

## GENERAL EXEMPTION 222

**Exemption to Anti-Retroviral Drugs (ARV Drugs) Diagnostics and Equipments :**  
[Notifn. No. 37/2015-Cus., dt. 10.6.2015]

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962), the Central Government, being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby exempts the goods mentioned in column (1) of the Table below of the description specified in column (2) of the said Table, when imported into India, from the whole of the duty of customs leviable thereon which is specified in the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 (51 of 1975) and from the whole of the additional duty leviable thereon under section 3 of the said Customs Tariff Act, subject to the condition that the importer produces, prior to clearance of the said goods, before the Assistant Commissioner of Customs or Deputy Commissioner of Customs having jurisdiction, a certificate from an officer not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to the effect that the said goods are required for the National AIDS Control Programme funded by Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM):-

TABLE

(1)	(2)
Goods	Description
Anti-Retroviral Drugs (ARV Drugs)	<p><b>Adult First Line</b> - Zidovudine 300 mg + Lamivudine 150 mg + Nevirapine 200 mg, Zidovudine 300 mg + Lamivudine 150 mg, Tenofovir 300 mg + Lamivudine 150 mg, Tenofovir 300 mg + Lamivudine 300 mg, Nevirapine 200 mg, Efavirenz 600 mg, Stavudine 30 mg + Lamivudine 150 mg + Nevirapine 200 mg, Stavudine 30 mg + Lamivudine 150 mg, Abacavir 600 mg + Lamivudine 300 mg and Tenofovir 300 mg + Lamivudine 300 mg + Efavirenz 600 mg</p> <p><b>Adult Second Line</b> - Atazanavir 300 mg Capsules, Ritonavir 100 mg tablets, Lopinavir 200 mg + Ritonavir 50 mg tablets</p> <p><b>Paediatric Drugs</b> - Zidovudine 60 mg + Lamivudine 30 mg + Nevirapine 50 mg tablets, Stavudine 6 mg + Lamivudine 30 mg + Nevirapine 50 mg tablets, Abacavir 60 mg + Lamivudine 30 mg, Zidovudine 60 mg + Lamivudine 30 mg tablets, Stavudine 6 mg + Lamivudine 30 mg tablets, Nevirapine 50 mg tablets, "Efavirenz 200 mg tablets, Lopinavir 100 mg + Ritonavir 25 mg tablets</p>
Diagnostics and Equipments	Cluster of Differentiation (CD) 4 Kits / Reagents, HIV-DNA-PCR Kits for DNA Testing of Early Infant Diagnostics, Viral Load Kits, CD4 Machines, Viral Load Machines

2. Nothing contained in this notification shall have effect on or after the first day of April, 2016.