

### **3.4 Removal of goods from the Export Processing Area of a Zone to Tariff Area:**

- a) Removal of goods from any bonded warehouse in the Export Processing Area of a Zone for home consumption may be restricted to only such goods as may be prescribed by the Authority and authorized by the Board. The quantity of the goods for removal will be determined by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond), but it shall not exceed more than 20% of the export volume of the concerned bonded warehouse in the previous fiscal year.
- b) Any goods permitted by the Board for entry into the domestic market of the Tariff Area under sub-clause 3.4.(a) may be taken out of the Zone after fulfilling all requirements prescribed under the Act and the rules made there under for import of goods from out of Bangladesh into the Tariff Area.
- c) For the purpose of determination of value and the rate of duties and other taxes applicable to goods removed for home consumption shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules made there under.

## **4. Procedures in relation to Domestic Processing Area of the Zone**

### **4.1 Import of Goods into the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone:-**

- a) Subject to Sub-clause 4.1 (g) and 4.1(h), any goods may be imported into a Zone from outside Bangladesh or from the Tariff Area or from any Export Processing Zone or from another Zone.
- b) A separate bill of entry in respect to goods imported into any bonded warehouse in the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone along with other documents showing details of other goods as required under the Act and the rules made there under shall be presented to the Commissioner of Customs (Bond) for assessment and clearance.
- c) Goods imported into any bonded warehouse in the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone shall be assessed in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Act and the rules made there under.
- d) Goods which are entitled to exemption of Customs duties and Value Added Tax on exportation by the government under the Act shall qualify for such exemption when imported by any bonded warehouse in the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone.
- e) Goods imported for any Bonded warehouse in the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone shall be admitted into the Zone with assessment as per Customs procedure but Customs duty, Regulatory Duty, Supplementary Duty, Value Added Tax and Advanced Income Tax (if applicable) will be realized at the time of giving permission for domestic sale.
- f) All goods cleared shall be secured and forwarded to the Zone under Customs supervision and a pass shall be sent with the goods specifying the name of the importer and clearing agent, if any, number of conveyance, description and quantity of goods with the marks and

numbers and contents thereof and on receipt of the goods in the Zone, the officer of Customs allowing the goods to enter the Zone shall retain the pass.

- g) Admission of goods imported for a Zone shall not be refused except when the goods are liable to restrictions or prohibitions imposed on the grounds of public morality or order, public security, public hygiene or health of for veterinary or phyto-pathological consideration or relating to protections of patent, trade mark or copy rights .
- h) Hazardous goods may be allowed to be admitted to a Zone only when an area specially designed for its storage is made available within the Zone.
- i) Goods admitted to a Zone may remain there for such period as per the provisions of the Act.

#### **4.2 Introduction of Goods into the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone from Tariff Area:**

- a) Goods from the Tariff Area required for further processing in the Domestic Processing Area of the Zone shall be admitted after completion of export formalities which are normally observed for export out of the country.
- b) Goods which are entitled to exemption or repayment of Customs duties and Value Added Tax on exportation shall qualify for such exemption of repayment immediately after these have been admitted into a Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules made there under.
- c) Goods admitted into any Bonded warehouse in the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone shall be assessed as per Customs procedure for record keeping purpose but no demand note will be issued for duty and taxes, if any, until goods are processed and released for sale in the domestic market.

#### **4.3 Export of Goods from the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone:**

- a) Any bonded warehouse in the Domestic Processing Area exporting goods from a Zone shall follow the export procedure as laid down in the Act and the Rules made there under.
- b) Goods cleared for export shall be secured and forwarded to the Customs station under Customs supervision, and a pass shall be sent with the goods, specifying the name of the importer and the clearing agent, if any, number of conveyance, description and quantity of goods with the marks and number and contents thereof, and on receipt of the goods at the Customs stations, the officer of Customs allowing the export of goods shall retain the pass.
- c) All Customs formalities regarding removal of goods from the Domestic Processing Area shall be completed at the Customs stations or at any place within the Zone approved for this purpose by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond).

#### **4.4 Removal of goods from the Domestic Processing Area of a Zone to Tariff Area:**

- a) Removal of goods from a Zone for home consumption may be restricted to only such goods as may be prescribed by the Authority and authorized by the Board.
- b) Any goods permitted by the Board for entry into the domestic market or Domestic Tariff Area under sub-clause 4.4(a) may be taken out of the Zone after fulfilling all requirements prescribed under the Act and the rules made there under for import of goods from out of Bangladesh into the Tariff Area.
- c) For the purpose of determination of value and the rate of duties and other taxes applicable to goods removed for home consumption shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules made there under.

#### **5. Procedures in relation to Commercial Area of the Zone**

- a) The Commissioner of Customs (Bond) may provide bond licence to any export processing unit and domestic processing unit established in the commercial area of the Zone.
- b) The Commissioner of Customs (Bond) may also provide bond licence to warehouse operators established in the commercial area of the Zone who will import raw materials or semi-finished materials for storing and exporting thereof to bonded warehouses in the Zone, any Export Processing Zone and bonded warehouses in the Tariff Area. The bonding period of the materials admissible in such warehouse shall be determined as per the provisions of the Act in relation to the nature of the bonded warehouses the materials are finally destined to. But, the whole period of warehousing shall comprise the period of stay in such warehouse and the period of stay in the bonded warehouse of final user. The whole period of warehousing shall not exceed the bonding period as mentioned in the Act.
- c) Subject to sub-clause 5(a) and (b), the Commissioner of Customs (Bond) will not provide bond licence to any bank, financial institution or business office of any kind. But, they shall enjoy privileges in relation with duty and tax as applicable for them for establishing their office in the Zone.
- d) For use in any area of the Zone other than raw materials or semi-finished materials, the Board may, from time to time, as prescribed by the Authority, specify the list of goods to be imported without paying any duty or tax by notification in the official gazette as per the provisions of the Act.

#### **6. Inter-bond Transfer:**

- a) Inter-bond transfer of imported raw materials or semi-finished materials, both temporary and permanent, may be allowed by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond) or any other officer of Customs authorized by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond) in such manner as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond).
- b) Subject to sub-clause 6(a), each inter-bond transfer of imported raw materials or semi-finished materials which are permitted for by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond) or any other officer of Customs authorized by the Commissioner of Customs (Bond) shall be entered in the Customs passbooks or bond registers of both the transferor and the transferee which are preserved either in the importing Customs House/Customs station or in the Customs Bond Commissionerate.