Mandatory declaration of GSTIN, IEC and email address of importer in the Bills of Lading



Dear All.

Please be advised that the Commissioner of Customs, Nhava sheva has issued a public notification dated March 7, 2018 which states that shipping lines should capture basic information of the importer in India on the Bill of Lading. Effective date for this is April 1, 2018 i.e. all Bills of Lading issued on or after April 1, 2018 should contain these details.

In order to ensure that such basic details of importers in India are captured by Shipping Lines at the time of booking of such consignments at the stage of Bill of lading and to further speed up the import declaration processing and clearance it has been decided that ,Importers are required to ensure that the following basic details are informed to their exporters abroad so that these details are incorporated in the bills of lading issued at the time of booking such consignments

- 1.Import and Export code(IEC of Importer)
- 2.GST identification number(GSTIN of importer)
- 3. Official email ID of importer(to be used for correspondence for shipping lines and Customs)

Kindly inform your customers accordingly

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