VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT



All Cargo Receivers/Shippers

.No.ITRA/GEN/FMTY dt.13.8.2017. 14

CIRCULAR No-924

Sub: Automatic recognition to Authorised Economic Operators (AEOs) identified under the Customs Programme and permit all AEOs for availing Direct Port

Delivery (DPD) facility - Reg.

Ref:1 Ministry of Shipping, Ir. No. PD-14033/20/2018-PD-V, dt. 6.7.2018. 2. CBEC Ir. Circular No. 33/2016-Customs, dt. 22.7.2016.

The CBEC Board had decided to merge the two facilities schemes namely Accredited Client programme (ACP) and Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) into a combined three-tier AEO programme, and also enhance the scope of these programmes so as to provide further benefits to the entities who have demonstrated strong internal control system and willingness to comply with the laws administrated by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) erstwhile (CBEC) circular under reference 2nd cited.

In this regard, the MOS vide reference $2^{\rm nd}$ cited informed that the Authorized Economic Operators (AEO) scheme has been envisaged by world Customs Operators (WCO) and is being implemented by many of the Countries and different kinds of benefits are given to trusted stakeholder involved in cross border trade, based on their level of compliance.

Therefore, all AEOs are permitted for availing DPD facility in accordance with the AEO Scheme as per details given in the circular No. 33/2016-Customs, dt.22.7.2016 (Copy enclosed) http://www.cbec.gov.in/htdocscbec/home links/india-aeo-prgm).

Yours faithfully,

ANAGER I/c.

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