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|  | <p>प्रधानआयुक्तसीमाशुल्क(निवारक)काकार्यालय OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (PREVENTIVE) निपटानअनुभाग, तलाशीऔरआसूचनाइकाई, बलार्डइस्टेट DISPOSAL SECTION, RUMMAGING AND INTELLIGENCE BALLARD ESTATE नवीनसीमाशुल्कभवन, मुंबई – 400 001 NEW CUSTOM HOUSE – MUMBAI – 400 001 Email: disposal-prev@gov.in Tel No. 022-22620631</p> |
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F. NO.

Date:-26.11.2025

To,
The Director, Foreign Publicity Division,
Ministry of External Affairs,
New Delhi.

Sir/Madam,

Subject: Request for Foreign Publicity of E-Auction of Diamond and Yellow Sapphire Stones through MSTC – Regarding

This office i.e. the Customs Preventive Commissionerate, Mumbai has been designated as the nodal Commissionerate in India for the disposal of diamonds and precious stones that have been seized and confiscated under the Customs Act across India, in accordance with the provisions of the Disposal Manual, 2019 issued by CBIC.

2. In this regard, the Commissionerate is in the process of conducting an e-auction of Diamond and Yellow Sapphire Stones through MSTC Limited, scheduled to be held on 09.12.2025. As per the departmental guidelines widespread publicity - both within India and abroad is mandatory for auctions involving diamonds and precious stones. This is to ensure wider participation, especially from overseas buyers, in order to secure the best possible price and maintain greater transparency in the disposal process through e-auction.

3. In compliance with the above requirement, the department solicits your kind help in giving widespread foreign publicity through the MEA website in countries which import diamonds from India.

4. Accordingly, it is requested that the Auction Notice (enclosed) may kindly be displayed on the official websites of Indian Embassies/Consulates in the following countries, namely: Hong Kong, United Arab Emirates, United States of America, Belgium, Israel, Thailand, United Kingdom, France, Australia, and Switzerland. The wide publicity of the auction in these countries will facilitate broader participation and ensure transparency in the sale process to secure the best possible price during disposal through e-auction.

This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Mumbai.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Encl: As above

Naresh Kumar Tiwari
Deputy Commissioner of Customs (P)