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To

The Principal Commissioner/Commissioner  
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The Chief Commissioner , Customs (Preventive), Trichy

Sir/Madam,

Sub: Inter-se seniority of Direct recruits and Promotees- Refixing of seniority in the light of Apex Court Judgement dated 19.11.2019 in Civil Appeal No. 8833-8835/2019 in the case of K. Meghachandra Singh & others Vs. Ningam Siro & Others-Reg.

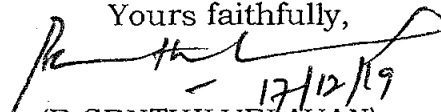
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This office is in receipt of various representations from Promotee Inspectors, requesting to refix seniority in the light of the Honourable Apex Court judgment mentioned above.(List enclosed)

2. In this connection , it may be noted that Para 40 of the said judgment states “ .....Accordingly, the decision in N.R.Parmar is overruled. However, it is made clear that this decision will not affect the inter-se seniority already based on N.R. Parmar and the same is protected. This decision will apply **prospectively** except where seniority is to be fixed under the relevant rules from the date of vacancy/the date of advertisement”.

03. As such, it is very clear that seniority already fixed in accordance with N.R Parmar Judgment need not be reviewed, since the present judgment is prospective in nature. However, this Office has requested for clarifications on the matter from the Board. Till such time, that a clarification is received from Board, the final seniority in the grade of Inspectors issued as on 01.04.2017 holds good.

Yours faithfully,

  
- 17/12/19  
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