

**Customs Act 1962 s 150 - Procedure for sale of goods and application of sale proceeds**

**(1) Where any goods not being confiscated goods are to be sold under any provisions of this Act, they shall, after notice to the owner thereof, be sold by public auction or by tender or with the consent of the owner in any other manner.**

**(2) The proceeds of any such sale shall be applied—**

**(a) firstly to the payment of the expenses of the sale,**

**(b) next to the payment of the freight and other charges, if any, payable in respect of the goods sold, to the carrier, if notice of such charges has been given to the person having custody of the goods,**

**(c) next to the payment of the duty, if any, on the goods sold,**

**(d) next to the payment of the charges in respect of the goods sold due to the person having the custody of the goods,**

**(e) next to the payment of any amount due from the owner of the goods to the Central Government under the provisions of this Act or any other law relating to customs, and the balance, if any, shall be paid to the owner of the goods.**

**Provided that where it is not possible to pay the balance of sale proceeds, if any, to the owner of the goods within a period of six months from the date of sale of such goods or such further period as the Principal Commissioner of Customs or Commissioner of Customs may allow, such balance of sale proceeds shall be paid to the Central Government.**