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### No. AT-IX/Acq/Level Playing

Date :- 09-06-2015

To, All PCsDA/CsDA/PIFAs/IFAs PCOA(Fys) Kolkata/CsFA(Fys)

### Subject:-Level Playing Field for private sector manufacturers' vis-a-vis DPSUs/OFB

Please find enclosed copy of Ministry of Defence I.D. No.9(46)/2014/Level Playing Field Pvt. Sector(Taxes)/DP (Plg.V) dated 27.05.2015 on the above subject for your information, guidance and necessary action please.

This has the approval of Jt.CGDA.

(M.P.S.Pundir) Sr.A. O.

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1.EDP Section (local) with a request to upload the same on CGDA website. 2.IFA Section(Local) For information and dissemination to lower level IFAs.

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M.FCAR (ARS) In order to remove anomalies in the structure of excise duties / custom duties for private sector manufacturers' vis-à-vis DPSUs/OFB, the Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue has issued a No.29/2015-Customs dated  $30^{\text{th}}$ Notification April 2015 and 23/5 Notification No. 23/2015–Central Excise dated 30<sup>th</sup> April 2015 (copies attached) vide which the excise duty exemptions available to Ordnance Factories and Defence Public Sector Undertakings have been withdrawn and the exemptions from CVD (Counterveiling Duty), SAD (Special Additional Duty) has also been withdrawn for DPSUs and OFB and primary contractors of the Ministry of Defence. However, the exemptions from Basic Custom Duty (BCD) would continue. The direct import by the Ministry of Defence would also continue to be exempt from BCD, SAD and CVD. These notifications are effective from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015.

2. The above changes in the taxes/duty structure would require certain changes in the Defence Procurement Policy (DPP) and Defence Procurement Manual (DPM) so as to prevent the occurrence of "inverted" duty structure. For example, under Appendix 'G' (Page 113 of DPP 2013), under 'Buy Indian' and 'Buy & Make Indian' cases, L-1 bidder is determined on the basis of quoted cost of the items except excise duties but taking into account other levies/taxes/duties payable to Central/State/Local Governments. This may require a change as "I-1 is determined on the basis of quoted cost except excise duty and all other levies/taxes/duties payable to Central/State /Local Government". Similar changes may also be required in DPM so that L-1 bids are determined by excluding all taxes and duties payable to Central/State/Local Government. MoD (Finance) may initiate proposals for making necessary changes in DPP/DPM accordingly.

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3. Hon'ble RM has also directed that the CGDA / MoD (Finance) may also keep the data of the additional cost incurred by the Ministry of Defence due to the issuance of the above notifications and send the details to the Ministry of Finance month-wise.

4. This has the approval of Secretary (Defence Production).

Encl: as above

(**Sanjay Garg**), Joint Secretary (DIP) Tel: 23015505 Fax: 23015744

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MoD I.D. No. 9(46)/2014/Level Playing Field Pvt. Sector (Taxes)/DP (Plg.V) dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 2015

### F. No. 354/140/2013-TRU Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Revenue Tax Research Unit \*\*\*\*

Room No. 153, North Block New Delhi, the 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2015

#### Office Memorandum

# Subject: Providing level playing field to private sector manufacturers vis-à-vis defence PSUs (DPSUs) and Ordnance Factories - regarding.

Kindly refer to letter D.O. No./SDP/2015 dated 17.2.2015 from Secretary (Defence Production) addressed to Revenue Secretary on the aforesaid subject.

2. In this context, it is to inform that notification No.39/96-Customs dated 23.7.1996 has been amended vide notification No. 29/2015-Customs dated 30.4.2015 so as to withdraw the exemption from additional duty of customs levied under section 3 of the Customs Tariff Act (both CVD and SAD) in respect of certain entries relating to defence supplies where there is no corresponding excise duty exemption. Exemption from Basic Customs Duty in respect of these entries, however, would continue. Further, as discussed exemption from Basic Customs Duty, CVD and SAD in respect of direct imports by the Government of India and the State Governments would continue.

3. Notification No.62/95-Central Excise and No.63/95-Central Excise, both dated 16.3.2015, have been amended vide notification No. 23/2015-Central Excise dated 30.4.2015 to withdraw the excise duty exemption presently available to Ordnance Factories and Defence PSUs.

4. The aforesaid changes will be effective from 01.06.2015. Copies of both the amending notifications are enclosed alongwith for ready reference. In case of need for any clarification, the Department of Defence Production may revert back to this office.

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(Himanshu Raina) Technical Officer (TRU-I)

Shri. Sanjay Garg Joint Secretary Department of Defence Production South Block New Delhi.

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# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE)

New Delhi, the 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2015

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### Notification No. 29/2015-Customs

G.S.R. .- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962), the Central Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby makes the following further amendments in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), No. 39/96-Customs, dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 1996, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, vide number G.S.R. 291(E), dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 1996, namely:-

In the said notification,-

(A) in the TABLE,-

(i) against S. No. 9, in column (3), the words "or by a person authorised by that Government, or shipped on the order of a Department of that Government and appropriated to such order at the time of shipment" shall be omitted;

(ii) after S. No. 9 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and the entries shall be inserted, namely:-

| "9A. |  | If imported by a person authorised by the    |  |
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|      | construction of, or fitment to, ships of | Government of India, or shipped on the order |  |
|      | Indian Navy or Coast Guard:-             | of a Department of that Government and       |  |
|      | , i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i  | appropriated to such order at the time of    |  |
|      | (i) machinery, equipment,                |  |  |
|      | components and raw materials;            |  |  |
|      |  |  |  |
|      | (ii) spares and test equipment for       |  |  |
|      | maintenance, testing and tuning of       |  |  |
|      | imported equipment;                      |  |  |
|      |  |  |  |
|      | (iii) parts required for manufacture of  |  |  |
|      | indigenous equipment by Indian           |  |  |
|      | suppliers for supply to Indian Navy or   |  |  |
|      | Coast Guard.                             | · · · ·                                      |  |

(iii) against S. No. 10, for the entry in column (3), the entry "If the said goods are imported by the Government of India or State Governments." shall be substituted;

(iv) after S. No. 10 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and the entries shall be inserted, namely:-

|   | "10A. | (i) Aircrafts, aircrafts parts, aircraft<br>engines and aircraft engine parts; | If,-<br>(a) the said goods are imported by the<br>contractors of the Government of India, Public |
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|   |       | (ii) Production tooling including jigs,  | Sector Undertakings of the Central   |
|   |       | tools, fixtures, tools and gauges,   | Government or the State Governments and the  |
|   |       | ground support equipments,   | sub-contractors of such Public Sector  |
|   |       | test/measuring equipments, scientific  | Undertakings; and  |
|   |       | and technical instruments, apparatus<br>and equipments including spare parts   | (b) in the case of imports by contractors or   |
|   |       | and components thereof, consumables;   | sub-contractors or Public Sector Undertakings<br>referred above, the importer furnishes at the   |
|   |       | (iii) Arms, ammunition and military  | time of import a duty exemption certificate  |
|   |       | stores;  | showing :-   |
|   |       |  |  |
|   |       | (iv) Tools and gauges which are for  | (1) the details of the purchase order placed by  |
|   |       | use only with ammunition and explosives of service use; ammunition             | the Ministry of Defence or Ministry of Home<br>Affairs, as the case may be on the contractors    |
|   |       | chemicals; electric detonators; fire   | or sub-contractors and on the said Public  |
|   |       | directing and fire control instruments   | Sector Undertakings and the quantity of the  |
|   |       | such as range finders, predictors,   | items required to be imported to execute the   |
|   |       | platters, computers; sight dial; signal  | said order; and  |
|   |       | equipment including wireless<br>equipment and component parts                  | (2) the details of the purchase order  |
|   |       | thereof, used exclusively  | placed by the said contractors or sub-   |
|   |       | by the defence services; test  | contractors or the said Public Sector  |
|   |       | equipment for radars for service use;  | Undertakings, on their foreign suppliers   |
|   | ж.    | military bridging stores and equipment;<br>ASDIC and ECHO sounding             | indicating the description and quantity of the items.  |
| ľ |       | equipment; specialised cameras for Air   | items .  |
|   |       | Force use; mines sweeping gear and   | Explanation  |
|   |       | parachutes;  | (i) in the case of imports by contractors of   |
|   |       | (v) Podova tomodoca concercata   | the Government of India, who are contractors   |
|   |       | (v) Radars, torpedoes, sonar sets,<br>mine laying gear, diving equipment       | of Research and Development Laboratories or<br>Establishments under the Ministry of Defence,     |
|   |       | and their spares, accessories, jigs, tools,                                    | the certificate shall be signed by the Chief   |
|   |       | testing equipment and components;  | Controller of Research and Development (R)   |
|   |       |  | of the said Laboratories or Establishments;  |
|   | 1     | (vi) Spare parts, accessories, jigs,   |  |
|   |       | tools, testing equipment, components, special raw materials and half wroughts  | (ii) in the case of imports by Public Sector<br>Undertakings of the Central Government           |
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|   | like steel forgings and castings, to be    | under the Ministry of Defence, the certificate  |
|   | processed into finished components for     | shall be signed by the functional Director of   |
|   | armoured and specialised vehicles          | such Undertaking; and   |
|   | peculiar to the defence services;          | (iii) in other argae where a contificate is to be   |
|   | (vii)Guided weapons and their              | (iii) in other cases where a certificate is to be furnished by the importer at the time of import |
|   | (vii)Guided weapons and their accessories: | in terms of condition (b) above, the certificate  |
|   |  | shall be signed by an officer not below the   |
|   | (viii) Components, spares, jigs,           | rank of a Joint Secretary to the Government of  |
|   | fixtures, tools, dies, moulds and test     | India, in the Ministry of Defence or Ministry   |
|   | equipment required for the                 | of Home Affairs, as the case may be.".  |
|   | manufacture and testing of guided          |   |
|   | weapons and their accessories;             |   |
|   |  |   |
|   | (ix) Raw material and special              |   |
|   | materials required for the manufacture     |   |
|   | of guided weapons and their accessories;   |   |
|   |  |   |
|   | (x) Rock drills and breakers;              |   |
|   | (i) recon armo and breakers,               |   |
|   | (xi) All types of ground support           |   |
|   | equipment for guided weapons and           |   |
|   | their accessories.                         | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·   |

(B) in paragraph 2, after item (viii) and the entries relating thereto, the following items and entries shall be inserted, namely:-

" (ix) All goods falling under S. No. 7, 9A, 10A, 18, 21, 23, 26, 27, 28 and 36 of the TABLE above.".

2. This notification shall come into force with effect from the  $1^{st}$  day of June, 2015.

[F.No. 334/5/2015-TRU]

Akshay Joshi)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Note:- The principal notification No.39/96-Customs, dated the 23rd July, 1996 was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part-II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R. 291 (E), dated the 23rd July, 1996 and last amended vide notification No. 26/2015-Customs dated the 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2015, published in Gazette of India, Extraordinary part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R.276 (E), dated the 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2015.

Note.-

- The principal notification No. 62/95-Central Excise, dated the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1995, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, vide number G.S.R. 254(E), dated the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1995, was last amended vide notification No. 42/2011-Central Excise, dated 30<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 published vide number G.S.R. 937(E), dated 30<sup>th</sup> December, 2011.
- 2. The principal notification No. 63/95-Central Excise, dated the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1995 was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, vide number G.S.R.255(E), dated the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1995, and was last amended by notification No. 29/2011-Central Excise, dated the 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 published vide number G.S.R. 241(E), dated the 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2011.

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## Government of India Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue)

New Delhi, the 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2015

### Notification No.23/2015 – Central Excise

G.S.R. (E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 5A of the Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944) read with sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Additional Duties of Excise (Goods of Special Importance) Act, 1957 (58 of 1957), the Central Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby directs that each of the notifications of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), specified in column (2) of the Table hereto annexed shall be further amended, in the manner specified in the corresponding entry in column (3) of the said Table, namely :-

|        |                              | Table   |
|--------|------------------------------|---|
| S. No. | Notification                 | Amendments  |
|        | number and                   |   |
|        | date                         |   |
| (1)    | (2)                          | (3)   |
| 1.     | 62/1995-Central              | In the said notification, in the TABLE, -                       |
|        | Excise, dated the            | (i) S.No. 1 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted;  |
|        | 16 <sup>th</sup> March, 1995 | (ii) S.No. 6 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted. |
|        | [G.S.R. 254(E),              |   |
|        | dated the 16 <sup>th</sup>   |   |
|        | March, 1995]                 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                           |
| 2.     | 63/1995-Central              | In the said notification, in the TABLE, -                       |
|        | Excise, dated the            | (i) S.No. 2 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted;  |
|        | 16 <sup>th</sup> March, 1995 | (ii) S.No.16 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted. |
|        | [G.S.R.255(E),               |   |
|        | dated the                    |   |
|        | 16 <sup>th</sup> March,      |   |
|        | 1995]                        |   |

2. This notification shall come into force with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2015.

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