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Date: 22.01.2015

MINUTES OF PTFC MEETING (EXPORT) HELD ON 26.12.2014

The monthly meeting of Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) (Export) was held on 26.12.2014 at 4.00 PM in the Conference Hall at the 7th floor of the Custom House. The meeting was conducted by Shri S.H. Hasan, Commissioner of Customs (Export), JNCH.

The following members of trade attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Sr. No.	Name and Designation
01	Ms. Manish Kumar, MANSA.	06	Shri Subhash Rajkumar, MANSA
02	Shri Sarfaraz Ahmed Khan, MRCCI & A	07	Shri R. Rajasekhar, VP (Commercial), M/s. United Phosphorus
03	Shri Shankar Shinde, R.C.C.I.	08	Shri Paresh Shah, BCHAA
04	Shri Milan Desai	09	Shri Suresh Dalvi, Indian Seaways
05	Capt. Sagar Dange	10	Shri K.K.Johnson , Balkrishna Industries.

2. The following officers of the Department attended the meeting:-

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Sr. No.	Name and Designation
01	Shri A.J.Verma, Addl. Commissioner of Customs	04	Shri O.P.N.Singh, Deputy Commissioner of Customs
02	Shri Alok Agarwal, Joint Commissioner of Customs	05	Shri Kapil Raj, Deputy Commissioner of Customs
03	A.K. Goel, Joint Commissioner of Customs		

3. The Commissioner welcomed all the members and the meeting began with taking up the pending issues.

4. The following old points from the last PTFC meeting held on 27.11.2014 were taken up for discussion:-

Point 4.1: A member of BCHAA had raised a point regarding difficulties faced in filing of Shipping Bills due to difference in RITC between Central Excise and Customs Drawback Schedule in respect of Polyisocynate Resin Solution.

Reply: The CHA had been asked to sort out the issue of correct classification with C. Excise authorities. Once the issue is resolved there, the department would examine and settle the issue.

(Point closed)

Point 4.2: MANSA vide their letter dt. 17.06.2014 has raised a point in respect of difficulties faced in getting the Shipping Bills amended/split and consequent delay in filing of EGM filed in the case of shutout/part cargo loading. With reference to the P.N 36/2004 dated 08.07.2004 they have stated that the procedure of amending/splitting Shipping Bill as prescribed in the said P.N is time Consuming. They have requested to re-visit the terms/requirements as required to be followed as per the P.N. 36/2004 and to simplify the procedures therein.

Reply – The issue is being examined in detail and therefore the matter has been taken up with DC/ EDI and DC/Export Docks to work out a suitable solution.

(Point kept open)

5. The following fresh points came up for discussion in the present PTFC meeting:

Point 5.1: Mr. K. Johnson, Deputy General Manager, Balkrishna Industries Ltd. vide his e-mail dated 29.10.2014 has raised a issue regarding refund of rubber cess paid on Imported Natural Rubber. He has stated that they have taken up the matter with DC, Refund. However, the same was also addressed to the concerned group (Advance Authorisation) to co-ordinate with Refund section to settle the matter.

Reply: Mr. K Johnson was informed that the matter pertains to CRC-I, Refund Cell working under N.S-I Commissionerate and that he may approach DC, CRC-I, Refund Cell.

(Point Closed)

Point 5.2: Shri Milan Desai, BCHAA submitted a letter dated 24.11.2014 during the meeting stating that Factory Stuffing Permission is granted for Export promotion schemes such as DEEC, DFIA, Drawback etc. However query is being raised to obtain separate Factory Stuffing Permission for EPCG in addition to permission granted to an exporter for other schemes. It is suggested in the letter that since EPCG is issued against export obligation by an exporter Factory Stuffing Permission issued for DEEC, DFIA, Drawback etc. may be accepted for EPCG.

Reply: After examining the issue, FSP Cell has informed that, while submitting the request for the issue of LoFSP, exporter has to make declaration of Scheme against Column No. 14 (ii) of the Annexure-B which submitted along with the request letter as required under P.N. No. 23/2010 dt 26.02.2010. Accordingly the schemes as declared by the exporter are being reflected in the LoFSP.

Since the schemes as requested by the exporter are being reflected in the LoFSP issued under signature of AC/DC, FSP Cell, any addition of scheme is being done with the approval of AC/DC, FSP Cell. Further, the practice followed for addition of the scheme in the LoFSP is as under.

“On exporter request, scheme other than those reflected in the LoFSP are being added to the existing LoFSP subject to submission of requisite documents. It is pertinent to the mention here this office is not issuing any fresh LoFSP for addition of scheme and the approval of addition of scheme is being intimated to the concerned Central Excise authority as well as exporter by way of intimation letter.”

(Point closed)

Point 5.3: Shri Milan Desai, BCHAA submitted a letter dated 24.11.2014 during the meeting stating that new Drawback rates introduced after 22.11.2014 were not available in the system initially resulting in difficulty to the exporters. Final print of Shipping Bills filed prior to 22.11.2014 with old drawback Sr. Nos. & where LEO is given on or after 22.11.2014 is showing drawback amount as ZERO. It is further stated that some Customs Brokers had affected shipments so as not to miss out the vessel. It is requested in the letter that suitable amendments may be permitted by cancellation of LEO to enable grant of Drawback. And where shipments are yet to be effected, may be cancelled and amendments granted to capture the correct BTN details in the Shipping Bills.

Reply: After examining the issue Drawback Section has informed that the Shipping Bills prior to 22.11.2014 with old drawback Serial Nos. and where LEO was given on or after 22.11.2014, have not yet come in the queue for processing. The same will be processed as soon as they appear in the queue. In case processed DBK amount is less or Zero, a supplementary claim may be filed.

(Point closed)

Point 5.4: Ms. Shyamali Banarjee, Joint Director, FIEO in her e-mail dated 22.12.2014 had forwarded a list of duty drawback outstanding statement of M/s. Chaudhary International Pvt. Ltd. regarding pending drawback claims.

Reply: Since the mail was received late in the month comments were being called from Drawback Section. However, it was informed by DC/ Drawback that the claims would be cleared in due course of time.

(Point closed)

Point 5.5: Paresh Shah, Hon. Jt. Secretary, BCHAA, during the meeting, raised an issue regarding grant of LEO for direct gated in factory stuffed export containers at JN Customs in addition to various CFSs which is done at present. It was opined that the facility would reduce the time taken for processing of export shipments and provide better control over administration for timely LEO of export goods.

Reply: Hon'ble Commissioner assured that the matter would be examined with respect to feasibility and accordingly provisions for the facility of grant of LEO at JNCH would be actively considered.

(Point closed)

6. The next PTFC meeting is scheduled to be held on **Thursday, 29.01.2015 at 11.30 AM** in Conference Hall, 7th Floor, JNCH. The PTFC members/trade representatives are requested to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance on Fax No. 022-27243245 or by E-mail to Appraising Main (Export) Section on amx24082012nhavasheva@gmail.com for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

7. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

8. This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (Export), JNCH.

(A.K.Goel)
Joint Commissioner of Customs
Appraising Main (Export), JNCH

To,

All the Members of PTFC by e-mail

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