

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Custom House Dhaka

File No.-5-Cus12(16) Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/12563-12601

Date:- 30/04/14

To,
Country Manager

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Subject: Submission of e-manifest through XML format.

Reference:

- (1) NBR Letter no 08.01.0000.53.12.002.14/347 Dated: 20.04.14
- (2) NBR Letter no NBR/IT/AWIP/Manifest/25 Dated: 26.06.13
- (3) NBR Letter no WIP/manifest//270 Dated: 17.12.13
- (4) DCH Letter no-5-cus-12(16)Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/8778
dt.10.02.14
- (5) DCH Letter no-5-cus-12(16)Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/9522
dt.25.02.14
- (6) DCH Letter no-5-cus-12(16)Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/9730
dt.02.03.14
- (7) DCH Letter no-5-cus-12(16)Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/110311(4)
dt.16.03.14
- (8) DCH Letter no-5-cus-12(16)Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/
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- (9) DCH Letter no-5-cus-12(16)Niti Pordhoti/Asycuda World/2012/12131
dt.24.04.14

Dear Sir,

Further to the above mentioned references/correspondence, I am writing to draw your kind attention to the subject regarding the submission of e-manifest. Last couple of months, Custom House, Dhaka Authority and all air cargo operators is working hard to implement ASYCUDA World System in full brim. All the airlines were requested to submit electronic cargo manifest in XML format under ASYCUDA World System. We have sent you letters on several occasions and arranged a series of meetings to educate the airline officials about cargo e-manifest submission and to seek their cordial cooperation to implement ASYCUDA World System. To afresh your memory we list below the steps that were taken earlier to make you aware and compliant with our procedural requirements:

- a) A meeting was held in NBR on June 12, 2013 chaired by Member (Customs: Export, Bond & IT) & Project Director, ASYCUDA World Implementation Project, where all present airlines were told to submit e-manifest right after leaving the last airport and submits that in the format specified by NBR.
- b) The next meeting was held in Custom House, Dhaka on September 9, 2013. All airlines representatives were as asked to keep communicating with Mr. Zahidur Rahman, focal point of the ASYCUDA Implementation Project and inform him about their updates.
- c) Again, another meeting was held in NBR on November 26, 2013 where all the airlines were informed that ASYCUDA World System was going to be implemented within March, 2014.
- d) Custom House, Dhaka arranged a training program on February 16 &17, 2014 on e-manifest submission under ASYCUDA World System. All the airlines were invited to attend the training program.
- e) Commissioner, Custom House, Dhaka sent a letter to the Airlines Operator Committee on February 25, 2014 where he elaborated the procedure of e-manifest submission. It was also reiterated that ASYCUDA World System was would be installed on March 1, 2014.

- f) Another meeting was held in Custom House, Dhaka on February 26, 2014. All the airlines were asked to fill up the User ID form and send to the focal point to get the individual password.
- g) An e-mail was sent to the international hub of several airlines on April 10, 2014 emphasizing on the necessity, importance and legal provisions of e-manifest submission. A reminder was also sent to them on April 16, 2014.
- h) Another training program on e-manifest submission was arranged in Custom House, Dhaka on April 8, 9 & 10, 2014. Thirteen airlines were invited to attend the meeting.
- i) With a view to provide more assistance to the airlines, our specialist team consisting of Mr. Zahidur Rahman and Mr. Nozrul Haque visited six airlines operators' offices and provided an intensive practical training to them.

2. In spite of taking the above mentioned steps, some airlines are not yet able to fully comply with government regulations. In this regard we would like to mention that as per the Customs Act, 1969, section-45, it's your sole responsibility to submit manifest to the Customs Authority in the format prescribed by NBR. Recently, NBR issued a letter (ref: NBR Letter no 08.01.0000.53.12.002.14/347 Dated: 20.04.14) specifying the above mentioned requirements. There is indicated penal provision in the Act (copy is attached) in case of failure to comply with this legal requirement.

3. Under these circumstances, we would like to make a final warning to you to comply with government regulations by 1st week of May, 2014. Otherwise, we will be constrained to take legal actions if you fail to comply as prescribed. We look forward for better cooperation from you. Please don't hesitate to contact us or our ASYCUDA World team in following address:

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04. Member (Customs: Export, Bond & IT) & Project Director, ASYCUDA World Implementation Project, National Board of Revenue, Rajaswa Bhaban, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.
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