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आदेश की दिनाँक / Date of Order: 💁 .06.2020 जारी करने की दिनाँक / Date of Issue: 🗘 .06.2020

पारित कर्तां / Passed by: - श्री डॉ. राजू पवार / SHREE Dr. RAJU PAWAR सहायक आयुक्त/Assistant Commissioner, सीमा शुरूक सदम,कांडला/ Customs House,Kandla. Solo (EDL)

आदेश में मृत सं/ ORDER-IN- ORIGINAL NO: KDL/AC/RRP / 13 /Ref/2020-2021

जिसके लिये यह प्रतिलिपि जारी की जाती है उस व्यक्ति के उपयोग के लिए यह निः शुल्क दी जाती है।
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2. इस आदेश के विरुद्ध अपील सीमा शुल्क अधिनियम-1962 की धारा-128 के तहत उक्त अपील की प्रति के साथ, आयुक्त के कार्यालय 7 वीं मंजिल मृदुल टॉवर, टाइम्स ऑफ इंडिया बिल्डिंग के पास, आश्रम रोड, अहमदाबाद, गुजरात 380009 में इस आदेश के जारी होने की तिथि से साठ दिनों के भीतर दायर की जानी घाडिए।

An appeal against this order lies with the Commissioner (Appeals), having office at 7th floor, Mridual Tower, Near Times of India Building, Ashram Road, Ahmedabad, Gujarat – 380 009 in terms of section 128 of the Customs Act, 1962. It should be filed within sixty days from the date of communication of this order.

3. यह अपील सीमा शुल्क नियमावली-1982 के नियम-3 के उपनियम-(2) में निर्दिष्ट व्यक्ति द्वारा हस्ताक्षरित निर्धारित प्रारूप में दायर किया जाना चाहिए। उक्त अपील को दो प्रतियों में दाखिल किया जाए तथा जिस आदेश के विरुद्ध अपील की गई हो, उसकी भी उतनी ही प्रतियां संलग्न की जाएँ (उनमें से कम से कम एक प्रति प्रमाणित होनी चाहिए) । संबन्धित सभी दस्तावेज चार प्रतियों में भेजे जाने चाहिए। उक्त अपील, अपील के उचित समय और दिनांक को कमिश्नर (अपील) कार्यालय, अहमदाबाद में व्यक्तिगत रूप से प्रस्तुत किया जाए।

An appeal should be filed in format prescribed. It shall be signed by the person specified in sub-rule (2) of rule 3 of the Customs Appeals Rules, 1982. It shall be filed in duplicate and shall be accompanied by an equal number of copies of the order appealed against (one of which at least shall be certified copy). All supporting documents should be forwarded in quadruplicate. The appeal shall be presented in person to the office of the Commissioner (Appeals), Ahmedabad, but the date of receipt in the office will be relevant date of appeal whether in time or not.

4. अनुसूची-1 में न्यायालय शुल्क अधिनियम, 1870 के मद सं 6 के तहत इस आदेश की प्रतिलिपि साथ निर्धारित 5/- रुपए का स्टाम्प कोर्ट फीस के रूप में वहन करना चाहिए।

The copy of this order attached herein should bear a Court Fee Stamp of Rs. 5/-(Rupees five only) as prescribed under schedule-I, item 6 of the Court Fees Act, 1870.

5. उक्त अपील पर 5/- (पाँच रुपये मात्र) का न्यायशुल्क टिकट लगा होना चाहिए तथा इसके साथ उक्त अपील की एक प्रति और इस आदेश की यह प्रति अथवा कोई अन्य प्रति जिस पर 5/- (पाँच रुपये मात्र) का न्यायशुल्क टिकट अवश्य लगा हो संलग्न की जाये ।

The appeal should bear a court fee stamp of Rs.5.00 (Rupees five only) and it must be accompanied by A copy of appeal and this copy or any other copy of this order which must bear a court fee stamp of Rs. 5.00 (Rupees five only).

6. यदि कोई व्यक्ति इस आदेश के विरूद्ध अपील करना चाहता है तो, उक्त अपील में मांगा गया शुल्क अथवा उस पर लगायी गयी शास्ति जमा करने और उक्त अपील के साथ ऐसे भुगतान का सब्त प्रस्तुत करने पर विचाराधीन रहेगी, ऐसे करने में असफल होने पर उक्त अपील सीमा शुल्क अधिनियम-1962 की धारा-128 के प्रावधानों के गैर अन्पालन करने के लिए अस्वीकृत किए जाने योग्य होगी।

Any person desirous of appealing against his decision or order shall pending the appeal, deposit the duty demanded or the penalty levied therein and produce proof of such payment along with the appeal failing which the appeal is liable to be rejected for non compliance of the provisions of Section 128 of the Customs Act, 1962.

Sub: Refund claim dated 08.12.2010 for Rs. 2,43,251/- (Rupees Two Lakh Forty Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty One Only) filed by M/s. R.B. PATEL 14, S.P. Timber Market, Zone-3, Latibazar, Gitamandir, Ahmedabad Gujarat, India.

Brief facts of the case:

- (1) M/s. R.B. PATEL 14, S.P. Timber Market , Zone-3 , Latibazar , Gitamandir , Ahmedabad Gujarat, India. (hereinafter referred to as "the claimant") have filed a refund claim of Rs.2,43,251/- (Rupees Two Lakh Forty Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty One Only) vide letter dated 01.10.2010 received on 08.12.2010. The claimant has claimed the refund of 4% SAD paid by them at the time of importation. The refund claim is filed on the basis of the exemption as granted vide Notification No.102/2007-Cus. dated 14.09.2007. The claimant have been issued deficiency memo 30.03.2011 & 12.02.2020 and in the response of same , the claimant have submitted their reply along with all required documents vide their letter dated 12/05/2020 (received in this office on 19/05/2020) Accordingly the claim have been taken for processing. The refund claim is filed under Section 27 of the Customs Act,1962.
- (2) The claimant has filed a refund claim along with following documents.
 - I) Triplicate copy of in original TR-6 Challans evidencing the payment of all custom duty and Duplicate copy (in Original) of B/Es showing the import of Qty. 290.390 CBM by the claimant as detailed below.

Sr No	B/E No. & Date	TR-6 No. & Date	Imp. Qty (in CBM)	Total 4% SAD Paid	Total Duty Paid (Rs.)
1	325045/ 07.01.10	20216458/ 11.01.2010	22.010	16668.60	55582.00
2	325889/ 12.01.10	20217025/ 13.01.2010	25.440	22203.90	74040.00
3	326880/ 19.01.10	20217698/ 25.01.2010	69.590	58541.30	195208.00
4	326882/ 19.01.10	20217700/ 25.01.2010	50.770	42712.70	142427.00
5	326881/ 19.01.10	20217699/ 25.01.2010	16.410	13803.50	46028.00
5	328027/ 28.01.10	20218415/ 30.01.2010	23.490	19760.00	65891.00
7	328026/ 28.01.10	20218414/ 30.01.2010	25.610	21547.80	71852.00
	328028/ 28.01.10	20218416/ 30.01.2010	57.070	48013.00	160101.00
	Tota		290.390	243250.8	811129

- II) Copies of Sale invoice as evidence of sale of the imported goods to the buyers with an endorsement that "No credit of the SAD duty levied under sub-section 5 of section 3 of the Customs shall be admissible" as required under Para 2(b) of the exemption Notification No.102/2007. Other details like B/E No, VAT payable is reflected in the sale Invoices.
- III) Worksheet showing the details of import made under above B/E and sales affected there under.

IV) Copies of VAT /CST challan evidencing VAT/CST payment, as shown in below mentioned table -

Sr No	Vat paid	VAT paid through adj. of ITC	Total VAT paid (Rs.)	CST paid	CST paid through adj. of ITC	Total CST paid (Rs)	Period
1	1398605	0	1398605	45833	0	45833	Jan-2010
2	993003	0	993003	54057	0	54057	Feb-2010

- V) Undertaking from the claimant that the 4% SAD has not been passed on by them to buyer/any other person.
- VI) Declaration regarding the appointment of Chartered Accountant M/s. H. PATEL & ASSOCIATES., for the financial year 2009-2010 & 2010-2011.

VII) Copy of Ledger Account of 4% SAD refundable, VAT/CST and certificate issued by the Chartered Accountant showing the amount of SAD receivable under the Head SAD refund receivable.

VIII) Declaration regarding filing of single claim in a month of December

2010.

IX) C.A. Certificate certifying co-relation between VAT/CST payment and sale invoice and burden of 4% SAD has not passed on to buyer or any other person.

- As per Notification No.102/2007-Cus. Dated 14.09.2007, the exemption contained in this notification shall be given effect, if the conditions, as stipulated in the said notification are fulfilled. The conditions are that the importer of the said goods shall pay all duties, including the said additional duty of customs leviable thereon, as applicable, at the time of importation of the goods; the importer, while issuing the invoice for sale of the goods, shall specifically indicate in the invoice that in respect of the goods covered therein, no credit of the additional duty of customs levied under Sub-section (5) of Section 3 of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 shall be admissible; the importer shall file a claim for refund of the said additional duty of customs paid on the imported goods with the jurisdictional customs officer; the importer shall pay on sale of the said goods appropriate sales tax or value added tax, as the case may be. Further, as per Para 2(e), the importer at the time of claiming of the refund shall, inter alia, provide copies of the documents evidencing the payment of the said additional duty; the invoice of sale of the imported goods in respect of which refund of the said additional duty is claimed and documents evidencing the payment of appropriate sales tax or value added tax as the case may be, by the importer, on sale of such imported goods.
- (4) The claimant has subsequently sold imported Qty. 271.360 CBM of Teak Wood Square Logs & Teak Rough Square Logs, to the as detailed below.

 B/E No.325045/07.01.2010, Import Qty.22.010 CBM. Sale Invoice Sold Oty Add. Tax Sr No Vat (Rs) CST (Rs.) No. & date (in CBM) (Rs.) TI-208 | 16.01.10 21.020 58029.00 11606.00 0.00 Total Sales Otv 21.020 Short Sales Qty 0.990 Import Qty 22.010 58029.00 11606.00 0.00 (2) B/E No.325889/12.01.2010, Import Qty.25.440 CBM

Sr No	Sale Invoice No. & date		Sold Qty (in CBM)	Vat (Rs)	Add. Tax (Rs.)	CST (Rs.)	
1	TI-210	18.01.10	24.264	59990.00	11998.00	0	
Total Sales Qty			24.264				
Short Sales Qty			1.176				
Import Qty			25.440	59990.00	11998	0	

(3) & (4) B/E No.326880/19.01.2010, 326882/19.01.2010 Import Qty.120.360 CBM

Sale Invoice Sold Qty Add. Tax Sr No Vat (Rs) CST (Rs.) No. & date (in CBM) (Rs.) TI-214 | 28.01.10 14.585 33157 6631 0 2 TI-215 28.01.10 17.868 31629 6326 0 3 RI-64 28.01.10 15.074 0.00 0.00 11751 4 RI-65 28.01.10 22.746 0.00 0.00 10316 5 RI-66 29.01.10 20.958 0.00 0.00 6853 6 RI-70 | 10.02.10 16.568 0.00 0.00 5171 Total Sales Otv 107.799 Short Sales Qty 12.561 Import Oty 120.360 64786.00 12957.00 34091.00

(5)	B/E No.3	26881,19.01	2010 Import Q	tv. 16.410 CE	BM .	The State of the S
	Sr No Sale Invoice No. & date		Sold Qty (in CBM)	Vat (Rs)	Add. Tax (Rs.)	CST (Rs.)
1	TI-220	08.02.10		40886	8177	0
	Total Sa		16.031			
	Short Sa	les Qty	0.379			0
	Impor		16.410	40886	8177	0
(6) B			2010 Import Q	ty.23.490 CE	BM .	
Sr N		Invoice & date	Sold Qty (in CBM)	Vat (Rs)	Add. Tax (Rs.)	CST (Rs.)
1	TI-216	02.02.10	22.187	58174	11635	0
	Total Sal		22.187			
	Short Sa		1.303			
	Import	Otv	23.490	58174	11635	(
7) B	/E No.328	3026/28.01.	2010 Import C	ty.25.610 C	BM.	
Sr No Sale Invoice No. & date		Sold Qty (in CBM)	Vat (Rs)	Add. Tax (Rs.)	CST (Rs.)	
1		02.02.10	24.663	95670	19134	(
	Total Sale	The second of th	24.663			
	Short Sale		0.947			
	Import	Otv	25.610	95670	19134	4
B) B/	E No 328	028/28.01.2	2010 Import C	ty.57.070 C	BM.	
r No	Sale Invoice		Sold Qty (in CBM)	Vat (Rs)	Add. Tax (Rs.)	CST (Rs
1	TI-219	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T	22.193	74912	14982	2
2	TI-221	10.02.10	26.571	58765	1175	3
3	RI-74	24.02.10	6.634	3117	441	0
	otal Sales		55.398			
	hort Sale		1.672			
Import Oty			57.070	136794	3114	5

(5) The said refund claim has been scrutinized in terms of section 27 of the Custom Act, 1962 and it is found that the claim has been received within eligible time limit of one year and all necessary documents as stated above have been furnished.

Findings:

- (6) I have carefully gone through the case record submitted by the claimant and find that the claimant has imported Qty.290.390 CBM of Teak Wood Square Logs & Teak Rough Square Logs and paid duties of customs amounting to Rs. 8,11,129/- inclusive of 4% SAD amounting to Rs. 2,43,251/- under B/Es detailed as in para,s' 2 (i).
- (7) As regards to limitation of filing refund claim within one year from the date of payment of duty or from date of filing, I find, in the present case, this refund claim was filed in this office 08.12.2010, which is within stipulated period of one year from the date of duty payment of Bill of entry I find the claim is not hit by time bar. The claim was scrutinized as per provisions of Section 27 of Customs Act, 1962 and was found in order.
- (8) The claim is not time barred by unjust enrichment since the claimant has submitted a certificate No Nil dated 08.12.2010 of M/s H. PATEL & ASSOCIATES., Chartered Accountant, wherein it is certified that the amount sought as refund has not been passed on by the claimant to any other party, directly or indirectly. As such I find that the claim is not barred by unjust enrichment.
- (9) The sale invoice is endorsed with the remark "No credit of the Additional duty levied under Sub-section (5) of Section 3 of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 shall be admissible".

I find that the claimant has sold 271.362 CBM out of total imported quantity of 290.390 CBM and hereby they have short sold 19.030 CBM of the imported goods. imported goods, as shown in table:

-		Town			Total 4%	4% SAD	Net Eligible
Sr. No.	B/E No. & Date	Imp. Qty.	Qty. in	Short Sold Qty (CBM)	Total 470	on Short Sold	Refund Claim
		in (CBM)			Sad Paid		
1	325045/ 07.01.10	22.010	21.020	0.990	16668.6	749.75	15918.85
2	325889/ 12.01.10	25,440	24.264	1.176	22203.9	1026.41	21177.49
3	326880/ 19.01.10	120.360				10567.06	90686.94
4	326882/ 19.01.10		107.799	12.561	101254.00		
5	326881/ 19.01.10	16.410	16.031	0.379	13803.5	318.80	13484.70
6	328027/ 28.01.10	23.490	22.187	1,303	19760	1096.10	18663.90
7	328026/ 28.01.10	25.610	24.663	0.947	21547.8	796.79	20751.01
8	328028/ 28.01.10	57.070	55.398	1.672	48013.00	1406.65	46606.35
	Total	290.390	271.360	19.030	243250.80	15961.55	227289.25

- (11) I find that the claimant has sold quantity of imported goods i.e. 271.360 CBM out of total imported quantity 290.390 CBM, As per Para-2(d) of Notification No. 102/2007-Cus. Dated 14.09.2007 the importer shall pay on sale of the said goods, appropriate Sales Tax or Value Added Tax, as the case may be and as per Para 4.1 of Circular No. 06/2008-Cus. Dated 28.04.2008, unsold stock would not be eligible for refund. In other words, refund can be granted only for the quantity of imported goods sold on payment of applicable VAT/CST. Accordingly, the claimant is eligible for refund for the quantity sold only, which comes to Rs. 2,27,289/- as per Table above and the claimant has filed refund claim for same amount. The claimant has also given an undertaking that they shall not claim the refund on short sold quantity i.e.19.030 CBM in future also.
- (12) The claimant have been issued deficiency memo 30.03.2011 & 12.02.2020 and in the response of same, the claimant have submitted their reply along with all required documents vide their letter dated 12/05/2020 (received in this office on 19/05/2020) Accordingly the claim have been taken for processing.
- Board has issued Circular No.06/2008 dated 28.04.08, 16/2008 and 18/2010, wherein certain procedures are to be adopted for refund of 4 % SAD. The procedures are outlined as under.
 - (i) The refund claim has to be filed within one year.

(ii) A single claim against a particular B/E has to be filed.

- (iii) C.A. Certificate certifying co-relation between VAT/CST payment and sale invoice and burden of 4% SAD has not passed on to buyer or any other
- (iv) Self certification by the importer with respect to the unjust enrichment.

(v) Copies of VAT/CST challan/returns.

(14) I find that the refund claim is filed within the prescribed time limit and a single claim has been filed against a particular Bill of Entry. The Chartered Accountant, M/s. H.PATEL & ASSOCIATES., AHMEDABAD vide their certificate dated 01.10.2010 has certified that M/s R.B. PATEL 14, S.P. Timber Market , Zone-3, Latibazar, Gitamandir, Ahmedabad Gujarat, India., has made the VAT/CST payment which co-relates with the sale invoices. They have further certified that the burden of 4% SAD has not been passed on to buyer or any other person. The importer has given an undertaking that they have not passed on the burden of 4% SAD to buyer or any other person. The claimant has also submitted

VAT/CST challans & returns in co-relation to the Chartered Accountant certificate for the said claim. Hence, I am satisfied that there is no unjust enrichment in the present case.

(15) I, find that as per Customs Circular No-18/2010 dated 8.7.2010 Refund of 4% Additional Duty of Customs (4% CVD) in pursuance of Notification No.102/2007-Customs dated 14,9,2007 – Special Drive for clearance of pending 4% SAD refund claims - reg. in para 6 instructed that:

"Some field formations have also raised certain doubts whether the audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account have to be examined in respect of the current financial year for scrutiny of unjust enrichment aspect. It is stated that a large number of refund claims relating to the current year were held up for want of such verification. In this regard, the issue has been examined by the Board and it has been decided that the field formations shall accept a certificate from Chartered Accountant for the purpose of satisfying the condition that the burden of 4% CVD has not been passed on by the importer to any other person. Further, the importer shall also make a self-declaration along with the refund claim to the effect that he has not passed on the incidence of 4% CVD to any other person. Hence, there is no need for insisting on production of audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account in these cases. It may also be noted that recently the Board has also notified the list of documents required to be filed by the applicant along with the refund claim (Annexure-II) which is also displayed in the departmental website. Hence, other than these aforesaid documents, no other document would be required in the normal course of granting 4% CVD refund".

- (16) Further, this office has received a letter through Tax Recovery Cell (TRC) vide file no. S/6-255/Ref/2011 dated 11.05.2020 regarding there is no government dues are pending against M/s. R. B. Patel, Ahmedabad.
- (17) Also, this office has verified the claimant payment particulars / challans through online officially console/ node system and same as found in order:

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8	328028/28.01.10	20218416/30.01.2010	48013.00
-	243250.8		

(18) In view of the foregoing para, I find that the claimant has fulfilled all the conditions as laid down in the notification No. 102/2007 Cus, dated 14.09.2007 read with Board Circular No. 06/2008,16/2008 and 18/2010 and therefore the claimant is eligible for the refund of Rs.2,27,289/- Only.

(19) In view of the above discussion, I pass the following order.

ORDER

I sanction refund of Rs.2,27,289/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Nine Only) filed by M/s. R.B. PATEL 14, S.P. Timber Market, Zone-3, Latibazar, Gitamandir, Ahmedabad Gujarat, India., in terms of notification no. 102/2007-cus-dated 14.09.2007 as amended.

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(Dr. Raju Pawar) Assistant Commissioner (Refund) Customs House, Kandla

Date 1.06.2020

By Reg. Post

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