

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
(REVENUE DIVISION)
FEDERAL BOARD OF REVENUE

Islamabad, the 30th March, 2020.

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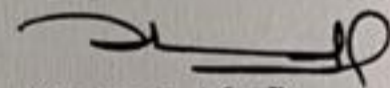
The Chief Collectors of Customs
(Appraisalment)/(Enforcement)South, Karachi
(Appraisalment)/(Enforcement)Central, Lahore
(Balochistan), Quetta/ (North), Islamabad

SUBJECT:- EXTENSION IN TIME LIMIT FOR FILING OF GOODS DECLARATION

I am directed to state that although the collectorates of customs across Pakistan are operating normally, however, on account of the on going lockdown by provincial governments to address the prevailing pandemic of COVID-19, the importers and clearing agents are facing hardship in filing of goods declaration within the time limit prescribed under section 79(1) read with section 156(1) (47A) of the Customs Act, 1969. The consequent penalty on this account is causing undue hardship to the traders as the circumstances for late filing is, prima facie, beyond their control.

2. Requests have also been received from the Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) and Karachi Chamber of Commerce & Industry (KCCI), for extension in said time limit for filing of goods declarations.

3. In order to facilitate the trade, the Federal Board of Revenue is pleased to extend the time for filing of goods declaration in exercise of powers under section 224 of the Customs Act, 1969, from the existing 10 days of arrival of goods, as prescribed under section 79(1) of the Customs Act, 1969 to further 15 days (total 25 days) for all IGMs filed between 17th March, 2020 and 7th April, 2020.



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5. The President, Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) Karachi
6. The President, Karachi Chamber of Commerce & Industry (KCCI), Karachi