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Dated: The 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2019  
New Delhi

To,

All Members of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs  
All Chief Commissioners of Customs and Customs (Preventive)  
All Chief Commissioners of GST / Customs  
All Director Generals  
All Joint Secretaries/Commissioners working in the Board

**Subject:- WCO-Japan Career Development Programme 2019/2020, to be held from September 2019 at the WCO Headquarters-reg.**

The World Customs Organisation has invited nominations for the WCO-Japan Career Development Programme 2019/2020 to be held from September 2019 at the WCO Headquarters.

2. Funds for this Programme will be provided by the Japanese Customs Administration. The objectives of the Programme are to promote the involvement of Members where neither of the two official WCO languages is widely spoken; to provide developing country Members with an opportunity for selected candidates to undertake work at the Secretariat as a Professional Associate to obtain knowledge, skills and international work experience; to develop and enhance networks among WCO Members and the Secretariat; to support and assist the Secretariat in its missions, work and tasks; to enhance the research function of the WCO; and to develop a pool of highly competent officials with expertise in Member administrations.

3. Under this Programme, the selected Customs officials will be given an opportunity to spend approximately ten months from September 2019 at the WCO Secretariat and thus gain valuable international experience. Each official will be assigned to an area of work which is commensurate with his/her skills. The condition of the services, application form and nomination form are attached as Annexure-I, II and III.

4. The Eligibility, requirements, condition of candidacy are as follows:-

Requirements

Applicants should:

- be a Customs officer of a developing-country Member administration which has active status at the WCO;

- be chosen and nominated by the Head of their home Customs Administration;
- have a minimum of 3 years' experience in Customs;
- have a university degree or equivalent professional qualification;
- be proficient in English and/or French; and
- free from any medical condition that would impair his/her full participation in the Programme.

### Recommended

Applicants should ideally:

- have work experience in policy making, policy implementation and/or research and study;
- have work experience in an international environment, in particular regarding WCO matters (e.g. participation to WCO committees, activities as WCO accredited expert);
- have working knowledge of computer applications; and
- be younger than 45 years of age.

5. It is requested to forward nominations of willing and suitable officers, who fulfill the criteria set by the WCO with **vigilance clearance and APAR grading for the last 5 years** by e-mail to [indiaawco-cbec@nic.in](mailto:indiaawco-cbec@nic.in) and copy to [jscus@nic.in](mailto:jscus@nic.in) . The nominations should be sent on or before **1<sup>st</sup> February, 2019**.

7. 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,



(Vikram Singh)  
Assistant Commissioner,  
WCO Cell

Encl:-

1. Condition of the services
2. Application form
3. Nomination form