



आयुक्त ( सामान्य) सीमाशुल्क का कार्यालय

**OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (GENERAL)**

कस्टम ब्रोकर अनुभाग, नवीन सीमाशुल्क भवन, बेलार्ड इस्टेट, मुंबई- I

**CUSTOMS BROKER SECTION, NEW CUSTOM HOUSE, BALLARD  
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**F.No. GEN/CB/319/2025-CBS**

**Date:17-03-2026**

**Order No. 18 /2025-26**

CB M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO (CB No. 11/180), (PAN No. AAAFB6900G), having registered address: 27 ASHOK CHAMBER, 2ND FLOOR, DEVJI RATTANSI MARG, CARNAC BUNDER, MUMBAI- 400009 (hereinafter referred to as the Customs Broker/CB), is the holder of Customs Broker License No. (11/180), issued by the Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai, under Regulation 8 of CHALR, 1984 (now Regulation 7(2) of CBLR, 2018) and as such, they are bound by the regulations and conditions stipulated therein.

2. As per the available records with the Customs Broker Section of the New Customs House, Mumbai, the CB M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO, (PAN No. AAAFB6900G) is registered as a partnership, with Shri ASHWIN BALKRISHNA SALVI being the Partnership and authorized person of the said CB and holding a F-Category Customs Pass.

3. The CB M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO (CB No. 11/180) vide their letter dated 14.01.2026, intimated this office that Shri ASHWIN BALKRISHNA SALVI, the authorized person holding F-category Customs Pass, expired on 08.01.2025. Further, vide letter dated 19.02.2026, CB has submitted the copies of details of documents which have been filed in the ICES/EDI system after the death of Shri ASHWIN BALKRISHNA SALVI.

4. Upon the demise of the sole authorized F-Card holder on 08.01.2025, the Customs Broker was not legally entitled to transact customs business or file Shipping Bills unless another authorized and approved person was available. However, it is observed that 133 Shipping Bills were filed in the ICES/EDI system after the death of Shri ASHWIN BALKRISHNA SALVI, despite there being no valid authorized person in place. On scrutiny of the records available in this office, it is further observed that the CB M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO has not obtained any approval from the competent authority for continuation of import/export clearance work (after the demise of ASHWIN BALKRISHNA SALVI).

**5.** It is evident that the customs broker M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO (CB No. 11/180), (PAN No. AAAFB6900G) have failed to fulfil their obligations laid down under the Customs Broker Licensing Regulations (CBLR), 2018. In view of the above, the relevant provisions of CBLR, 2018, outlining the obligations of customs brokers, are extracted below:

**(i) Regulation 10 (b) of CBLR, 2018: -**

*“A Customs Broker shall transact business in the Customs Station either personally or through an authorised employee duly approved by the Deputy Commissioner of Customs or Assistant Commissioner of Customs, as the case may be;”*

**(ii) Regulation 11(3) of CBLR, 2018: -**

*Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-regulation (1), in case of any firm or a company where a license has ceased to be in force because of the death or retirement of any partner or director or an authorised employee, who has passed the examination referred to in regulation 6, the firm or the company may apply for replacement of the name of the demised person by the name of another partner, director or authorised employee who has passed the examination referred to in regulation 6:*

*Provided that if there is no such person in the firm or company, then such firm or company, as the case may be, may authorise any other partner, director or authorised employee who is a G card holder, referred to in sub-regulation (5) of regulation 13, to pass the examination referred to in regulation 6 within a period of two years from the date of the demise or retirement of such person, and the firm or company may be permitted to carry on the business of a Customs Broker with the approval of the Principal Commissioner of Customs or Commissioner of Customs, as the case may be till such time such partner, director or authorized employee passes the said examination.*

**(iii) Regulation 13(7) of CBLR, 2018: -**

*“A Customs Broker shall authorise only such employee who has been issued a photo identity card in Form F or Form G as the case may be to sign the declaration on the bills of entry, shipping bills, annexure thereof or any other document generated in connection with the proceedings under the Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder”*

**6.** In view of the above acts of commission and omission on the part of CB, it clearly amounts to a violation of Regulation 11(3) r/w Regulations 10(b) and 13(7) of the CBLR, 2018. The CB has requested a waiver of SCN/

PH.

**7.** I have gone through the documents on records and find that the CB M/s BABAJI KHIMJI & CO has filed 133 Shipping Bills in the ICES/EDI system after the death of Shri ASHWIN BALKRISHNA SALVI without taking approval under the provisions of Regulation 11(3) of CBLR, 2018.

**8.** In view of the above, I hold that the CB M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO is liable for consequences for violation of Regulation 11(3) r/w regulations 10(b) and 13(7) of CBLR, 2018. Accordingly, I pass the following order: -

**ORDER**

**9.1** I, Commissioner of Customs (Gen.), in exercise of powers conferred upon me under Regulation 18 of Customs Broker Licensing Regulations (CBLR), 2018, hereby impose a penalty of Rs 15,000/- Rs Fifteen Thousand, on the CB BABAJI KHIMJI & CO (CB No. 11/180) for violation of provisions of Regulation 11(3) r/w regulations 10(b), and 13(7) of CBLR, 2018.

**10.** This order is being issued without prejudice to any other action that may be taken against the CB or any other person(s)/firm(s) etc. under the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962 and Rules/Regulations framed there under or under any other law for the time being in force.

Digitally signed by  
Shraddha Joshi Sharma  
Date: 17-03-2026  
16:10:26

Shraddha Joshi Sharma  
**(SHRADDHA JOSHI SHARMA)**  
Commissioner of Customs, CBS (General)  
New Customs House, Zone-I, Mumbai.

To,  
M/s. BABAJI KHIMJI & CO (CB No. 11/180),  
27 ASHOK CHAMBER, 2ND FLOOR,  
DEVJI RATTANSI MARG, CARNAC BUNDER,  
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3. EDI of NCH, ACC & JNCH.
4. Bombay Custom House Agent Association.

