C.No. II/12/1/2005 Estt  

Dated: 09.09.2014

To

The Deputy/Assistant Commissioner  
Ernakulam I/II Division  
Service Tax Division  
Muvattupuzha/Kottayam Division

Sir/Madam,

Sub:- Clarification regarding Departmental Examination (Central Excise & Customs) Rules, 2008 - reg

Please find enclosed a copy of Ministry’s letter F.No. A.34011/2/2012-Ad.III-A dated 08.09.2014 on the above subject for information.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: as above

[K K SUJA]  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER [P&V]

Copy to:-

(i) The Superintendent (Confld.) -- for information  
Central Excise Hqrs. Office  
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(ii) The Superintendent (Computer cell) for uploading the Boards clarification in website.
F.No. A.34011/2/2012-Ad.III-A
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue

New Delhi-the 08th September, 2014

All Chief Commissioners/Directors General of Central Excise & Customs under CBEC.

Subject: - Clarification regarding Departmental Examination (Central Excise & Customs) Rules, 2008- Reg.

I am directed to refer to Board's letter of even no. dated 16.07.2012 addressed to Chief Commissioner of Central Excise, Shillong on the above mentioned subject vide which it was clarified that no relaxation in qualifying marks can be granted to SC/ST candidates as per Departmental Examination Rules, 2008.

The issue of qualifying marks for SC/ST candidates in departmental examinations has been reconsidered by the Board. In the DoP&T O.M No.36012/23/1996-Estt (Res), Vol.II dated 3.10.2000, it was decided to restore the relaxations/concessions in matters of promotion for candidates belonging to SC/ST by way of lower qualifying marks, lesser standards of evaluation that existed prior to 22.07.1997 and it was clarified that DoP&T O.M. dated 22.7.1997 becomes inoperative from the date of issue of this O.M.

Accordingly, all Cadre Controlling Authorities are advised to follow DoP&T's instructions dated 3.10.2000 regarding relaxation for SC/ST candidates in qualifying marks in Departmental Examinations.

Yours faithfully,

(Rajpal Singh)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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