To
All Pr. Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners/
All Commissioners/Directors General under CBEC.

Dated, the 25 May, 2018

Subject: International Yoga Day 2018.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of D.O. letter No. S.11012/07/2018-Y&N Cell dated 06.04.2018 received from Secretary, Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy (AYUSH) on the subject mentioned above for necessary action.

Encl. As above

Yours faithfully,

(B. Ginkhan Mang)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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Copy to: DG Systems & Data Management, New Delhi with the request to kindly upload this letter on the Website of CBIC.
Dear Shri Hasmukh Adhia,

I am happy to inform you that 4th International Day of Yoga (IDY), 2018 is scheduled on 21st June, 2018 after the UN General Assembly declaration to celebrate 21st June as “International Day of Yoga” every year. This is an occasion to propagate yoga on a large scale considering the health benefits attached with Yoga.

2. As you would agree, this objective can be achieved only through concerted efforts from all the stakeholders. Most Ministries/Departments of Government of India have played active roles in the observation of IDY in 2015, 2016 and 2017, and your Ministry/Department is requested to consider joining in the observation of IDY this year on 21st June, 2018, on a larger scale than the previous years.

3. The centre-piece of IDY 2018 would be the Mass Yoga Demonstrations wherein the participants pursue the drill of the Common Yoga Protocol (CYP) in harmony. The Mass Yoga Demonstrations are to be scheduled from 7 A.M. to 8 A.M. at all places. It is requested to consider organizing a Yoga demonstration on 21st June 2018 under the aegis of your Ministry/Department also. It is also requested that the Government Buildings under your Ministry/Department may be illuminated on the eve of IDY, 2018 to commemorate the observance of IDY on 21st June, 2018 with conspicuous display of message of 4th International Day of Yoga, 2018. Other events to be held as part of IDY 2018 could include Yoga Fests, Seminars, Workshops and Musical and Cultural Programmes based on Yoga. The Common Yoga Protocol is already available on the official website of Ministry of AYUSH in text and video formats.

4. The Government’s aim is to make Yoga an integral part of the citizens’ everyday life and thereby secure a healthy life for all. I seek your wholehearted support in making the International Day of Yoga, 2018 a highly participated event.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajesh Kotecha)

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