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	सातवाँ तल, केंद्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क भवन,
	पोलिटेकनिक के पास, अम्बाबाडी,
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- अपील आदेश संख्या Order-In-Appeal Nos. AHM-EXCUS-001-APP-022-2016-17 ख दिनॉंक Date: 28.10.2016 जारी करने की तारीख Date of Issue 11.2016
 - श्री उमा शंकर आयुक्त (अपील-I) द्वारा पारित Passed by Shri Uma Shanker, Commissioner (Appeal-I)
- Joint Commissioner, केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क,A'bad-I द्वारा जारी मूल आदेश सं 24/CX-ग I/Ahmd/JC/MK/2015-16 दिनाँक: 06.11.2015 से सृजित

Arising out of Order-in-Original No. 24/CX-I/Ahmd/JC/MK/2015-16 Dated : 06.11.2015 issued by Joint Commissioner, Central Excise, Ahmedabad-I

अपीलकर्ता का नाम एवं पता Name & Address of the Appellant / Respondent ध

M/s. Leistung Engineering Pvt.Ltd., Ahmedabad

कोई व्यक्ति इस अपील आदेश से असंतोष अनुभव करता है तो वह इस आदेश के प्रति यथास्थिति नीचे बताए गए सक्षम अधिकारी को अपील या पुनरीक्षण आवेदन प्रस्तुत कर सकता है।

Any person a aggrieved by this Order-In-Appeal may file an appeal or revision application, as the one may be against such order, to the appropriate authority in the following way :

भारत सरकार का पुनरीक्षण आवेदन Revision application to Government of India

(1) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क अधिनियम, 1994 की धारा अत्तत नीई बताए गए मामलों के बारे में पूर्वोक्त धारा को उप–धारा के प्रथम परन्तुक के अंतर्गत पुनरीक्षण आवेदन अधीन सचिव भारत सरकार, वित्त मंत्रालय, राजस्व विभाग, चौथी मंजिल, जीवन दीप भवन, संसद मार्ग, नई डिल्ली : 110001 की की जी जानी चाहिए।

(i) A revision application lies to the Under Secretary, to the Govt. of India, Revision Application Unit Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, 4th Floor, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110 001 under Section 35EE of the CEA 944 in respect of the following case, governed by first proviso to sub-section (1) of Section-35 ibid :

यदि माल की हानि के मामले में जब ऐसी हानि कारखाने से किसी भण्डागार या अन्य कारखाने में या किसी (ii) भण्डागार से दूसरे भण्डागार में माल ले जाते हुए मार्ग में, या किसी भण्डागार या भण्डार में चाहे वह किसी कारखाने में या किसी भण्डागार में हो माल की प्रकिया के दौरान हुई हो।

In case of any loss of goods where the loss occur in transit from a factory to a warehouse or to (ii) another factory or from one warehouse to another during the course of processing of the goods in a warehouse or in storage whether in a factory or in a warehouse.

भारत के बाहर किसी राष्ट्र या प्रदेश में निर्यातित माल पर या माल के विनिर्माण में उपयोग शुल्क कच्चे (ख) माल पर उत्पादन शुल्क के रिबेट के मामलें में जो भारत के बाहर किसी राष्ट्र या प्रदेश में निर्यातित है।

- In case of rebate of duty of excise on goods exported to any country or territory outside (b) India of on excisable material used in the manufacture of the goods which are exported to any country or territory outside India.
- यदि शुल्क का भुगतान किए बिना भारत के बाहर (नेपाल या भूटान को) निर्यात किया गया माल हो। (ग)

(c) In case of goods exported outside India export to Nepal or Bhutan, without payment of duty.

अंतिम उत्पादन की उत्पादन शुल्क के भुगतान के लिए जो डयूटी केंडिट मान्य की गई है और ऐसे आदेश जो इस धारा एवं नियम के मुताबिक आयुक्त, अपील के द्वारा पारित वो समय पर या बाद में वित्त अधिनियम (नं.2) 1998 धारा 109 द्वारा नियुक्त किए गए हो।

- (d) Credit of any duty allowed to be utilized towards payment of excise duty on final products under the provisions of this Act or the Rules made there under and such order is passed by the Commissioner (Appeals) on or after, the date appointed under Sec.109 of the Finance (No.2) Act, 1998.
- (1) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क (अपील) नियमावली, 2001 के नियम 9 के अतर्गत विनिर्दिष्ट प्रपत्र संख्या इए–8 में दो प्रतियों में, प्रेषित आदेश के प्रति आदेश प्रेषित दिनाँक से तीन मास के भीतर मूल–आदेश एवं अपील आदेश की दो–दो प्रतियों के साथ उचित आवेदन किया जाना चाहिए। उसके साथ खाता इ. का मुख्यशीर्ष के अंतर्गत धारा 35–इ में निर्धारित फी के भुगतान के सबूत के साथ टीआर–6 चालान की प्रति भी होनी चाहिए।

The above application shall be made in duplicate in Form No. EA-8 as specified under Rule, 9 of Central Excise (Appeals) Rules, 2001 within 3 months from the date on which the order sought to be appealed against is communicated and shall be accompanied by two copies each of the OIO and Order-In-Appeal. It should also be accompanied by a copy of TR-6 Challan evidencing payment of prescribed fee as prescribed under Section 35-EE of CEA, 1944, under Major Head of Account.

(2) रिविजन आवेदन के साथ जहाँ संलग्न रकम एक लाख रूपये या उससे कम हो तो रूपये 200/– फीस भुगतान की जाए और जहाँ संलग्न रकम एक लाख से ज्यादा हो तो 1000/– की फीस भुगतान की जाए।

The revision application shall be accompanied by a fee of Rs.200/- where the amount involved is Rupees One Lac or less and Rs.1,000/- where the amount involved is more than Rupees One Lac.

सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण के प्रति अपीलः– Appeal to Custom, Excise, & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

(1) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क अधिनियम, 1944 की धारा 35–बी/35–इ के अंतर्गतः–

Under Section 35B/ 35E of CEA, 1944 an appeal lies to :-

- (क) वर्गीकरण मूल्यांकन से संबंधित सभी मामले सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण की विशेष पीठिका वेस्ट ब्लॉक नं. 3. आर. के. पुरम, नई दिल्ली को एवं
- (a) the special bench of Custom, Excise & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal of West Block No.2, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-1 in all matters relating to classification valuation and.
- (ख) उक्तलिखित परिच्छेद 2 (1) क में बताए अनुसार के अलावा की अपील, अपीलो के मामले में सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण <u>(सिस्टेट</u>) की पश्चिम क्षेत्रीय पीठिका, अहमदाबाद में ओ–20, न्यू मैन्टल हास्पिटल कम्पाउण्ड, मेघाणी नगर, अहमदाबाद–380016
- (b) To the west regional bench of Customs, Excise & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal (CESTAT) at O-20, New Metal Hospital Compound, Meghani Nagar, Ahmedabad : 380 016. in case of appeals other than as mentioned in para-2(i) (a) above.
- (2) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क (अपील) नियमावली, 2001 की धारा 6 के अंतर्गत प्रपन्न इ.ए–3 में निर्धारित किए अनुसार अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरणें की गई अपील के विरुद्ध अपील किए गए आदेश की चार प्रतियाँ सहित जहाँ उत्पाद शुल्क की मांग, ब्याज की मांग ओर लगाया गया जुर्माना रूपए 5 लाख या उससे कम है वहां रूपए 1000/– फीस भेजनी होगी। जहाँ उत्पाद शुल्क की मांग, ब्याज की मांग ओर लगाया गया जुर्माना रूपए 5 लाख या 50 लाख तक हो तो रूपए 5000/– फीस भेजनी होगी। जहाँ उत्पाद शुल्क की मांग, ब्याज की मांग ओर लगाया गया जुर्माना रूपए 50 लाख या उससे ज्यादा है वहां रूपए 1000/– फीस भेजनी होगी। की फीस सहायक रजिस्टार के नाम से रेखाकित बैंक ड्राफ्ट के रूप में संबंध की जाये। यह ड्राफ्ट उस स्थान के किसी नामित सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के बैंक की शाखा का हो जहाँ उक्त न्यायाधिकरण की पीठ स्थित है।

The appeal to the Appellate Tribunal shall be filed in quadruplicate in form EA-3 as prescribed under Rule 6 of Central Excise(Appeal) Rules, 2001 and shall be accompanied against (one which at least should be accompanied by a fee of Rs.1,000/-, Rs.5,000/- and Rs.10,000/- where amount of duty / penalty / demand / refund is upto 5 Lac, 5 Lac to 50 Lac and above 50 Lac respectively in the form of crossed bank draft in favour of Asstt. Registar of a branch of any nominate public sector bank of the place where the bench of any nominate public sector bank of the place where the bench of the Tribunal is situated.

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यदि इस आदेश में कई मूल आदेशों का समावेश होता है तो प्रत्येक मूल ओदश के लिए फीस का भुगतान उपर्युक्त (3)ढंग से किया जाना चाहिए इस तथ्य के होते हुए भी कि लिखा पढी कार्य से बचने के लिए यथास्थिति अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण को एक अपील या केन्द्रीय सरकार को एक आवेदन किया जाता हैं।

In case of the order covers a number of order-in-Original, fee for each O.I.O. should be paid in the aforesaid manner not withstanding the fact that the one appeal to the Appellant Tribunal or the one application to the Central Govt. As the case may be, is filled to avoid scriptoria work if excising Rs. 1 lacs fee of Rs.100/- for each.

न्यायालय शुल्क अधिनियम् १९७० यथा संशोधित की अनुसूचि-1 के अंतर्गत निर्धारित किए अनुसार उक्त आवेदन या (4) मूल आदेश यथास्थिति निर्णयन प्राधिकारी के आदेश में से प्रत्येक की एक प्रति पर रू.6.50 पैसे का न्यायालय शुल्क टिंकट लगा होना चाहिए।

One copy of application or O.I.O. as the case may be, and the order of the adjournment authority shall a court fee stamp of Rs.6.50 paise as prescribed under scheduled-I item of the court fee Act, 1975 as amended.

इन ओर संबंधित मामलों को नियंत्रण करने वाले नियमों की ओर भी ध्यान आकर्षित किया जाता है जो सीमा शुल्क, (5)केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण (कार्याविधि) नियम, 1982 में निहित है।

Attention in invited to the rules covering these and other related matter contended in the Customs, Excise & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1982.

सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण <u>(सिस्टेट)</u>, के प्रति अपीलो के मामले में (6) कर्तव्य मांग (Demand) एवं दंड (Penalty) का 10% पूर्व जमा करना अनिवार्य है। हालांकि, अधिकतम पूर्व जमा 10 करोड़ रुपए है।(Section 35 F of the Central Excise Act, 1944, Section 83 & Section 86 of the Finance Act, 1994)

केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क और सेवा कर के अंतर्गत, शामिल होगा "कर्तव्य की मांग"(Duty Demanded) -

- (Section) खंड 111) के तहत निर्धारित राशि; (i)
- लिया गलत सेनवैट क्रेडिट की राशि; (ii)
- सेनवैट क्रेडिट नियमों के नियम 6 के तहत देय राशि. (iii)

🗢 यह पूर्व जमा 'लंबित अपील' में पहले पूर्व जमा की तुलना में, अपील' दाखिल करने के लिए पूर्व शर्त बना दिया गया है .

For an appeal to be filed before the CESTAT, 10% of the Duty & Penalty confirmed by the Appellate Commissioner would have to be pre-deposited. It may be noted that the pre-deposit is a mandatory condition for filing appeal before CESTAT. (Section 35 C (2A) and 35 F of the Central Excise Act, 1944, Section 83 & Section 86 of the Finance Act, 1994)

Under Central Excise and Service Tax, "Duty demanded" shall include:

- amount determined under Section 11 D; (i)
 - amount of erroneous Cenvat Credit taken; (ii)
 - amount payable under Rule 6 of the Cenvat Credit Rules. (iii)

इस सन्दर्भ में इस आदेश के प्रति अपील प्राधिकरण के समक्ष जहाँ शुल्क अथवा शुल्क या दण्ड विवादित हो तो माँग किए गए शुल्क के 10% भुगतान पर और जहाँ केवल दण्ड विवादित हो तब दण्ड के 10% भुगतान पर की जा सकती है।

In view of above, an appeal against this order shall lie before the Tribunal on payment of 10% of the duty demanded where duty or duty and penalty are in dispute, or penalty, where penalty alone is in dispute."

ORDER-IN-APPEAL

M/s. Leistung Engineering Private Limited, 3/103, NIDC, Near Bhammariya Kuva, Lambha, Ahmedabad (for short - "*appellant*") has filed this appeal against OIO No. 24/CX-I/Ahmd/JC/MK/2015 dated 6.11.2015, passed by the Joint Commissioner, Central Excise, Ahmedabad–I Commissionerate (for short -"*adjudicating authority*").

2. Briefly stated, the facts are that a case was booked by Central Excise Preventive, Ahmedabad-I, against the appellant alleging that they were manufacturing <u>parts</u> of water filtration machinery and clearing the same in the guise of water filtration or purification <u>equipment</u> by classifying it under 8421.21, instead of 8421.99 and thereby wrongly availing the benefit notification No. 6/2006-CE dated 1.3.2006 as amended vide notification No. 12/2012 dated 17.3.2012. Two show cause notice dated 22.10.2013 and 4.4.2014, were issued, covering the period from April, 2010 to January 2014. These notices were adjudicated vide OIO dated 28.10.2014, wherein the Commissioner, Central Excise, Ahmedabad-I, confirmed the demand along with interest and imposed penalty on the appellant and the Director of the appellant.

2.1 This appeal is however, against the OIO dated 6.11.2015, covering the period from <u>February 2014 to September 2014</u>, wherein the adjudicating authority has again confirmed the demand along with interest and imposed penalty on the appellant.

3. Feeling aggrieved, the appellant has filed this appeal on the following grounds:

- that 'water purification system' or 'water purification plant' is different from water filtration equipment; that filter housing is water filtration equipment;
- that water filtration or purification <u>system</u> is different from a water filtration or purification equipment; that the exemption is for water filtration or purification equipment and not for the whole water purification system. that filter housing is an equipment and can by itself purify water; that a water filtration or purification equipment can be used for producing a whole water purification system;
- that a water purification plant or a water purification system consists of various parts including filter housing, which even otherwise is a standalone water purification equipment; that such equipment could not have been classified as part of filtering or purifying machinery apparatus;
- that classification under heading 842121 is for machinery and apparatus for filtering or purifying water;
- the definition of 'part' as quoted in the OIO was not provided in the show cause notice and hence they could not counter the argument, thus violating the principles of natural justice;
- Tariff heading 8421 states that filter housing could not be considered to be a part of filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus;
- that filter housing is equipment for water filtration and are used to get a dust free and clean water;
- that imposition of penalty is wholly illegal and deserves to be set aside.

4. Personal hearing was held on 19.10.2016. Shri Amal Dave, Advocate, appeared on behalf of the appellant and reiterated the submission advanced in their grounds of appeal. He also submitted a copy of the OIO No. AHM-EXCUS-001-COM-003-14-15 dated 28.10.2014, passed by the Commissioner, Central Excise, Ahmedabad-I [*referred to above in*]

para 2, supral and further informed, that the appellants are in appeal against the said OIO before the Hon'ble Tribunal.

5. I have gone through the facts of the case, the appellant's grounds of appeal, and submissions during the course of personal hearing. The primary issue to be decided in this appeal is whether products manufactured and cleared by the appellant are water filtration or purifier equipments or whether they are only parts of the water filtration or purifier equipments. This would enable us to come to a conclusion as to whether the appellant is eligible for the benefit of exemption notification.

5.1 The relevant extracts of Chapter 84 of the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985 and the exemption notification, is reproduced below for ease of reference :

Chapter No.	Description					
	-Filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus for liquids					
842121	For filtering or purifying water					
84212110	lon exchanger plant or apparatus					
84212120	Household type filters					
84212190	Other					
	-Parts :					
84219100	Of centrifuges, including centrifugal dryers					
84219900	Other					

Chapter 84 of the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985

Notification No. 6/2006-CE dated 1.3.2006 as amended vide notification No. 12/2012 dated 17.3.2012

Sr. No. 8D 842121	Water filtration or purification	8%	Notification No. 6/2006-CE dtd 1.3.2006 as amended by 6/2008 dated 1.3.2008.
	equipment	4%	Notification No. 6/2006-CE dtd 1.3.2006 as amended by 58/2008 dated 7.12.2008.
		5%	Notification No. 6/2006-CE dtd 1.3.2006 as amended by 6/2011 dated 1.3.2011.
Sr. No. 240 842121	-do-	6%	Notification No. 12/2012 dated 17.3.2012.

6. The appellant is engaged in the manufacture of *Industrial Valve* and various types of *Filter Housings* and *parts thereof* falling under Chapter 84 of the first schedule to Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985. They were clearing the <u>industrial valve</u> at full rate of duty and <u>filter housing</u> and parts thereof at concessional rate, after availing the benefit of notification No. 6/2006-CE dated 1.3.2006, as amended by trotification No. 12/2012 dated 17.3.2012.

7. The appellant has disputed the classification of strainer filter housing, bag filter housing, reverse osmosis filter housing and sparkler housing stating that these are equipments and not parts as alleged and confirmed by Revenue. In respect of their products *viz* Gasket, Flange, Valves, Pressure Gauge, Heater cover, the appellant has not countered

the allegation, which means that the appellant accepts that these are parts and not equipments, and therefore, ineligible for the benefit of the exemption notification, supra.

The adjudicating authority in the present dispute has classified the filter housings 8. under chapter sub heading no. 84219900 and has denied the benefit of the exemption notification, ibid, on the findings that:

- "part" as per Circular No. 231/65/96-Cx dated 12.7.1996, as defined under FTP 2009-2014 and as per various dictionary would mean a portion, division, section, piece, feature, segment or component or a machine or structure or something else;
- that housings as such are interdependent and an inlet of a housing is connected with outlet of another housing;
- that as per the certificate of M/s. B G Bhatt and Company, a Chartered Engineer, outlet of strainer filter is inlet for bag filter; outlet of bag filter is inlet for cartridge filter and outlet for cartridge filter is inlet for reverse osmosis filter; that the sparkler filter is an optional filter:
- that the filter housings are nothing but an element of sub-assembly or assembly; that they can also be called components of water purification system and have a very restricted use when used as a stand along item or equipment;
- items under dispute are parts of system and in normal circumstances cannot be put to use by the end user for stand-alone functions of a water purifying equipment;
- that the filter housing are sold by the appellant to various traders who in turn sell these housings as parts to be used in a water purifying plants.

The appellant has not refuted any of the aforementioned findings given by the 9. adjudicating authority. Annexure-E, said to be enclosed with the grounds of appeal containing opinion/certification from chartered engineers having experience and knowledge about water filtration and purification equipment as well as water purification plants, has not been enclosed with the appeal papers. The appellant has only contested the appeal, on the grounds that the department has mis-conceived the whole thing; that the exemption was not for the water filtration or purification system but for water filtration or purification equipment. The whole argument presented by the adjudicating authority that the goods viz. housing filters were parts and not equipments has not been refuted. The term part is discussed threadbare by the adjudicating authority by taking its definition from various sources.

Equipment is not defined /discussed by the adjudicating authority. 10. The simple definition of 1 equipment is:

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- supplies or tools needed for a special purpose.
- the act of equipping someone or something

As per the Merriam Webster Dictionary, equipment means

- 1a: the set of articles or physical resources serving to equip a person or thing: as (1): the implements used in an operation or activity : <u>apparatus</u> <sports equipment> (2) : all the fixed assets other than land and buildings of a business enterprise (3): the rolling stock of a railway b: a piece of such equipment 2a: the equipping of a person or thin
- b: the state of being equipped
- 3: mental or emotional traits or resources : endowment

The functioning of filter housings, as described by the Chartered Engineer, relied upon by Revenue, does not fit into the definition of equipment as reproduced above. In-fact, it clearly fits into the definition of part, as defined in the impugned OIO.

10. The Hon'ble Tribunal in the case of M/s. Poonam Spark Private Limited [2004(164) ELT 282], while discussing a case involving the question of manufacture of a similar good dwelled upon how a water purification and filteration system comes into existence. The relevant paras are quoted below for ease of reference:

7.We have considered the submissions of both the sides. It is settled law that duty of excise is leviable on the goods manufactured. It has been held by the Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court in Union of India v. Delhi Cloth & General Mills, 1977 (1) <u>E.L.T.</u> (J199) (S.C.), that "Manufacture implies a change, but every change is not manufacture something more is necessary and there must be transformation; a new and different article must emerge having distinctive name, character or use." We observe from the Memorandum of Appeal that M/s. Perfect Drug Ltd. supply to the Appellants the following :

(i)Filter Housing Cartridge (ii)U.V. Units (iii)Timer (iv)Mounting Plate and Screws (v)Tubings and Fittings

The Appellants then make the following types of water Purification and Filteration System (WPFS)

(a) WPFS with Dual Cartridges, (b) WPFS with Single Cartridge, (c) WPFS with Single Cartridge and Electronic Control Unit

It is also mentioned in the Memorandum of Appeal that filter housing and cartridge are imported by M/s. Perfect Drug Ltd. through M/s. Cuno Asia Pvt. Ltd., Singapore and U.V. based Filteration and Purification unit from Rathi Brothers/IWT Poona. The choice of cartridge depends upon the basis of filteration, the operating conditions and the customer's ability to afford the particular type of cartridge, etc. The Appellants undertake the job of assembling all the items received from M/s. Perfect Drug Ltd. on a base plate and thus brings into existence a new and commercially different commodity known as Water Purification and Filteration System. Thus the activity undertaken amounts to manufacture within the meaning of Section 2(f) of the Central Excise Act. It has been held by the Supreme Court in Empire Industries v. Union of India, 1985 (20) <u>E.L.T.</u> 179 (S.C.) that it is not the nature of the process or activity which determines the issue but the end result of that process or activity i.e. whether or not a new and different commercial product comes into existence thereby. The decision in the case of Rubicon Steels is not applicable as in that matter the Appellants, therein, were attaching angles, rods and locks on outer door and were not bringing into existence any new product having a new name, character or use.

The aforementioned items go into making of a water purification and filtration system. It is not understood how the appellant claims that filter housing, by itself is water filtration or purification equipment. The claim does not appear to be correctal If the filter housing were by itself a water filtration or purification equipment, than surely the other parts as mentioned above would not be required to form a water filtration or purification system – when the end function of both the system and housing filter is supposed to be the same i.e. purification of water.

11. Filter housings are routinely imported into India. On going through Zaumba website, which provides the details of imports, it is learnt that the said goods were imported under HS code 84219900. The filter housings have in-fact been classified under this

chapter sub-heading as part instead of water filtration equipment. The data in respect of recent imports is reproduced below for ease of reference.

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Date	HS Code	Description	Origin Country	Port of Discharge	Unit	Quantity
24-Oct- 2016	84219900	FILTER HOUSING, PART NO 6010667 (PARTS FOR PUMP) (ONLY FOR CAPTIVE USE)	China	Nhava Sheva Sea	PCS	18,963
24-Oct- 2016	84219900	FILTER HOUSING, PART NO 6010667 (PARTS FOR PUMP) (ONLY FOR CAPTIVE USE)	China	Nhava Sheva Sea	PCS	5,741

[[]source https://www.zauba.com/import-filter-housing-hs-code.html]

12. In view of the foregoing, the classification of filter housing under chapter sub-heading 84219900 as part is therefore, upheld. Consequently, it goes without saying that the appellant is not eligible for the benefit of the exemption notification, supra.

13. The appellant has also questioned the imposition of penalty under Rule 25 of the Central Excise Rules, 2002 read with Section 11AC(1)(a) of the Central Excise Act, 1944 on the grounds that there is no contravention of the provisions of the Rules; that they had not acted dishonestly or contumaciously. The grounds advanced by the appellant are not correct in so far as the goods have already been held to be liable for confiscation by the adjudicating authority. Since, the benefit of the notification is wrongly availed, I find that imposition of penalty under Rule 25 is correct, and needs no intervention and is therefore, upheld.

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14. In view of the foregoing, the OIO is upheld and the appeal is rejected.

15.अपीलकर्ता द्वारा दर्ज की गई अपील का निपटारा उपरोक्त तरीके से किया जाता है।15.The appeal filed by the appellant stands disposed of in above terms.

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