

# 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 26.12.2019.

The PTFC meeting held on 26.12.2019 was chaired by Shri Sunil Kumar Mall, Commissioner of Customs and Shri R K Mishra, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V). The meeting was attended by the following members/participants of trade:—

Sr. No.	Names (S/Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	Organization/Association/Designation
1.	Shailesh Mishra	BMCT
2.	FaizSayyed	BMCT
3.	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA
4.	LakshaTadadikar	CFSAI
5.	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
6.	Shankar Shinde	BCBA
7.	Chetna M Badheka	AWCBA
8.	Vinayak B. Apasaj	BCBA
9.	Ganpat P. Korade	BCBA
10	Ashu KR	BCBA
11.	MarutiGadge	BCBA
12.	V. K. Agarwal	ONIDA
13.	Rajasekhar R.	UPL Ltd.
14.	Mohan Nihalani	AIIFA
15.	Nimish Desai	WISA
16.	Paresh Shah	WISA
17.	Sheetal Ahluwalia	AIWCBA
18.	GirishBrahmbhatt	ISFEA
19.	Vinay Pathak	A V Global
20.	KalpeshPise	CONCOR-CFS-DRT
21.	Shailesh B. Nimbalker	FSSAI
22.	VibhorKachhawe	Punjab Conware

Following Officers from the department also attended the meeting:-

Sr. No.	Names (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Designation
1.	Sanjay Kumar	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	Vijay J. Manvatkar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	Vishal D. Jorande	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

4.	T. Arivazhagan	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
5.	SarojSamaiya	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	PandurangChate	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2) Shri T. Arivazhagan, Joint Commissioner of Customs, Appraising Main (Export), JNCH, started the discussion related to the agenda points of the meeting.

### **New Agenda Points**

### Agenda Points represented by Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association

## <u>Point No. 1: Amendment of Shipping Bills to incorporate basic bonafide errors in Export Shipping Bills pertaining to ticking of Y in MEIS column:</u>

The Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association (BCBA) has placed an agenda point that bonafide error made while filing of Shipping Bill i.e. ticking of Y in MEIS column needs to be considered for carrying out amendment in the Export Shipping Bill as the exporter stands to loose Export MEIS incentive. Therefore, with a view to facilitate the exporters for overcoming bonafide errors, BCBA has requested that a mechanism be worked out for transmission of MEIS details of such Shipping Bills to DGFT.

They have also referred to the recent judgment of Hon'bleHigh Court of Kerala in the case of M/s. Anu Cashews and M/s. Mangalath Cashews [WP(C). No. 25339 of 2019 (N) & 27126 of 2019(N) respectively] and the decision of CESTAT, Bangalore in the case of M/s. N.C. John and Sons Pvt. Ltd. which had directed for transmission of MEIS data to DGFT after rectification of mistake in Shipping Bills.

### **FACTS OF THE MATTER:**

All post shipment amendment/conversion of Shipping Bill is carried out as per Public Notice No. 88/2017 and Board Circular No. 36/2010-Customs dated 23.09.2010 under Section 149 of the Customs Act, 1962. As no modification is possible in the shipping bills in the systems, an amendment/conversion certificate is issued by the CEAC.

As regards the transmission of MEIS details of such shipping bills to D.G.F.T., the same is not an ICES issue. The stakeholder has to raise the issue with the ICEGATE helpdesk. Further, this issue being a pan-India issue, the stakeholder must directly reach DG-Systems with sufficient documentary evidence so that necessary amendment could be performed in relation to export incentives.

(Point Closed)

### **Point No. 2: Instances of Back to Town:**-

The Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association (BCBA) has placed an agenda point that there are several instances wherein Back to Town procedure of Export containers are undertaken. They have requested that for the sake of transparency a suitable Public Notice be issued mentioning Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), to be followed both by Trade and Officers, in respect of export containers which are meant to be taken 'Back to Town'.

### **FACTS OF THE MATTER:**

In relation to 'Back to Town' issue, this Custom House has already issued a Standing Order no. 43/2008 dated 17.09.2008 which exclusively deals with back to town of export cargo issues. Officers are advised to strictly adhere to the provisions in the said Standing Order.

(Point Closed)

The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 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 10 working days in advance via e-mail to Appraising Main (Export) Section on apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

- 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.

#### (RAHUL KUMAR)

Deputy 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, NhavaSheva.
- 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 (mzu-dgtps@gov.in).
- 4. The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.
- 5. All Commissioners of Customs, Zone-II, JNCH, NhavaSheva.
- 6. All ADC/JC, DC/AC of Customs, JNCH, NhavaSheva.
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