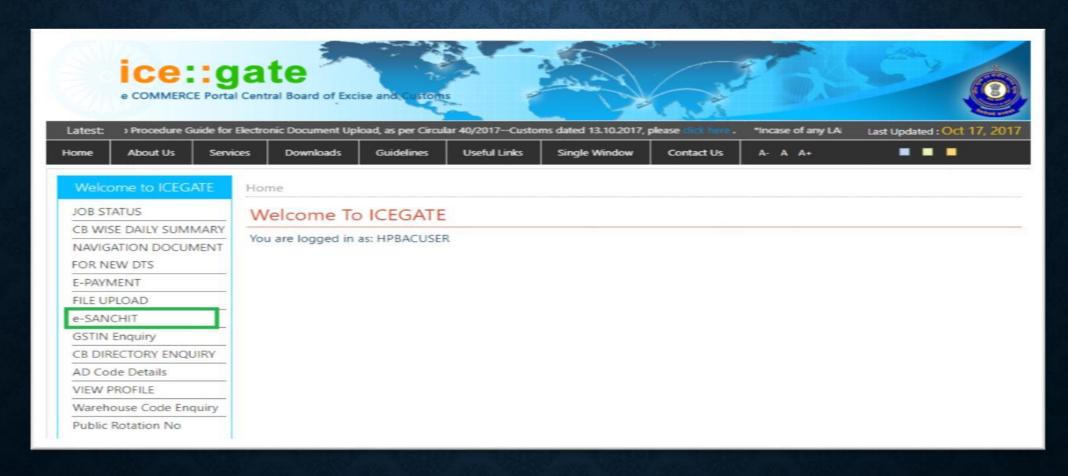




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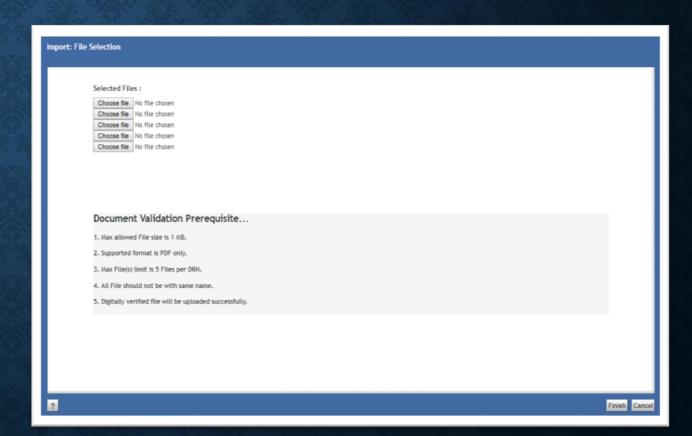


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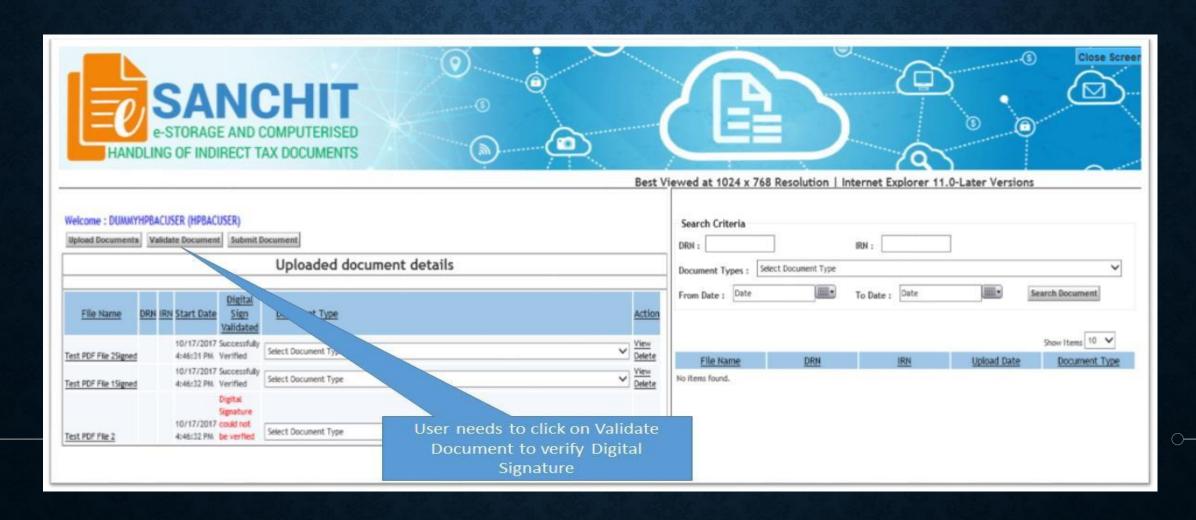


Upload the Documents.





Validate the uploaded documents using digital signature



Submit the documents using the category from the drop down menu. Upto 5 docs



E-SANCHIT PROCESS.. Uploading & Submitting Drop down menu and codes

001000	Certificate of analysis	Certificate providing the values of an analysis.
0010DC	Certificate of analysis - Drug	Certificate attesting to the quality or purity of the goods.
	Certificate of Analysis - Food & Supplement	Certificate by an accredited by a laboratory recognized in the Country of Origin providing the parameters and values of an analysis of a food product.
001002	Lab analysis Report	Certificate providing the values of an analysis of a sample by a laboratory.
001003	Blood Analysis Report	Certificate providing the values of an analysis of a sample of blood.
002000	Certificate of conformity	Certificate certifying the conformity to predefined definitions.

Disclaimer acceptance and OK.

Disclaimer

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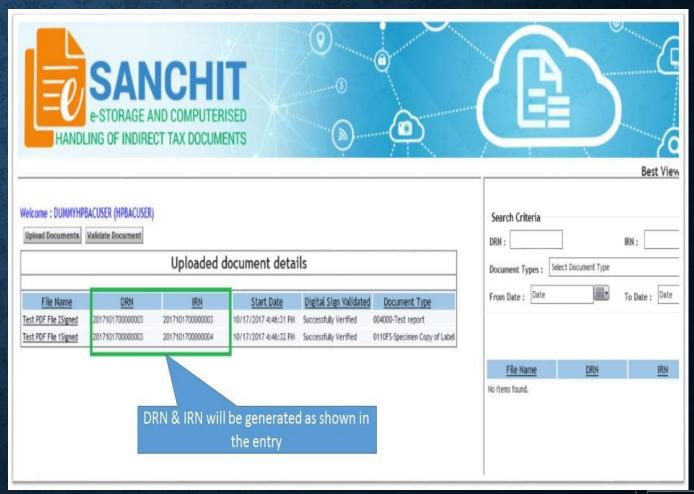
You are responsible for the content and legibility of the document uploaded. You are required to retain the originals, which shall be produced if asked by Customs or other Participating Government Agencies. You may use the uploaded document in connection with the transactions filed on ICEGATE by including the unique number (IRN) in the electronic Bill of Entry, Shipping Bill. If the unique number of an uploaded document is not referenced in the electronic Bill of Entry or Shipping Bill, it shall not be considered by Customs.

Response by e-SANCHIT

Generation of IRN and DRN.

Receive message from ICEGATE.

File BE using the uploaded documents.



E-SANCHIT PROCESS.. Mandatory documents

☐ Packing List / OR as per CBEC	Circular No. 01/15-Customs	dated 12/01/2015	Commercia
☐ Commercial Invoice			
∃ Bill of Lading / Airway Bill			
DGF1 notification No. 06/2015-2020	dated 4th June 2015 Le.		

Invoice cum Packing List would also be accepted.

Other than above, supporting documents to be uploaded will depend on the commodity imported, notification claimed and Participating Government Agency (PGA) requirement. The Compulsory Compliance Requirements provide information on the Supporting documents required for different items in the Bill of Entry, which may be viewed online.

WHAT IS DIRECT PORT DELIVERY & WHO ARE ELIGIBLE?

- DPD facility helps importer to take delivery of Imported Containers directly from the port instead of moving through the CFS.
- DPD facility will help to save COST and TIME in taking delivery of Imported containers.

- All AEO importers and List of 430 clients annexed in Facility circular 22/2017 dt 1/11/2017 are eligible
- Any other manufacturer importer who intends to avail DPD facility can apply online in DPD portal and obtain e-Letter of permission online.

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DIRECT PORT DELIVERY WORK FLOW

- DPD Importer can take DPD through any of the two modes as per their requirement
 - (i) DPDDPD Importer engages own transport and takes delivery from port
 - (ii) DPD/CFS- Importer engages CFS transport and takes delivery from port.

- DPD Importer shall provide Advance intimation to Shipping line 48 hours before arrival of the vessel on the preferred DPD mode ie DPDDPD or DPD/CFS •
- DPD Importer may provide this advance intimation via email or through advance intimation module available in DPD portal via Importer login.

DPD WORKFLOW & PROCESS

 How do I ensure that shipping line has marked my container as DPD?

Download the concerned Vessel IAL document from 'IAL View' from DPD portal and check Stacking code(DPDDPD or DPD CFS) against their container numbers.

- What is my responsibility as an importer?
- DPD Importer/CHA should provide Advance intimation for DPDDPD mode, to shipping line.
- 2. DPD Importer/CHA has to Advance B/E and obtain OOC from 24x7 DPD cell and E-DO from shipping line and submit it to port terminals within 48 hours to take delivery.

DPD WORKFLOW

- DPD Importer/CHA should provide Advance intimation for DPD/CFS mode, to shipping line.
- For those DPD importers, who does not provide advance intimation, Shipping lines are legally bound to mark their containers to DPDDPD by default.
- DPD Importer/CHA has to file advance B/E and obtain OOC from 24x7 DPD cell before containers exit the port gate. E-DO will be verified by concerned CFS who provides DPD logistics

- In case BE is selected for PGA sampling-
- In case of DPDDPD, Importer can file Home consumption B/E and get PGA sampling at port terminals.
- After sampling, a No use bond can be submitted to DPD cell and OOC obtained and clear your containers to factory.
- In case of DPD/CFS, Importer can follow the same abovesaid procedure or Importer can move it to CFS warehouse and get PGA sampling done and take delivery to factory, after execution of a No use bond. 4/11/2019

DPD WORK FLOW

- Cases where DPD importer can execute No Use Bond.
- No Use Bond can be executed by Importer for taking DPD in three cases. (i) B/E is NON RMS with some containers Selected for examination (ii) If some containers are selected for scanning
- (iii) If B/E is selected for PGA sampling
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- In case the DPD container is not cleared within 48 hours.
- It would be ENBLOCKED to preferred CFS given by Importer during online registration.
- If importer has not registered or not mentioned the preferred CFS, it would be ENBLOCKED to designated CFS.

DPD

Original Documents:

- DPD cell officers will not insist for
- (i) Original B/L
- (ii) Copy of Delivery order
- (iii) Original of FTA certificate (Self certified copies of FTA is accepted and originals has to be submitted within 15 days.
- (iv) any copy of Terminal discharge report

<u>INFO</u>

- All DPD related Facility circulars /Soft copy of No Use Bond/ List of DPD clients can be downloaded from www.dpdchennaicustoms.in.
- For any further assistance, contact DC(DPD) mramesh.irs@gov.in 044-25254213 or Supt(DPD) 044-252544663dpdrms@gmail.com

DIRECT PORT ENTRY

- Factory stuffed export containers were moved to 24*7 CFS.
- Factory stuffed, self-sealed containers would be extended DPE facility at CWC Thiruvottiyur. 24*7.
- LEO and Allowed for Shipment would be granted at CWC.
- Tamper proof hologram to be affixed on the SB and GP.
- RFID tags to be fixed on the trucks

- No further verification of e-seals.
- Dedicated queue for DPE.
- Once LEO and AFS are given Form-13
 would also be endorsed at the CWC.
- In case of discrepancy, container examination in 'O' Yard.
- Containers selected for scanning.
- Initially for 50 but now to all.

TURANT CUSTOMS

- The importers or their authorised persons would be able to themselves register the goods online on the ICEGATE web portal after the goods have arrived.
- Customs Compliance Verification- would operate once the importer registers the imported goods and while duty has not been paid or in the process of payment.
- The Proper Officer would carry out all the verifications as mandated under Sec 17/18 and Sec 47(1) of the Customs Act, 1962.
- On satisfying that the goods are ready for clearance but for payment of duty, the Officer shall confirm the completion of the CCV.
- On completion of payment of duty, Customs automated system would grant clearance.
- Obviating the necessity to present the BE, automating queue. RMS BE too take automatic queue.

- "A system that allows traders to lodge information with a single body to fulfil all import or export related regulatory requirements". And further..
- 30 agencies besides Customs involved in foreign trade- DGFT, Port/Airport, RBI, Drug Controller Plant and Animal Quarantine, Food Safety and Standards authority, Textile Committee etc.
- Customs is required to enforce provisions of more than 30 allied Acts-NDPS Act, Foreign Trade Development and Regulation Act 1992, Wild Life Protection Act, Arms Act, The Prevention of Food Adulteration Act 1954 etc.
- Limited harmony among these agencies and delay and mis-use of NOC.

- Department of Plant Protection,
- Quarantine and Storage (DPPQ&S),
- Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI),
- Drug Controller (CDSCO),
- Animal Quarantine (AQCS),
- Wild Life Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) and
- Textile Committee.

- Integrated Declaration in ICEGATE.
- More than 50% of the data required by PGAs common with BE.
- Integrated Declaration a set of standardized and rationalized data leading to 60% reduction in the number of fields.

- Integrated Declaration would replace 9 different Forms-
- Customs Bill of Entry,
- Customs valuation declaration,
- Application for import of livestock products,
- Application for import of pet animals/aquatic/other animals, birds and poultry (chicks),
- Application for quarantine inspection and clearance of imported plants/plant products,
- ADC Drug sheet for import (Appendix II),
- Additional ADC Sheet for drug category and composition,
- Application for post shipment examination by the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, and
- Application form for NOC from FSSAI for food items imported into India.

- Based on the CTH of the item proposed to be imported or exported, the user would need to check the CTH-PGA mapping provided at Page 70 of the "SWIFT PGA Filing Quick Referencer Version 1.5". For example- for CTH 30039034 (Anaesthetic agents used human or veterinary medicine or surgery) has been mapped to both AQCS and CD DRUG.
- List of exemption items are made available to the users in the **Referencer V 1.5**. So the user has to see whether the product is covered in the PGA Exception Category (PEC). The list of such items are listed at Page 35 of the **Referencer V 1.5**. For example, "2-Pentanone" is under the exception category and does not require NOC.

- ICES would transmit the BE online to the PGA after selecting the same on risk based criteria.
- Electronic transmission of Release Order
- Out of Charge (OOC) after RO is received from the agency concerned for all the items.
 There are 6 types of ROs provided by the PGAs to the ICES, as follows:
- (a) Release goods can be released by the Customs.
- (b) Destruction goods to be destructed by the Customs.
- (c) Deportation goods to be exported back to the Country of Origin.
- (d) No Objection Certificate (NOC)- goods can be released by the Customs.
- (e) NCC (Non-compliance Certificate) non-rectifiable defects observed in the goods.
- (f) Product Out of scope goods are out of scope for FSSAI/PQIS.

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Thank you

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