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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION
COMMITTEE (EXPORT) HELD ON 27.12.2018.

The PTFC meeting held on 27.12.2018 was chaired by Shri Vivek Johri, Chief Commissioner of Customs (Mumbai Customs Zone –II). Shri Subhash Agrawal, Commissioner of Customs (NS-III), Shri Utkaarsh R. Tiwaari, Commissioner of Customs (NS-G) and Shri Rajesh Kumar Mishra, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V) 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.	Manish Kumar	MANSA
2.	Rajasekhar R	UPL
3.	Om Prakash Agrawal	MSWA
4.	Ganpat P. Korade	BCBA
5.	Shankar Shinde	BCBA
6.	Venkat Narayanan	CFSAI
7.	Salim Shikalgar	CFSAI
8.	Maruti R. Gadge	BCBA
9.	Neelesh Datir	AICBIEA
10.	Ashok Saini	BCBA
11.	Sindhu Kunip	Trans Asia Line
12.	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
13.	Karunakar S. Shetty	BCBA
14.	Kiran Rambhia	BCBA
15.	Dushyant Mulani	BCBA
16.	Vinay Tandel	Speedy CFS
17.	Shaikh Abdul Haseeb	Speedy CFS
18.	Jitender S Chauhan	Speedy CFS
19.	Suraj Thaker	Continental CFS
20.	Vinay Pathak	A.V Global
21.	Gangadhar Kodte	Shoolin Shipping Services
22.	Vinayak B. Aparaj	BCBA
23.	Paras Shah	Soham Logistics
24.	S. C Mohanty	MSWC-CFS
25.	Anand Chaturvedi	Liladhar Pasoo
26.	Prashant Mhatre	APMT-GTI
27.	K Prakash Chand	DPWORLD-NSICT
28.	Brijesh Chheda	IKEA
29.	Prasad S. Darekar	IKEA

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.	Rajiv Shankar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	Kunal Kashyap	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
7.	Dhirendra Kumar	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
8.	Prashant Kumar Sinha	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
9.	V.L Pandey	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
10.	Jitender Singh	Assistant Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
11.	Sahil Seth	Assistant Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2. At the outset the Chairman welcomed and addressed all the members. The Chairman informed about the schedule of Time Release Study (TRS 2019) from 01.01.2019 to 7.01.2019 and discussed about the role of all the stakeholders to make TRS 2019 a grand success. The Chairman outlined the structure of TRS 2019 and asked the trade representatives to share the issues and constraints faced by them in achieving faster clearance of the consignments. The Chairman emphasized on the importance of streamlining various processes particularly advance filing of import declaration, reducing the time taken for payment of duty after assessment, reducing time taken for registration etc. by the Custom Brokers to achieve the targets of a lower dwell time. It is also informed to all present there that in case of any issue/clarification, they should contact ADC/JC incharge of the respective Group/Docks for resolutions.

Customs Brokers / representatives of BCBA informed that they will make the best efforts to increase advance filing percentage and also to reduce the time taken for payment and registration process. In this regard, they also stated that they will submit list of importers who are delaying payment of duties to customs.

Thereafter, Shri Subhash Agrawal, Commissioner of Customs (NS-III) chaired the meeting and discussed the agenda points relating to Export / General Commissionerates first followed by agenda points of the Import Commissionerates.

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

Point No.1: Preference for the reefer containers and perishable goods in parking plaza:-

We wish to bring to your kind notice the Provision of PN No 174/2016 Para 7

7. There was demand from trade that "Refrigerated Containers" & "Containers containing perishable goods" should be allowed direct port entry without "Let Export Order" as was the earlier system. However, considering the reasons as mentioned in Para 3 above aforesaid demand cannot be accepted. However, in order to ensure expeditious clearances, it is decided

that document processing relating to "Refrigerated Containers" & "Containers containing perishable goods" will be done on priority (out of turn). In order to distinguish "Refrigerated Containers" shipping bills trade is advised to clearly indicate "Refrigerated Containers" on top right corner of such shipping bills. Similarly, for shipping bill pertaining to "perishable goods", trade is advised to clearly indicate "Perishable Goods" on top right corner of such shipping bills.

We request for strict implement of the above PN No 174/2016 for expediting the refrigerated goods due to limited time slot for vessel cut-off, poor infrastructure at Parking Plaza and limited plugging point for refrigerated containers. Also it is noticed refrigerated containers are being queued in the same queue of regular line which should be separate lane to the Parking plaza and terminals. Necessary directives to be instructed to parking plaza and port terminals.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is being addressed. Office Note No. 45/2018 dated 18.12.2018 has been issued to the Officers of all CFS and Parking Plazas regarding 'Out of Turn' processing of Shipping Bills pertaining to perishable goods and refrigerated containers. Trade representatives requested for separate queues for refrigerated and perishable cargo containers at all the Parking Plazas. The chair mentioned that the issue of separate queues will be taken up with the Parking Plaza management.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 2: Exports is suffering heavily due to improper administration and co-ordination at Parking Plaza:-

Parking Plaza's were created to facilitate faster movement of export containers and reduce the congestion. However, the purpose of creation of Parking Plaza's to facilitate faster movement of export goods has been fully defeated. If this not monitored, this will very detrimental for index of Ease of Doing Business of the country. The following points may be kindly noted:

- Erratic Functioning of EDI system without a proper power backup is delaying export consignments considerably.
- Frequent Power failure is resulting in delay in processing of consignments and issuance of receipts. In present day and age, holding of export containers due to power failure is resulting in criminal wastage of man hours and transaction time, All the parking plaza's should have proper power generator backup mandatorily.
- Administration at Customs JNCH Building should ensure that power lines are not switched off at night because in the current scenario, the contractor abruptly shuts down the genset at night thereby disturbing the connectivity of EDI System at Parking Plaza.
- Delay in container survey.
- Delay of Entry of containers in parking plaza is often hampered due lack of proper network connectivity resulting in RFID readers unable to read the e-seal. We suggest that robust WiFi facility should be provided.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issues pertaining to Parking Plazas are being prioritized. The chair instructed to conduct a separate Review meeting of the Parking Plaza officers and management to get the issues resolved at the earliest. Trade representatives pointed out about the

parking plaza power failure issues. The Chair informed that the issue will be discussed by NS-II Commissioner on Port Terminals.

(Issue Open)

Point No. 3: CCR Instruction and examination order in the Export SB regarding Valuation is not in conformity with law and leading to delay in clearances considerably:-

We are enclosing herewith new CCR Instructions which are conveying cases of over valuation and under valuation based on the previous exports. Each transaction value is different in terms of Customs Valuation Rules 2007 and without following the process of law laid down under Customs Valuation Rules 2007, under valuation or over valuation cannot be directly termed in the SB. This is leading to delay in clearance of export consignment and increase in dwell time.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is being examined.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 4: Providing the RFID readers to each export CFS:-

Trade has represented for faster movement of export containers through CFS by providing the RFID readers to each export CFS. This point has been addressed several times in recent months and we request for immediate implementation of the same.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is being examined and has been taken up with the Risk Management Centre for Customs (RMCC).

(Issue Closed)

Additional Points

With the permission of the Chair, the trade representatives raised the following additional points during the meeting.

1A: What documents are required to be uploaded for Shipping Bill filing during e-Sanchit?

1B: Will the process of getting DMS Coupons continue during e-Sanchit?

Discussion: The Chair informed that as currently e-Sanchit is a voluntary process, hence the process of DMS coupon (Export) is continued. As and when, e-Sanchit becomes a mandatory process in the near future, the process of DMS coupons (Export) will be discontinued. Regarding the documents to be uploaded, the Chair mentioned that a standardized list of documents to be uploaded will be made available soon.

The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on 31st January, 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 24/01/2019) 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.

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

Sd/-

(Rajiv Shankar)

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 (mzu-dgtps@gov.in).
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.
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