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**CBEC DENIES ANY HOLDING OF CUSTOMS, EXCISE DUTY AND SERVICE  
TAX REFUNDS/DRAWBACKS**

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The Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) has denied the report that the Customs, Excise Duty and Service Tax refunds/drawbacks are being held-up by the Department. This was mentioned in a certain section of media attributing to a statement by President, Federation of India Export Organisations (FIEO) to the effect that Customs, Excise Duty and Service Tax refunds/drawbacks are being held-up by the Department.

This is not correct. The following statement will indicate that more amounts have been refunded in 2013-14 compared to the corresponding period in the previous year.

**For the period April – February**

<b>(Rs. in crore)</b>			
<b>Head</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>Increase (%)</b>
Customs	14867	18144	22.0
Central Excise	17884	23154	29.5
Service Tax	1328	2111	58.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>34079</b>	<b>43409</b>	<b>27.4</b>

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