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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh National Board of Revenue Segunbagicha, Dhaka [Customs: Automation Branch]

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Subject: Mandatory payment of duties, fees, charges, etc. related to Bill of Entry and Bill of Export through e-payment.

Reference:

1. National Board of Revenue Letter Document No- 08.01.0000.067.10.003.19/185, dated: 31 August, 2020

2. National Board of Revenue letter Document No- 08.01.0000.066.31.009.20 (Part-1)/166, dated 01 September, 2021.

In light of the subject matter and reference mentioned above, it is informed as ordered that an e-payment system using Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) has been introduced with the aim of simplifying the process of payment of duties, fees, and charges and speeding up the clearance process of consignments through ASYCUDA World System. In this system, the duty- tax amounts can be paid directly from the bank account of the concerned importer or C&F agent to the government treasury through RTGS of Bangladesh Bank. Payment of duties and taxes through e-payment ensures transparency and accountability in revenue collection as there is no opportunity to prepare fake documents of high revenue deposits by resorting to fraud.

- 02. With the aim of bringing dynamism to revenue collection, all Custom Houses and Land Customs Stations have been instructed to pay compulsorily the customs duties, fees, charges, etc. of revenue-related goods of more than BDT two lakhs through e-payment from last 01 July, 2021. From the next January 2022, there is an instruction to pay all customs duties, fees, charges, etc. through e-payment compulsorily (copy attached).
- 03. Through e-payment, it is possible to carry out import-export operations faster without the risk of counterfeiting. In this situation, as a part of controlling revenue evasion and building a Digital Bangladesh within the existing reality, your office is requested as ordered to ensure payment of all the Bill of Entry and Bill of Export through e-payment irrespective of the duty amounts on a pilot basis.

Annexure: 2 (two) pages as stated

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