Sub: Central Excise Day 2017 Celebrations — Reg.

Please find enclosed Letter F.No: 2926/25/2017-CX.9 dated 02.02.2017 from the Board regarding celebration of Central Excise Day, 2017. This year, the Central Excise Day would be celebrated on **23rd February, 2017 (Thursday)** since 24th February, 2017 is a closed Holiday.

2. It has been decided to celebrate the Central Excise Day 2017 **jointly by all the Commissionerates in Chennai Central Excise & Service Tax Zone**. Central Excise, Chennai-I Commissionerate would be organising the function and decide on the programmes to be conducted in consultation with the Commissionerates. All the Commissionerates would be given different tasks by Central Excise Chennai-I Commissionerate which may please be adhered to. Separate letter in this regard would be issued by Central Excise Chennai-I Commissionerate. Retired Senior Officers are required to be invited for the function and the instructions given in this regard in Board's Letter F.No: 298/51/2012-CX.9 dated 17.02.2015 (**copy enclosed**) may be followed scrupulously.

3. On this occasion, it has been decided to honour the assesses with good track record who have contributed substantially to the Government revenue (PLA), separately for manufacturers below and above the small scale exemption threshold and the Service Tax assesses. Hence, each Commissionerate may identify one Top Assesse in each of the above category (Non-SSI, SSI & Service Tax). In respect of Service Tax Commissionerates in Service Tax Zone top 2 assesses from each Commissionerate may be identified. The name of such assesse along with the duty paid details for the last 3 years may be furnished to this Office. It is requested that the assesse against whom offence case, if any is registered, may not be considered.
4.1 To encourage and honour the Officers who have contributed substantially to the revenue /on administrative and other fronts, it has been decided to honour such Officers for their outstanding contribution to the Department on the occasion of the Central Excise Day Celebrations 2017. Hence, it is requested that each Commissionerate may nominate one or more Officer in each cadre (Superintendent, Inspector, Stenographer/ P.S./ Sr.P.S./ P.S./ Steno, A.O, DOS/STA, TA/LDC, Driver, Sepoy/Havildar/Head Havildar, etc.) who have rendered exemplary and dedicated service to the department. Those who have already been honoured either by the Board or by the Zone may be excluded.

4.2 The nomination of the officers may be considered on the basis of following criteria:

a) ACR / APAR Grading
b) Performance of the Officer
c) Number of years of service rendered
d) Achievements
e) Initiatives / Programmes etc. which have bearing on the performance of the department.

5. The above information may please be sent to this Office latest by 20.02.2017 by fax to 2833 1015 / 1030 and by e-mail to ccu-ceexhn@nte.in / excisechiefcommissioner@gmail.com.

End : As above

(C.P. Rao)
PRINCIPAL CHIEF COMMISSIONER

To

The Commissioner of Central Excise,
Chennai - I / II / III / IV / LTU / Puducherry / Audit-I / Audit-II / Appeals I / Appeals-II Commissionerates, C CO

The Principal Commissioner/Commissioner of Service Tax,
Chennai-I / II / III / Audit / Appeals-I & Appeals-II Commissionerates

Copy to:
1. Sr.PS/PS to Principal Chief Commissioner of Central Excise /Chief Commissioner of Service Tax, Chennai
2. PRO, Central Excise Chennai-I Commissionerate.
3. Superintendent (Computers), Central Excise Chennai-I Commissionerate for uploading in the Zonal website.
To

All Chief Commissioners / Directors General, CBEC

Subject: Celebration of Central Excise Day, 2017 - reg.

Sir,

The Central Excise Day is celebrated on 24th February every year to mark the occasion on
combining of 11 Acts and re-christening the same as "the Central Excise and Salt Act, 1944".

2. This year 24th February, 2017 being a Gazetted Holiday on account of Maha Shivratri it has
been decided that Central Excise Day will be celebrated on 25th Feb. 2017 instead of 24th Feb., 2017.

3. With a view to mark this day, the formations may organize different programmes, as per their
convenience, which may include:
   a) Presentations by Department Officers/Members of the Trade/about best practices in their
      organizations and their expectations from the Department,
   b) Awarding Certificates of Recognition to proactive highest Tax Payers.
   c) In-house seminars on relevant issues, including Goods and Services Tax, Tax Payer
      Services, Litigation Management etc.
   d) Observing pending redressal drive month in adjudication, refund, arrears realization,
      prosecution cases and public redressal matters.
   e) Blood Donation camps or health checkups;
   f) Quiz competition;
   g) Indoor or outdoor sports or games;
   h) Literary and musical events, like, writing or reading of poems or articles;
   i) Cultural Programmes showcasing talent of officers & family.

4. Reports/photos of such celebrations may be uploaded in ANTRANG by 28th February,
2017.

Yours faithfully,

(Suresh Singh)

Under Secretary to Govt. of India
Tel No.: 23092413

Copy to Webmaster, CBEC, with the request to upload the letter on website.
To
All Chief Commissioners/ Directors General  

Subject: Organisation of Departmental Functions – need to ensure appropriate protocol to invite retired Chairmen/Members etc. – reg.

It may be recalled that CBEC and its field formations organize certain Departmental functions, such as, Central Excise Day, Customs Day etc., to highlight the activities of the Department. With a view to share present day experiences and achievements with our esteemed retired senior colleagues, they are generally invited to be present on such occasions. While there may not be any formal policy in this regard, as per the past practice, such retired senior colleagues living in the capital and NCR region are invited to attend such functions being organized in Delhi. Similar practice are also being followed for inviting senior retired colleagues living in other cities to attend such functions being organized in vicinity.

2. While there is need to continue to observe the existing practice, due care must be taken to ensure that all such retired senior colleagues living in the capital and NCR region and other cities are duly invited without any exception in advance and appropriate protocol should be extended to them for attending such functions in their city/region. Any deviation in this matter will be viewed seriously.

(Shashi Bhushan Singh)
Member (CX/ST/Customs)