

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 93/ 2015

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (NS-IV)
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Sub. : Use of digital signature for submission of documents – regarding.

1. Attention of all Custom House Agents, Importers, Exporters, Shipping Agents, Members of Regional Advisory Committees and Members of the Trade is invited to the [Public Notice No. 37/2015](#) dated 01.05.2015 regarding use of digital signature certificates for submission of customs process documents viz. Bill of Entry, Shipping Bill, Import General Manifest (IGM), Export General Manifest (EGM) through remote EDI system by importers, exporters, Customs brokers, airlines and their agents, with effect from 01.04.2015.

2. In terms of [Board Circular No. 10/2015](#)-Customs, dated 31.03.2015, importers registered under Accredited Client Programme (ACP) are mandatorily required to file Bills of Entry with digital signature with effect from 01.05.2015. Wherever the customs process documents are digitally signed, the Customs will not insist on the user to physically sign the said documents.

3. In order to increase coverage of digitally signed documents and subsequent phasing out of physical/manual submission of documents, Board has decided that all importers, exporters using services of Customs Brokers for formalities under Customs Act, 1962, shipping lines and air lines shall file customs documents under digital signature certificates mandatorily with effect from 01.01.2016. The importers/exporters desirous of filing Bill of Entry or Shipping Bill individually may however have the option of filing declarations/documents without using digital signature. Further, wherever the customs processed documents are digitally signed, the Customs will not insist on the user to physically sign the said documents.

4. All the Trade Associations/Chamber of Commerce/Members of Regional Advisory Committees and Custom House Agents' Association are requested to publicize the contents of this Public Notice among their members/constituents.

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(SUBHASH AGRAWAL)

Commissioner of Customs

NS (IV), JNCH

To,

1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone II.
2. The Commissioners of Customs, NS I, II, III, IV & V, JNCH
3. The Additional/Joint Commissioners of Customs, JNCH
4. All the Dy. /Assistant Commissioners of Customs, JNCH

5. All the Appraising Officers/Superintendents, JNCH
6. BCCHA,
7. Notice Board / Guard File.