

Central Excise Act, 1944

Section 32-I - Powers and Procedure of Settlement Commission

(1) In addition to the powers conferred on the Settlement Commission under this Chapter, it shall have all the powers which are vested in a Central Excise Officer under this Act or the rules made thereunder.

(2) Where an application made under section 32E has been allowed to be proceeded with under section 32F, the Settlement Commission shall, until an order is passed under sub-section 1[(5)] of section 32F, have, subject to the provisions of sub-section 2[(4)] of that section, exclusive jurisdiction to exercise the powers and perform the functions of any Central Excise Officer, under this Act in relation to the case.

(3) In the absence of any express direction by the Settlement Commission to the contrary, nothing in this Chapter shall affect the operation of the provisions of this Act in so far as they relate to any matters other than those before the Settlement Commission.

(4) The Settlement Commission shall, subject to the provisions of this Chapter, have power to regulate its own procedure and the procedure of Benches thereof in all matters arising out of the exercise of its powers, or of the discharge of its functions, including the places at which the Benches shall hold their sittings.

1. The following "(7)" shall be substituted by the Finance Act, 2007, w.e.f. 01.06.2007.

2. The following "(6)" shall be substituted by the Finance Act, 2007, w.e.f. 01.06.2007.