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CIRCULAR NO. 12/2013

Sub: e-Consignment declaration in Form 8F – Submission of printout of e-Token in online check posts – dispensed with – req.

Ref:- Circular No. 16 / 2011 and 22 / 2011.

For interstate movement of goods vehicle, e-Consignment declaration was made mandatory vide Circular 16/2011. The transporters are allowed to declare the consignment details in KVATIS well in advance before the consignment reach the check post. Even though there is an advance declaration facility, it has come to the notice that most of the transporters are parking the vehicles at check post yard and then approach nearby kiosks for obtaining printout of the e-Consignment declaration. This has resulted in traffic congestion and delay in the clearance of goods vehicles.

In order to further simplify the procedures, Department has decided to dispense with the production of hardcopy of e-Consignment token, as part of m-Governance initiatives. Department is providing SMS alerts to the dealers while e-Consignment declaration. The message conveys the details of e-Token number along with vehicle number and name of the check post. The transporter can produce the token number before the checkpost officials and they can retrieve the 8F token details from KVATIS and approve the e-Token. The transporter can inform the e-Token number either by writing on the top of the invoice / other transporting documents or show the token number in the mobile SMS.

The check post officials shall retrieve the transportation details from KVATIS for verification by entering the e-Token number. Hardcopy of the e-Token shall not be insisted from the transporter. They shall ensure that the token number is superscripted on the invoice/other transporting documents produced by the dealer. If any mistakes are found in the uploaded e-Consignment declaration, the Check post Officials has the facility to edit the fields as specified in Circular No.22/2011 and need not insist fresh e-Token. Hardcopy of the invoice / other transporting document received in the check post need not be forwarded to the assessment circles since the transaction details can be accessed by the Assessing Authority online. The duty inspectors shall keep the transporting documents in check post. The transaction details shall be labeled date wise and kept in bundles for easy verifications in case any dispute arises regarding transportation. If any typographical error or minor mistake has crept in the declaration already filed, the duty inspector himself has to make necessary correction instead of directing the transporter to make the correction as being practiced now.

Since real time e-Token verification is not possible in offline check posts, the transporters shall submit printout of the e-Token along with other transporting documents when the transaction is through offline check post.