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Subject: Changes made in recent past in SCMTR module of ICES application-Reg.

Under the Sea Cargo Manifest Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR), the following changes have been made in the SCMTR module of ICES application in the recent past:

- 1. As a trade facilitation measure, stakeholders have been allowed to upload the crew effect and ship stores declaration in pdf document form, using e-sanchit. Advisory 30/2023 dated_may be referred to for more details on how to use this functionality.
- 2. The System was seeking bond for goods transshipped from ICD to SEZ. The SCMTR module is now suitably modified and bond requirement for transshipment has been made optional in the IGM/SAM. However, the final destination would have to be shown as an SEZ and not the ICD. In such a situation, the System will check for the bond of the SEZ unit and will use this bond instead of the bond of the carrier.
- 3. In case of consolidated bill of lading (BL), MCIN is being generated in SCMTR module. This MCIN is used by ASA/ASC for SAM filing and already contains the details which are captured in "Transport_Msr" field i.e No of packages, gross weight, Net Weight, invoice value etc. The application is now suitably modified to accept the MCIN in subsequent declaration in the SAM without Transport_Msr details, as these are already available in the System.

4. In respect of personal effects of foreign nationals and diplomats, the system was giving error code #42 (Invalid buyer code). Provision has been made to allow passport number to be used instead of consignee code to allow the declaration for foreign nationals and diplomats.

5. In case of export, it was mandatory to declare the consignee code (foreign buyer/ importer in the foreign country) while filing the SDM. As a trade facilitation measure, consignee code in case of SDM has been made optional.



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- 6. At the time of SAM filing, expected date and time of departure of vessel was a mandatory field in the System, and the same has been made optional.
- 7. It was reported by trade that the SAM and SDM are getting rejected for those vessels, where the last port of call and Indian port of call are getting repeated i.e. ships are traveling only between one Indian port and one foreign port. The error is suitably modified to accept these manifests.
- 8. Message Implementation Guide has been updated and uploaded on the ICEGATE website.
- 9. Trans-shipment bond was earlier mandatory for all types of sea to sea movement of a vessel. As per Regulation 9 of SCMT Regulations, there is no need of bond in case of domestic transshipment of cargo through sea route. Accordingly, necessary changes have been made in the system and now there is no requirement of bond for domestic transshipment of cargo through sea. Advisory No. 18 dated 05.12.2023 may be referred to for more details on this functionality.
- 10. Trade under your jurisdiction be guided suitably and officers informed. Officers facing any difficulties or issues may email to saksham.seva@icegate.gov.in. Traders facing any difficulties or issues may email to icegatehelpdesk@icegate.gov.in.

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