

F.No. 375/80/B/2016-RA GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE)

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Date of Issue 9/10/18...

Order No. 192/18-Cus dated 08^{-10} -2018 of the Government of India passed by Shri R.P.Sharma, Principal Commissioner & Additional Secretary to the Government of India, under Section 129DD of the Custom Act, 1962.

Subject

Revision Application filed, under Section 129DD of the Customs Act, 1962 against the Order-in-Appeal No. CC(A)CUS/D-I/Air/612/2016 dated 29.6.2016, passed by the Commissioner of Customs (Appeals), New Delhi

Applicant

Mr. Rajendra Bidiyasar, Distt. Nagaur, Rajasthan

Respondent:

Commissioner of Customs, NCH, New Delhi

ORDER

A Revision Application No.375/80/B/2016-R.A. dated 10/10/2016 is filed by Mr. Rajendra Bidiyasar, a resident of Village Jakhan, Distt. Nagaur, Rajasthan (hereinafter referred to as the applicant) against the OIA No.CC(A)CUS/D-I/Air/612/2015 dated 29.6.2016, passed by the Commissioner of Customs (Appeals), New Delhi, whereby the applicant's appeal filed against the Order of the Additional Commissioner of Customs, IGI Airport, New Delhi was rejected.

- 2. The revision application has been filed by the applicant with a request to allow redemption of the confiscated gold weighing 223.28 grams valued at Rs.575447/-on payment of redemption fine for their home consumption and to impose nominal penalty on the applicant for the reason that the applicant had not concealed the gold and the import of gold is not prohibited.
- 3. Personal hearing was held on 8.8.18 which was availed by Shri S.S.Arora, Advocate, for the applicant who reiterated the grounds of revision already pleaded in their application. However, no one appeared for the respondent and no request for any other date of hearing was also received from which it is implicit that the respondent is not interested in availing the personal availing.
- 4. The Government has examined the matter and it is observed at the outset that the revision application dated 10.10.16 was not accompanied by a fee of Rs.1000/- which was required to be paid in this case as per Section 129DD(3) of the Customs Act, 1962. As per this Section a fee of Rs.200/- is mandatorily to be accompanied along with the revision application where the amount of duty and interest demanded, fine or penalty levied by an Officer of Customs in the case to which the application relates is more than Rs.1.00 lakh. Since in this case the amount penalty is undisputedly more than Rs.1.00 lakh, the penalty being Rs.100000/-, a fee of Rs.200/- was required to be paid before revision application was filed. But no fee was paid prior to filing of the application and consequently the revision application filed by the applicant in breach of the above statutory condition cannot be considered to have been filed properly and no authority has been empowered to condone non compliance of this condition. An amount of Rs.1000/-

was, however, paid subsequently on 20.2.17 as per challan No.TR-6. But such late payment is not permitted under above Section and even if it is taken into account as payment of fee, the revision application will be considered to have been filed properly on 20.2.17 only when the amount of Rs.1000/- was paid by which this application was badly hit by time limitation as revision application can be filed within 3 months of the communication of the Order-in-Appeal only which was received by the applicant on 18.7.16 itself. No request for condonation of the delay in this case has been made by the applicant and even otherwise the delay of more than 3 months cannot be condoned by the Government in any circumstance. Since the fee of Rs.1000/- was paid as late as on 20.2.17 as against the receipt of the OIA on 18.7.16, the revision application cannot be considered to have been filed properly and in time.

5. Accordingly, the revision application is rejected as non maintainable for the above discussed reason.

(R.P.Sharma)

Additional Secretary to the Government of India

Mr. Rajendra Bidiyasar, R/o Village Jakhan, POP Khinyala, Tehsil Jayal, Distt. Nagaur, Rajasthan

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— (Ashish Tiwari)
Assistant Commissioner