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Subject: Cancellation of validity of Multiple IECs against single PAN – reg.

The para 2.9(b) of the Handbook of Procedure (HBP-Vol.I) (2009-2014) provides for only one IEC against a single PAN. However, it has been noticed from the centralised IEC data bank that multiple IECs have been obtained by some firms/companies from various Regional Authorities of DGFT against the single PAN. This requires corrective action for maintaining consistency with policy and data integrity.

- 2. Therefore, in exercise of powers conferred under paragraph 2.4 of the Foreign Trade Policy (2009-2014), the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby amends para 2.9(b) of HBP(Vol.I) (2009-14) as under:
 - "2.9.(b): Only one IEC shall be issued against a single PAN. Multiple IECs issued against a single PAN will be deactivated suo-moto after 31.03.2015."
- 3. Accordingly, all Importers/exporters having multiple IECs against a single PAN have the option of retaining any one IEC and surrender all other IECs to the concerned RAs by 31.03.2015 for cancellation.

4. <u>Effect of Public Notice</u>

Multiple IECs against a single PAN, if not surrendered before 31.3.2015, will be deactivated.

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