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## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF FOREIGN TRADE PUBLIC NOTICE No. 09/2015-20 Dated: 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

**Subject**: Marking of Y in the EDI generated Shipping Bills by Exporters would be treated as declaration of intent to claim MEIS benefit

In exercise of powers conferred under paragraph 2.04 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20, Director General of Foreign Trade, hereby makes the following amendments in Paragraph 3.14(a) of the Handbook of Procedures 2015-20:

## **Existing Paragraph**

Paragraph 3.14: Declaration of Intent on shipping bills for claiming rewards under MEIS including export of goods through courier or foreign post offices using e-Commerce

(a) Export shipments filed under all categories of the Shipping Bills would need the following declaration on the Shipping Bills in order to be eligible for claiming rewards under MEIS: "We intend to claim rewards under Merchandise Exports From India Scheme (MEIS)". Such declaration shall be required even for export shipments under any of the schemes of Chapter 4 (including drawback), Chapter 5 or Chapter 6 of FTP. In the case of shipping bills (other than free shipping bills), such declaration of intent shall be mandatory with effect from 1st June 2015

## **Amended Paragraph:**

Paragraph 3.14: Procedure for Declaration of Intent on EDI and Non EDI shipping bills for claiming rewards under MEIS including export of goods through courier or foreign post offices using e-Commerce

(a) (i) EDI Shipping Bills: Marking/ ticking of "Y' (for Yes) in "Reward" column of shipping bills against each item, which is mandatory, would be sufficient to declare intent to claim rewards under the scheme. In case the exporter does not intend to claim the benefit of reward under Chapter 3 of FTP exporter shall tick "N' (for No). Such

marking/ticking shall be required even for export shipments under any of the schemes of Chapter 4 (including drawback), Chapter 5 or Chapter 6 of FTP

(ii) Non-EDI Shipping Bills: In the case of non-EDI Shipping Bills, Export shipments would need the following declaration on the Shipping Bills in order to be eligible for claiming rewards under MEIS: "We intend to claim rewards under Merchandise Exports From India Scheme (MEIS)". Such declaration shall be required even for export shipments under any of the schemes of Chapter 4 (including drawback), Chapter 5 or Chapter 6 of FTP.

**Effect of this Public Notice**: The procedure for declaration of intent in Paragraph 3.14(a) of the Handbook of Procedures 2015-20 for EDI is simplified. The marking of tick in pursuance of the earlier Public Notice No.47, dated 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 shall be treated as declaration of intent in case of EDI shipping bills. The marking of tick in the appropriate tick boxes are mandatory in EDI shipping bills.

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