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**INSTRUCTION No.03/2018** 

Dated Shillong the 1st November 2018

Subject: Discontinuation of auction of seized cattle -reg

The Board has directed that in terms of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 04.08.17, whereby it had been desired that sale of cattle should be in consonance with the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (care and Maintenance of Case Property Animals) Rules 2017, and Customs officers not being empowered under the provisions of the PCA Rule or the PCA Act, the auction of seized cattle by Customs is to be discontinued so as to comply with the said order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

In view of the same, it is hereby directed that Customs officers will not take over cattle seized by BSF henceforth and the BSF may be requested to hand it over to the State Police, as they are empowered under the PCA Act and hence compliance of provisions of the PCA Rules for sale/disposal of cattle can only be done by State Police Officers. Further, in cases of seizure of cattle by Customs Officers, the State Police officers should be invariably involved as they are empowered under the PCA Act and the seized cattle may be handed over to the state Police authorities who can sell/dispose off the same in consonance with the PCA Rules in compliance with the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

In view the above directions Customs officers will no longer receive seized cattle from other agencies and the practice of auctioning cattle shall be discontinued forthwith.

[Authority: Commissioner (RI&I), CBIC, New Delhi's Letter F.No. 394/52/2015-Cus (AS) Pt. dated 31.10.18]

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आयुक्त/Commissioner

C.No. VIII(48)11/CUS/TECH/Cattle/2016/308U 99

Dated: 17 NOV 2018!

- 1. The Chief Commissioner, GST & Customs, Shillong
- The Deputy/Assistant Commissioner, Customs Division, Agartala/Aizawl/Dhubri/Dimapur/ 2. Guwahati/ Imphal/ Karimganj/Shillong. It is directed that the contents of this Instruction be brought to the notice of all concerned and due steps taken for implementation.
- The Assistant Commissioner, Land Customs Station, Agartala/Moreh/Sutarkandi. It is directed 3. that the contents of this Instruction be brought to the notice of all concerned and due steps taken for implementation.
- The Deputy Commissioner, Hqrs. Preventive, Customs Hqrs., Shillong 4.
- 5. The Deputy Commissioner (Disposal), Customs Hgrs., Shillong
- The Superintendent (Computer & Training) Customs Hqrs., Shillong for uploading to the Commissionerate website.

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