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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE)

Notification No. 28/2016 – Central Excise

New Delhi, the 26th July, 2016

G.S.R. (E). – In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 5A of the Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944), the Central Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby makes the following further amendments in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) No. 8/2003-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i) *vide* number G.S.R. 138 (E) dated, the 1st March, 2003, namely:-

In the said notification,-

(a) in the Table, for serial number 3, and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be substituted, namely:-

(1)	(2)	(3)
c	' 3	First clearances of the articles of jewellery or parts of articles of jewellery or both for home consumption, other than articles of silver jewellery but inclusive of articles of silver jewellery studded with diamond, ruby, emerald or sapphire, falling under chapter heading 7113 of the First Schedule upto an aggregate value not exceeding ten crore rupees made on	Nil.";
		or after the 1 st day of April in any financial year, from the whole of the duty of excise specified thereon in the First Schedule: Provided that during the period starting from 1 st March, 2016 and ending on 31 st March, 2016, the exemption shall apply to the first clearances of the articles of jewellery or parts of articles of jewellery or both for home consumption, other than articles of silver jewellery but inclusive of articles of silver jewellery studded with diamond, ruby, emerald or sapphire, falling under chapter heading 7113 of the First Schedule, up to an aggregate value not exceeding eighty five lakh rupees.	

(b) in paragraph 2,-

(i) in sub-paragraph (iii), for the proviso, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that the manufacturer of the articles of jewellery or parts of articles of jewellery or both other than articles of silver jewellery but inclusive of articles of silver jewellery studded with diamond, ruby, emerald or sapphire, falling under chapter heading 7113 of the First Schedule shall not avail the credit of duty on inputs under rule 3 or rule 11 of the said rules, paid on inputs used in the manufacture of these goods cleared for home consumption, the aggregate value of first clearances of which, as calculated in the manner specified in the said Table does not exceed ten crore rupees:

Provided further that nothing contained in this sub-paragraph shall apply to the inputs used in the manufacture of specified goods bearing the brand name or trade name of another person, which are ineligible for the grant of this exemption in terms of paragraph 4;";

(ii) in sub-paragraph (iv), for the proviso, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that the manufacturer of the articles of jewellery or parts of articles of jewellery or both other than articles of silver jewellery but inclusive of articles of silver jewellery studded with diamond, ruby, emerald or sapphire, falling under chapter heading 7113 of the First Schedule also does not utilise the credit on capital goods under rule 3 or rule 11 of the said rules, paid on capital goods, for payment of duty, if any, on the aforesaid clearances, the aggregate value of first clearances of which does not exceed ten crore rupees, as calculated in the manner specified in the said Table;";

(iii)in sub-paragraph (vii), for the proviso, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that aggregate value of clearances of all excisable goods for home consumption by a manufacturer of the articles of jewellery or parts of articles of jewellery or both other than articles of silver jewellery but inclusive of articles of silver jewellery studded with diamond, ruby, emerald or sapphire, falling under chapter heading 7113 of the First Schedule, from one or more factory or premises of production or manufacture, or from a factory or premise of production or manufacture by one or more manufacturers, does not exceed rupees fifteen crore in the preceding financial year;";

(c) in paragraph 3, for the words beginning with "For the purposes of determining", and ending with "taken into account, namely:-", the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"For the purposes of determining the first clearances upto an aggregate value not exceeding one hundred and fifty lakh rupees made against serial number 1 or upto an aggregate value not exceeding ten crore rupees made against serial number 3, of the said Table, as the case may be, on or after the 1st day of April in any financial year, the following clearances shall not be taken into account, namely:-".

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Note:- The principal notification No. 8/2003-Central Excise, dated the 1st March, 2003, was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, vide number G.S.R. 138(E), dated the 1st March, 2012 and was last amended vide notification No. 8/2016-Central Excise, dated the 1st March, 2016, published vide number G.S.R. 225(E), dated the 1st March, 2016.