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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs
(Investigation – Customs)

New Delhi-110001, Dated: 04/03/2022

To,

All Principal Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners of Customs/Customs (Preventive);
All Principal Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners of Customs & GST;
All Principal Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners of GST;

Madam/ Sir,

Sub: Toolkit for Anti-evasion/Preventive teams - reg.

With a view to enhance the efficiency and professionalism of officers/teams deployed for carrying out anti-evasion/anti-smuggling work, particularly when they are required to search premises, vehicles; verify a stock of goods; draw up a *panchnama* or to arrest a person away from their office premises, Board has received a suggestion that a standard toolkit may be provided.

2. In this regard, the undersigned is directed to say that officers/teams deployed for such work in Customs or CGST formations may be equipped with a suitable toolkit. A tentative list of items which could be considered for inclusion in the toolkit is given as Annexure-A. The list is suggestive in nature and may be modified so as to suit local needs.

4. Difficulties faced/suggestions, if any, may kindly be brought to the attention of the undersigned.

Yours Sincerely,

Encl. As above

(Dr RAJI N. S.)
Deputy Commissioner (Inv. - Cus)

Annexure-A

Suggested list of items in toolkit for Anti evasion:

- i. Battery Power Banks;
- ii. Binoculars;
- iii. Car Inverter to operate Printer etc. independently;
- iv. Comprehensive First Aid box;
- v. Drug Detection/ Narcotics test kit;
- vi. Fabric thickness gauge;
- vii. Faraday Bag (cuts off Mobile etc. from any sort of radio-waves and prevents remote tampering/ Deletion of Data of mobile etc.);
- viii. File kit containing Copies of Summons, Panchnama, Test Memo etc.;
- ix. GPS Tracker;
- x. Hand held metal detector;
- xi. High Power LED Torch;
- xii. High precision digital weighing machine, closed door;
- xiii. Modern Search Lights;
- xiv. Multipurpose Screwdriver set;
- xv. Night vision devices;
- xvi. Stationery (Scissor, Stapler, Pen, Marker, Cello tape etc.);
- xvii. Swiss Knife;
- xviii. Videoscope