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**OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS**

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F. No.S6/20/2011-(RI&I)

Date: 20.10.2016

**CIRCULAR**

Please find enclosed Board's circular No 394/97/2015-Cus(AS) dated 20.09.2016 forwarded vide CC office's letter F. No. VIII/48/20/2016-CC(VZ) Pt. dt 18.10.2016 regarding smuggling of gold.

2. The instructions conveyed in the enclosed letter may be scrupulously followed by remaining alert and ensure that smuggling of gold into the country is prevented through all channels.

*(S. K. DUTTA)*  
25/10/16

ASTT. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

To

1. All Supdt. of Customs (Prev.)/All Inspector(P.O.)s
2. All A.O.s/All Inspector(E.O.)s

Copy to:-

Deputy Commissioner (Airport)

*Supdt (EDI) - for uploading on website.*

Enclosure : As above.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF CENTRAL EXCISE CUSTOMS & SERVICE TAX : : CENTRAL EXCISE BUILDING PORT AREA : : VISAKHAPATNAM-530  
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F.No. VIII/48/20/2016-CC (VZ) Pt.

Date: 10.10.2016

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18 OCT 2016  
CENTRAL EXCISE BUILDING PORT AREA  
VISAKHAPATNAM-530

To  
The Principal Commissioner of Customs,  
Custom House, Visakhapatnam

The Commissioner of Customs,  
Customs (Preventive) Commissionerate,  
D. No. 55-17-3, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, C-14,  
Road No. 2, Industrial Estate,  
Auto Nagar, Vijayawada 520 007

Subject: Smuggling of Gold- reg.

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Please find enclosed a copy of Board's letter F. No. 394/97/2015-Cus (AS) dated 20/09/2016 received from Director (Anti Smuggling) on the above subject.

2. The Board has stated that the import of Gold through illicit channels has shown a substantial decrease as compared to the same period during the previous Financial Year and at the same time the seizures of Gold by the Customs field formation for the current financial year have also been considerably decreased. The attempts to smuggle gold can be expected to rise due to upcoming festive season.

3. As the gold smuggling remains a matter of serious concern, it is requested to sensitize and direct the officers under your jurisdiction to thwart any attempts of Gold smuggling by unscrupulous elements.

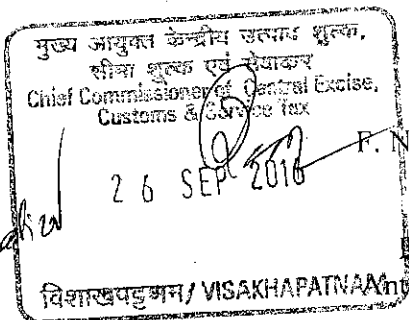
Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above

*[Signature]*  
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(S. Raghuram)  
Assistant Commissioner (CCO)

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P. NO. 394/97/2015-Cus (AS),  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Revenue  
Smuggling Unit (CBEC)  
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Room No. 501, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hudco Vishala Building,  
R. K. Puram, New Delhi, dated 20.09.2016

To

1. All Principal Chief / Chief Commissioners of Customs,
2. All Principal Chief / Chief Commissioners of Customs (P),
3. All Principal Chief / Chief Commissioners of Customs & Central Excise.

**Sub: Smuggling of Gold -reg.**

Madam/Sir,

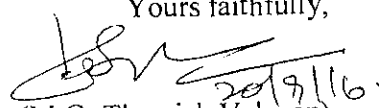
During the current financial year, the import of Gold through licit channels has shown a substantial reduction as compared to the same period during the previous fiscal. This has been accompanied by a considerable fall in the seizures of Gold by the Customs field formations during the current financial year in comparison with those during the previous financial year.

2. However, as cases of Gold smuggling continue to be booked and reported, the smuggling of Gold into the country remains a matter of serious concern. The Directorate General of Revenue Intelligence (DGRI) has been periodically issuing alerts in this regard, highlighting specific and general modus operandi being adopted by Gold smugglers to clandestinely smuggle Gold. Attempts to smuggle Gold can be expected to rise with the upcoming festive season.

3. In view of the above, it is requested that all the officers under your jurisdiction may be sensitized and directed to thwart any attempts of Gold smuggling by unscrupulous entities. The officers posted at various Customs locations such as Airports, Air Cargo Complexes, Un-accompanied Baggage (UAB), Foreign Post Office (FPO), Land Customs Stations (LCS), Seaports and Inland Container Depots (ICDs), etc. may be suitably alerted to remain extremely vigilant and intensify their efforts towards intelligence development, information gathering, risk profiling, scanning, examination, interception, etc. to ensure that illegal smuggling of Gold can be prevented through all channels.

4. Results achieved and any new modus operandi may be shared with this Unit as well as with the Directorate General of Revenue Intelligence.

Yours faithfully,

  
(M.G. Thamizh Valavan)  
Director (AS)

Copy to:- DG, DRI, New Delhi for information.

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27.09.2016