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F.No. Air Cus/40/07/(93)/2024-RTI		Date of order:09-10-2024

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Mr. Pavan Kumar Srigundugurthi, (hereinafter referred as the applicant) had filed online application vide registration No. CCUM3/R/T/24/00060 dated 19/09/2024, under the Right to Information Act, 2005. Vide this application the information sought is reproduced verbatim:-

“1. Customs Disposal Manual 2019: Please confirm whether the Customs Disposal Manual released on 18th December 2019 by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), under the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, is the latest and most current version. If a newer version or any amendments that supersede the 2019 manual have been issued, kindly provide the relevant details, including the release date and access to the document (e.g. website link).

2. Clarification on 4th e-Auction Procedures under Section 48 of the Customs Act: I seek clarification on the procedures defined for the 4th e-Auction conducted via the MSTC Online e-Auctioning platform. As per Circular No. 49/2018-Customs - F.No.450/179/2017-Cus.IV, dated 3rd December 2018, Page 3, Point (xiv), and the Customs Disposal Manual of 2019, Page 49, Point (xii), it is stated that: In the 4th Auction, if there is a Highest Bidder, the lot(s) shall be necessarily sold to the highest bidder regardless of whether the Reserve Price has been met or not.

I request confirmation on whether the Customs Department is required to strictly adhere to these guidelines during the 4th e-Auction, regardless of the reserve price being met. This clarification is essential to ensure transparency and compliance with the customs procedures outlined in the rules governing auctions conducted through the MSTC Online e-Auctioning platform. Please provide the requested information within the time frame stipulated by the RTI Act, 2005.”

2. The information received from concerned section is reproduced below:

“i). The Customs Disposal Manual released on 18th December 2019 by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), under the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, is the latest and most current version

ii). The process of disposal of the goods in Customs Department has been carried out as per the guidelines stipulated under the Customs Disposal Manual, 2019.”

3. The RTI Application dated 19/09/2024 is accordingly disposed of. An Appeal under Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005 against this order lies before Ms. Nancy D'souza, Addl. Commissioner of Customs & First Appellate Authority, CSMI Airport, Mumbai – 400099, Maharashtra within 30 days of receipt of this order.

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2. Copy submitted to – The First Appellate Authority (FAA), C.S.M.I Airport,
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