

**Government of India**  
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To,

All Members of CBIC,  
All Pr. Chief/Chief Commissioners of Customs and Customs (Preventive),  
All Pr. Chief/ Chief Commissioners of CGST and Central Excise and Customs,  
All Pr. Director/ Director Generals of the CBIC,  
All Joint Secretaries/ Commissioners working in the Board.

Sir/ Madam,

**Subject: 7<sup>th</sup> Executive Programme in Customs and Business Administration (EPCBA)- reg.**

The World Customs Organisation has invited nominations for the 7<sup>th</sup> Executive Programme in Customs and Business Administration (EPCBA) to be held from 5<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (online- first phase). Further, the offline programme (second-phase) at Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea will be of four (04) weeks and will be determined at a later stage for those who will complete online sessions.

2. The Programme will be funded/ sponsored by the Customs Cooperation Fund of Korea (CCF-Korea). The target of the Programme is the management-level officials of Customs administrations (senior Customs Executives) of developing-country Members so that targeted participants may acquire holistic and systematic knowledge not only in Customs technical areas but also in theories of international trade and management. This programme is an eight-week (four week online and four weeks face-to-face) non-degree programme. The programme will be held online in the first phase and offline in the second phase for 12 selected Customs Officials from Member Administrations.

3. The eligibility criteria, requirements condition of candidacy broadly are as follows:-

Applicants should be:


- A senior manager having more than ten years of work experience in Customs and who will continue to work for more than two years in his/her home administration after the Programme;
- A Bachelor's degree with proficiency in both written and spoken English;
- Available during the whole period of the EPCBA Programme;
- Receive his/her Administration's approval to enroll and dedicate full time to the Programme morning.
- The candidates should be in good health, preferably below 50 years of age as of 31st December 2020.

4. The Program Description (**Annexure I**), Nomination & Application form (**Annexure II**), Administrative Provisions & Conditions of Candidacy and Selection etc. (**Annexure III**) are attached.

5. It is requested to forward applications of the willing and suitable officers, who fulfil the criteria specified by the WCO, along with the **vigilance clearance and APAR grading for the last 5 years** by e-mail to [indiawco-cbec@nic.in](mailto:indiawco-cbec@nic.in). The forwarding office must ensure that the applicant is free from vigilance angle. The nominations should be sent on or before **21st February, 2021**. Also enclosed **Nomination form, Application form and proforma needs to be filled and submitted along-with the application. Incomplete applications and those received after the stipulated date will not be entertained.**

6. It is requested that the officers may be advised not to send their applications/ nominations to WCO directly. Further, they should not enter into any correspondence with WCO in this regard. The nominations of suitable officers will be sent to WCO after approval of the Board.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Md. Salik Parwiz) 16/02/2021

Joint Commissioner, WCO Cell

Encl:-

1. Annexure-1
2. Annexure-II
3. Annexure-III
4. Proforma