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File No.: DGSYS/APP/ICES/GEN/3/2024

Date:- /11/2025

To,

All Chief Commissioners of Customs / Customs (Preventive)
All Principal Commissioners / Commissioners of Customs
(All Customs Zones)

**Sub: Pan India implementation of Stuffing (SF) Message under SCMTR,
2018 – w.e.f 25.11.2025 – reg.**

Madam/Sir,

Kind attention is invited to Board Notification No. 61/2025-Customs (N.T.) where by date of all India implementation of all provisions of SCMTR, 2018, has been extended to 31st December, 2025. Further, this Directorate's letters of even number dated 23.09.2025 and 01.10.2025 regarding the roll-out of Stuffing Message (SF) under Customs Inland Manifest (CIM–Export) in the SCMTR Application at two pilot sites and its subsequent roll-out across all sites for all custodians, may also be referred. (copies enclosed)

2. In continuation of the above, it is informed that as part of phase-wise implementation of SCMTR messages, this office has planned to implement the Stuffing (SF) Message module pan-India for exports with effect from 25th November 2025. Using the SF message, the export cargo details can be filed by custodian itself through the ICEGATE replacing the existing mechanism of stuffing report entered by officer. Custodian will file the SF message container-wise. This message will be approved by customs officer at the location i.e. ICD/CFS/SEZ. Once SF is approved, it will indicate that there is no more cargo pending for stuffing in the container.

3. After Stuffing, the trans-shipper needs to file the ASR message SB-wise. ASR filing will indicate that for a SB, the stuffing has been completed and no more addition of cargo would be allowed. However, at this stage, only SF message is being made live and not ASR or subsequent messages (DP, AR, ST, AT, DT). As such, during this intervening period, such SF information filed by the custodian would flow to officer's screen (same screen/role where at present Stuffing report is entered by the officer). Thus, officer's screen where stuffing report used to be entered would be auto-populated using the SF information filed by the custodian, and same would

be editable by the officer (since at present, all CIM-Export messages are not being made live, as such, officer role has been kept to be continued, as was existing before).

4. Thus, the parallel option for entering the stuffing report through the existing method shall continue to remain available alongside the new SF message during the transition phase to ensure operational smoothness and will be removed once the process has been implemented successfully at all sites.

5. In this regard, several technical sessions have been conducted with custodians and other stakeholders in the past where common stuffing message errors were discussed and necessary resolutions and clarifications were provided. List of such errors and their descriptions is also available on:

https://www.old.icegate.gov.in/Download/SCMTR_Error_Codes_&_Descriptions_v1.0.pdf (errors under message name 'SF' may be referred)

6. Field formations may ensure that stakeholders under their jurisdiction are apprised of the above developments and be asked to adopt the new functionality. Concerned field formations are requested to:

- a) Ensure registration of Custodians under SCMTR and Custodian-warehouse mapping.
- b) Facilitate and monitor the smooth implementation of the SF message by stakeholders.
- c) Disseminate necessary information and user guidance to all stakeholders under their jurisdiction.
- d) Report all implementation issues/feedback to the DG (Systems) for further resolution.

7. The Message Implementation guide for technical details is available at <https://www.icegate.gov.in/guidelines/CIM-custodian-MIG> . This may kindly be circulated to all concerned officers and trade stakeholders for necessary compliance and readiness by the launch date.

This issues with the approval of the Pr. DG, DG Systems.

Yours faithfully,

(Harbinder Kaur Prasad)
Pr. ADG (ICES)

Encl: As above

Copy to:

1. The DG Cell, DG System
2. The Pr. ADG, ICEGATE
3. The Joint Secretary (Customs)



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To,

The Pr. Chief Commissioners (Customs/Custom Preventive),
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 The Commissioner (Customs/Custom Preventive),

Sir/Madam,

Subject: Rollout of Stuffing Message (SF) under Customs Inland Manifest (CIM-Export) in SCMTR Application – Reg.

Kind reference is invited to Board Notification No. 40/2025-Customs (N.T.) dated 31st May 2025 whereby the date of all India implementation of all provisions of SCMTR, 2018 has been extended to 30th September, 2025.

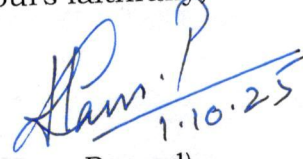
2. It is informed that w.e.f. 26th August, 2025, the Directorate had mandatorily implemented the Export Manifest messages under SCMTR (SDM, SDN, SDA) pan-India in phase-wise manner.

3. In the next phase, this Directorate has planned for operationalizing the custom inland manifest (CIM-Export) for movement of cargo between ICD and Gateway Port. The CIM-Export would comprise of following messages:

- Stuffing Message (SF)/Stripping Message (ST), AT (Arrival Time), Departure Time (DT) – to be filed by custodian
- CIM- DP(Departure), CIM-AR(Arrival), ASR (Allowed for Shipment Request) – To be filed by trans-shipper

4. In this regard, SF message has been taken up first and is planned to be made live for 2 custodians w.e.f. 29.09.2025 (detailed letter attached mentioning the SF message details). Subsequently, same would be rolled out across all sites for all custodians. As such, it is requested that SCMTR registration of custodians may be ensured and Custodians may also be asked to take up with ICEGATE, if they are facing any issues in MFTP/API, which would be required to file SF message. Custodians may also be asked to go through SF message MIG available at <https://www.icegate.gov.in/hi/guidelines/CIM-custodian-MIG>

Yours faithfully,


(Harbinder Kaur Prasad)
Pr. ADG (ICES)

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Copy to:

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23-09-2025

To,

The Pr. Commissioner of Customs,
 Preventive Commissionerate,
 Chennai Customs Zone

The Commissioner of Customs (Export),
 Inland Container Depot, Tughlakabad

Sir,

**Subject: Rollout of Stuffing Message (SF) under Customs
 Inland Manifest (CIM-Export) in SCMTR Application at 2
 sites- Reg.**

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Shipment Request) – To be filed by trans-shipper.

4. As per the system design, custodian will file the SF message container-wise. This message will be approved by customs officer at the location i.e. ICD/CFS/SEZ. Once SF is approved, it will indicate that there is no more cargo pending for stuffing in the container.
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6. For pilot launch of SF message, 2 custodians have been selected (CONCOR for ICD Tughlakabad and CFS Sattva for INMAA1), where SF message is being planned to be made live on 29.09.2025. It is requested that feedback for this pilot-launch of SF message may be shared, along the issues faced by the custodian or any errors encountered while filing SF message. For any issues, SCMTR cell may reach out at team.ices@icegate.gov.in

This issues with the approval of Pr. ADG (ICES).

Yours faithfully,

Digitally signed by
Kannav Sharma

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Joint Director (ICES)

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