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Subject: EGM filing within time limit.

All Airlines, Exporters/CHAs and other stakeholders are herby informed that in accordance with the provision of Section 41 of Customs Act, 1962 airlines are required to file EGM within 24 hours of departure of aircraft carrying export goods. Airlines are requested to deliver EGM both manually to the proper office and electronically through Service Center or ICE-Gate.

It has been found that in respect of large number of shipping bills under claim for drawback, EGMs have not been filed or filed with error. The average time taken for filing of EGM is 10-12 days. This delays the transmission of the shipping bill on to the DGFT site, thereby in turn adversely impacting disbursal of export incentives. Sanction of drawback claims is also held up for want of EGM. The airlines have been time and again directed to speedily file all such pending EGMs. Despite the same, a large number of EGMs have still not been filed.

Further, in respect of a large number of shipping bills, EGMs have been fed with wrong number of packages causing mismatch thereof. On account of non-filing or erroneous filing of EGMs, all claims for grant of export incentives cannot be processed.

Thirdly in case of Cargo Transfer Manifest, the responsibility for proper EGM filing is of both the concerned airlines i.e. the airline whose airwaybill is used and that of the airline actually carrying the goods. However the primary responsibility for the filing of the EGM lies with the airline issuing the airway bill.

In view of the aforesaid issues, all airlines are directed to ensure timely and error free submission of EGM and/or EGM-GATE as mandated in law. All airlines are required to ensure strict compliance of the statutory provisions and the contents of this Public Notice for a hassle and hinder free operation. Failure to do could invite strict penal action including closure of operational (gate) facility at Air Cargo Exports.

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