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All Chief Commissioners (Customs & Central Excise)  
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Director General Revenue Intelligence  
Director General Central Excise Intelligence

Madam/Sir,

Subject: **Fixation of norms for supply of Anti-Smuggling Equipments; reg**

A Committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of DGRI for preparation of a comprehensive plan for purchase, acquisition etc. of anti-smuggling equipments. The Results Framework document (RFD) of CBEC for the year 2012-13 lists 'Finalize action plan to fix standard norms for list of anti-smuggling/preventive equipment for different formations' as one of the success indicators. This Directorate was assigned the work of finalizing an action plan for fixation of norms for supply of anti-smuggling equipments. As per recommendation of the Committee, the action plan was prepared by this Directorate and was submitted to Board for approval. Copy of norms for supplying anti-smuggling equipment as submitted to the Board is enclosed as **Annexure A**.

02. The proposal concerning fixation of norms for supply of anti-smuggling equipments was considered by the Board in meeting held on 27.11.12. Copy of the minutes of the Board Meetings held on 27.11.12 circulated vide OM F.No. 296/03/2013-CX.9 dated 04.01.13 is enclosed as **Annexure B**. The Board's decisions warranting immediate actions to be taken by the filed formations are indicated below:

- A. **VEHICLES:** The Board has approved the proposal for supply of operational vehicles, i.e. four wheelers and two wheelers depending upon the type of office. However, vehicles already available with field formations should be subtracted and additional vehicles required should be provided.
- B. **SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT FOR PREVENTIVE FORMATIONS:** The Board has approved proposal for providing certain surveillance equipment namely, Binoculars, Night Vision Devices, Hand held search lights, Vehicle Mounted Search Lights, First Aid Kits & vehicle Mounted Radars to preventive formations.

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These will be procured locally by the Commissionerates under their budget heads.

- C. **HAND HELD METAL DETECTORS AND DOOR FRAME METAL DETECTORS:** These will be purchased locally by the Commissionerates depending upon the requirements.
- D. **XBIS AND PALLET SCANNERS:** In this regard following has been approved:
- One XBIS - for every FPO
  - Two Pallet Scanners – for every Air Cargo Complex
  - All major and minor ports to be provided with atleast one XBIS
  - Every LCS to be provided with atleast one XBIS'
  - One XIBS- at each ICD
  - Number of XBIS to be provided should be equal to number of conveyor belts plus some XBIS to screen hand baggage.
- E. **FIBEROPTIC SCOPES :** These will be procured and supplied to ICPs, LCSs, ICDs, CFS etc. after ascertaining the requirement from the Commissionerates.
- F. **WEIGH BRIDGES :** The Board noticed that though the Weigh Bridge is required to be installed by the port authorities/custodian of ICD or CFS, yet such Weigh Bridges have not been installed at many places. It should be ensured that every ICD/CFS including ports should have Weigh Bridge in sufficient numbers as per norms in this regard.

03. Directorate of Logistics is examining other issues like Container Scanners, mail scanners, radiation scanners, under carriage inspection system, weigh in motion system, body scanners etc. If any of the Commissionerate want to provide inputs to these proposals, they may also send their comments/inputs. A separate letter is being sent for revamping telecommunication network, after collecting all inputs. Further an exercise to fix norm for supply of arms and ammunition is being proposed in consultation with Preventive Commissionerates.

04. In view of above decisions of the Board, it is requested that;

- A. An exercise to assess requirement of operational vehicles as indicated at 2(A), above , as per recommended norms ( please refer para 9 of Annexure A) be


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undertaken immediately. While doing so , operational vehicles already available with formation should also be taken into consideration. Details of the assessment made should be sent to this office urgently in the format enclosed as **Annexure C**.

- B. Necessary action for purchasing of anti-smuggling equipment as indicated on 2 (B) and 2 (C), as per recommended norms be undertaken immediately. While doing so , anti-smuggling equipment already available with formation and one required to be condemned and disposed should also be taken into consideration.
- C. It is requested that necessary information with respect to requirement of XBIS and Pallet scanners for each Commissionerate, as per norms approved by the Board at 2 (D) above may kindly be forwarded to this office urgently in the prescribed format enclosed as **Annexure D**.
- D. An assessment for requirement of Fiberscopes/Videoscopes in terms of 2(E), above be undertaken immediately. Details of the assessment of requirement made in this regard should be sent to this office urgently in the format enclosed as **Annexure E**.
- E. Necessary action with respect to decision of the Board on Weigh Bridges as indicated at 2 (F) above should be taken immediately and report in this regard be sent to this office urgently.

05. As noted in para 30 of the report (Annexure A), the whole exercise for determination and acquisition of anti-smuggling equipment has to be completed in a time bound manner. It is requested that actual requirement of anti-smuggling equipment, as mentioned at para 4 be completed in two months and a report be sent to this Directorate by 10<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

Yours faithfully,

  
(P.K. Singh) 4/1/13  
Commissioner