

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS NS-II JAWAHAR LAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, NHAVA SHEVA TAL: URAN, DIST. RAIGAD, MAHARASHTRA-400707

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (EXPORT) HELD ON 28.02.2019.

The PTFC meeting held on 28.02.2019 was chaired by Shri Manas Ranjan Mohanty, Commissioner of Customs (NS-II). Shri Sunil Kumar Mall, Commissioner of Customs (NS-IV) Shri Rajesh Kumar Mishra, Commissioner of Customs (NS-III & V) and Shri Utkaarsh R. Tiwaari, Commissioner of Customs (NS-G) attended the meeting. The meeting was attended by the following members/participants of trade:—

Sr. No.	Names (S/Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	Organization/Association/Designation				
1.	Mohan Nihalani	AIIEA				
2.	Mark S. Fernandese	IMC				
3.	Ashish Pednekar	ASCP				
4.	Omprakash Agrawal	MSWA				
5.	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA				
6.	Shankar Shinde	BCBA				
7.	Ashok Kumar	BCBA				
8.	Ganpat P. Korade	BCBA				
9.	Maruti R. Gadge	BCBA				
10.	Philomena Pereira	MACCIA				
11.	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA				
12.	Manish Kumar	MANSA				
13.	Subhash Rajkumar	MANSA				
14.	V.M. Thomas	CSLA				
15.	V.K. Agarwal	ONIDA				
16.	James Joseph	CFSAI				
17.	Jude Fernandes	CFSAI				
18.	S.S. Srinivas	CFSAI				
19.	Sanjay Rai	Sarveshwar Logistics, CFS				

Following Officers from the department attended the meeting:-

Sr. No.	Names (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Designation
1.	Sanjay Kumar	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	R.K Singh	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	Alok Srivastava	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
4.	Kamlesh Kumar Gupta	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
5.	Vijay J Manvatkar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	Vishal D. Jaronde	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
7.	Shashank Dwivedi	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2. At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members and discussed the agenda points relating to import commissionerates first followed by agenda points of the export/general commissionerates.

The discussion & decision in respect of agenda points pertaining to NS-G & NS-II commissionerates are as under:-

Old Points

<u>Point No.1: Minor mismatch or the error of manual typing of Container no.: Amendment</u> to be allowed at the time of LEO by the Superintendent, Parking Plaza:-

We suggest that suitable instructions should be given to Superintendent for correction in container number or any other error mismatch immediately in parking plaza Superintendent EDI system menu while taking LEO at Parking Plaza. Currently such type of errors are rectified by the Superintendent/ Inspector by endorsing the initials on the exporter copy manually for handover the shipping bill to the shipping line but the remains uncorrected in system, as a result the system shows EGM error due to which DBK/ROSL/MEIS/GST are being held up.

We therefore request that suitable instructions should be given to superintendent or Inspector to rectify such errors in the system immediately.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is already under consideration and decision will soon be taken in this regard and appropriate EDI role, if any, to Superintendent posted at Parking Plaza will be allocated to amend/rectify container number in the system.

(Issue Closed)

New Points

Point No.1: Hardship faced by trade with regard to PN 13/2019:-

We request to kindly re-consider the process flow defined vide above PN which is causing difficulties to trade leading to further delays and additional transaction cost

We refer to Circular 41/2017 dt. 30th October 2017.

Para (5)

Quote:

It shall be deemed to be equivalent to a container sealed under the erstwhile system of officer supervised sealing. Unless and until there are good reasons or intelligence to warrant inspection of such containers, there shall be no need for examination of such containers once the RFID e-seal is read as intact or not tampered.

Unquote:

Further Para (5.2) also has provision to route container top ports via CFS (DPE) without RFID e-seals subjected to usual system based RMS treatment.

Quote:

However, even if some cases, containers intended for export arrived in port area and the vessel is expected to arrive after some days and port gate is still not open; exporter has the option to move their containers to any of the CFSs under JNCH for storage of their containers and clear

from such CFS and there is no need to route those containers (given LEO at CFS) through Parking Plaza.

Unquote:

Under above circumstances we suggest as follows:

- 1. Allow/Allot CFSs with RFID seals
- 2. Allow containers to route via CFS and process as per RMS instructions
- 3. Allow containers for process Export Documents from any of the available parking plaza instead of restricting to port based depending upon the pressure
- 4. Continuous 24x7 Assessment/Examination provision.
- 5. Continuous acceptance of containers inside the port after issuance of Form 13
 - a) (There shall be no vessel/Port Gate Cut-off described) if the Containers are gated in for a particular vessel before cut off, it is the shipping line's responsibility to allot space in their port stacking yard and load the same
 - b) If the cut off for the earlier vessel is over they should immediately open up for next vessel and gate in containers without returning back to CFSs or Buffer yards
 - c) The process was earlier available to trade and was working well, presently they have gap between the vessel cut off time and next vessel open time which is causing hardship for vehicles to transport to and fro to Ports incurring additional cost and dwell time.

The above process would be carried at notified CFSs, hence there will be no violation of process and continuous flow.

This will help trade with processing and expediting clearance from any best possible infrastructure available to speed up the process.

Discussion: The Chair informed that:

- i) As per PN 13/2019, only in case of vessel missed (whether LEO given or not) self-sealed containers (which already gated in Parking Plaza) can be taken out of parking plazas for keeping stored in the buffer yard/CFS with prior permission/ approval of AC/DC, Parking Plaza (Admin.) However, considering the inconvenience caused to the trade, this approval power can be delegated to the superintendent level officer, for which a suitable public notice will be issued shortly.
- ii) All other self-sealed container dispatched from the factory in advance, need not to be brought in Parking Plaza and the same be brought to Parking Plaza for LEO as per terminal gate open schedule.
- iii) Further, CFSs may apply for RFID readers and decision will be taken after taking up the matter with concerned nodal officer/RMCC.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 2: Delay in generation of Form E13 by Steamer Company

It is observed that steamer companies are taking more than 2-5 hours in generation of Form E-13

As discussed, CSLA and BCBA agreed to verify the factual data for analysis of delay in Form 13. However, M/s ODEX is not ready to share the Turn Around Time (TAT) Data, in order to have effective study of timelines of each process and provide effective solution, ODEX/CSLA be directed to have the necessary online data, and would help to monitor in transparent manner to reduce the dwell time.

We request you to kindly intervene in this matter and instruct M/s ODeX India Solutions Pvt. Ltd. to share the necessary Data to BCBA to enable us to make a study of dwell time.

Discussion: The Chair informed that following data have been provided by CSLA:

	Less than	Less than 2	Less than 4	Less than 6	More than	More than	Grand
	30 mins	hours	hours	hours	6 hours	1 day	Total
Total	41,581	62,295	16,208	3,831	8,710	2,707	135,332
Average	31%	46%	12%	3%	6%	2%	100%

From these data, it may be seen that in 77% cases, Form 13 is provided within two hours and in 89% cases, it is issued in less than 4 hours.

(Issue Closed)

The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on 28th March, 2019 at 11:30 AM at Conference Hall, 7th Floor, JNCH. All the Association members were requested to forward their agenda points, if any, at least 07 working days in advance (latest by 21/02/2019) via e-mail to Appraising Main (Export) Section on apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting. Please ensure the strict compliance of the deadline for submission of the agenda points to ensure the uploading of the agenda points on JNCH website in due course of time.

- 3. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-II.
- 5. Minutes are placed on JNCH website and also being sent through emails to the members.

-Sd-(Kamlesh Kumar Gupta)

Joint Commissioner of Customs, Appraising Main (Export), NS – II, JNCH.

To,

- 1. All the Members of PTFC (through email)
- 2. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
- 3. The Principal Addl. Director General, Directorate General of Tax Payers Services, Mumbai Zonal Unit, Room No.138/139, New Custom House, Ballard Estate, Mumbai 400 001 (<u>mzu-dgtps@gov.in</u>).
- 4. The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.
- 5. All Commissioners of Customs, Zone-II, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
- 6. All ADC/JC, DC/AC of Customs, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
- 7. DC/EDI for uploading on JNCH website.
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