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भारत सरकार (GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)
रेल मंत्रालय (MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS)
रेलवे बोर्ड (RAILWAY BOARD)

New Delhi, dated: 21.08.2018

No. TCR/1078/2017/19

Principal Chief Commercial Manager
All Indian Railways.

- Sub : Guidelines for implementation of GST exemption (as applicable) for "Transit Cargo" to/from Nepal and Bhutan.
- Ref : (i) Railway Board's letter of even number dated 27.04.2018.
(ii) GST Notification No.30/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dt 29.09.2017 and Notification No.No.42 of 2017 integrated Tax (Rate) dated 27.10.2017.

In continuation of Board's letter of even number dated 27.04.2018, it is advised that following procedure is laid down for implementation of GST exemption (as applicable) for "Transit Cargo" for goods traffic to/from Nepal & Bhutan:

1. Zonal Railways shall give a list of originating and destination points, where "transit cargo" to/from Nepal & Bhutan is transported. This list shall act as a check-list in TMS data-base to trigger GST exemption, if applicable.
2. Customer offering traffic to Nepal and Bhutan having origination outside India shall submit "Custom Transit Declaration" along with Forwarding Note.
3. Railway Receipt No. shall be manually endorsed in the Custom Transit Declaration as well as Forwarding Note to link the three. Customers registering in e-RD Module shall scan and upload Customer Transit Declaration at the time of placing the Indents. Zonal Railways may encourage the Customers to register the demands for transit goods traffic to/from Nepal & Bhutan in e-RD Module, so that these documents can be uploaded in the application in digital format and can be preserved for longer period.
4. All three documents should be preserved at originating station for a comparatively long period say 10 years.
5. In case of container, CTOs shall generate a document where details of all containers loaded in a rake are available viz. wagon number; container number; consignor; consignee; customers seal number of each container.
 - 5.1. CTOs shall submit the consolidated details including custom's seal number along with Forwarding Note.
 - 5.2. The RR number should be manually endorsed in the Forwarding Note and consolidated list of Custom Transit Declaration to link the three.
6. Customers shall clearly declare in the Forwarding Note that the goods being offered is to/from Nepal/Bhutan is transit cargo having origination/ destination..... (Name of station and country)
7. Insurance policy number shall be recorded on Forwarding Note to justify that it is a Transit Cargo.

8. The RR in the TMS Module shall capture the following , for traffic to/from Nepal & Bhutan-
- (a) TMS, on recognising the originating destination points (as given by Zonal Railways), shall generate a separate pop-up window with an option to TMS Operator regarding exemption of the particular consignment from GST (Yes or No); by applying Transit Cargo to/from Nepal/Bhutan (TCNB).
 - (b) An inactive dropdown menu will be activated for selecting option (Yes or No) in regard to applicability of GST component. System shall capture the Customer Transit Declaration number/date, Custom Endorsement Number with Date alongwith Cargo Originating/Destined Station and Country.
 - (c) System, on getting the positive input, will automatically mark a flag for exemption of the same from GST, otherwise normal procedure will continue.
 - (d) Remarks, if any, may be endorsed in TMS window at the time of generation of RR to identify the transaction as Transit Cargo to/ from Nepal/ Bhutan.
 - (e) Custom endorsement number with date should be incorporated in TMS in the 'Exemption Remark' field generated RR so that cross checks are available.
10. The above process may be strictly followed in order to identify transit cargo for Nepal and Bhutan, implement GST exemption as applicable, and to keep record trail.
11. Zonal Railway's Finance & Commercial Departments may lay down joint procedure order to ensure regular inspections & documentations of inspection reports to assess that laid down procedure is followed, and that there is no lapse either at originating or at destination Railway. Any system improvement or modification, if required must be immediately brought to the notice of Railway Board. Zonal Railways must ensure that each TMS operator at booking point works with his/her exclusive user ID and password.
12. CRIS shall generate a "Read Only "report on TMS for open consumption. The report shall include details of Zonal Railways, Division, Booking point/station, originating-destination station, consignor, consignee, RR no. and date, customs endorsement no. and date, Freight value etc. CRIS shall also make available a summary of total rakes booked under GST exemption by application of "TCNB" code, with filters of time, Zonal Railways and divisions.

This issues with the approval of Accounts Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

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