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MINUTES OF PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE MEETING (EXPORT)
HELD ON 26.05.2016

The monthly meeting of Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC, Export) was held on 26-05-2016 at 11.30 AM in the Conference Hall at 7th Floor of the Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House. The meeting was Chaired by Shri D.K. Srinivas, Commissioner of Customs (NS-I & III).

2. The following members of trade attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name (S/Shri)	Organization/ Association
1.	Milan Desai	BCHAA
2.	Suresh Dalvi	BCHAA
3.	Ganpat Korade	BCHAA
4.	D L. Thakker	BCHAA
5.	Paresh Shah	BCHAA
6.	C.J. Thakker	BCHAA
7.	Vinayak Aparaj	BCHAA
8.	Hiren Ruparel	BCHAA
9.	Mark S. Fernandes	Sylvester & Co.
10.	Raghav Uchil	AMTOI
11.	Norman Fernandes	CSLA
12.	Nimesh Desai	WISA
13.	Mohan Nihalani	President, AIIEA
14.	R. Rajasekhar	United Phosphorous Ltd.
15.	Subhash RajKumar	MANSA
16.	V.K. Agarwal	ONIDA
17.	Omprakash Agrawal	MACCIA
18.	L.V. Shah	L.P.F. Pvt Ltd.
19.	Amit Gokhle	Asian Paints
20.	Jacob Thomas	Gateway Distriparks Ltd.

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

Sr. No.	Name (S/Shri)	Designation
1	Aseem Kumar	Additional Commissioner of Customs
2	Ashir Tyagi	Additional Commissioner of Customs
3	Nilkanth Shelke	Additional Commissioner of Customs
4	Deepak Bhilegaonkar	Joint Commissioner of Customs
5	Vivek Gupta	Dy. Commissioner of Customs
6	B.L. Reddy	Dy. Commissioner of Customs
7	Anushree Hardikar	Dy. Commissioner of Customs

8	Amit Bhashker	Dy. Commissioner of Customs
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4. The Chairman welcomed all the members and directed to start the deliberations on the agenda of the meeting. The agenda relating to Import Commissionerate were discussed first, and then following agenda of the Export Commissionerate were deliberated upon :

5. OLD POINTS

(a) Post Shipment Amendments under Section 149 in MEIS Shipping Bill.

Background : The representative of BCHAA had informed that cases which fall under the category of amendment under Section 149, such amended Shipping Bills could not be transmitted to DGFT. The post shipment amendments in all scheme related documents such as MEIS, AA do not get transmitted to DGFT. If under MEIS Shipping bill exporter has mentioned text declaration as required in policy/ procedure however he has not mentioned “yes” in reward item block, there is no provision in system to allow amendment and to get such S/Bs transmitted to DGFT.

Similarly in other schemes, if post shipment amendment is permitted by Customs, such shipping bills do not get re-transmitted to DGFT. They informed that this matter has already been discussed in past, but no solution is coming forth. Exporter faces a lot of hardship due to this technical problem.

Discussion : Shri Akhilesh Pandey, Additional Commissioner of Customs informed the members of the Committee that post shipment amendments are not being allowed to transmit in 1.5 ICES. After filing the EGM the data is shared with DGFT and details of Shipping Bills are transmitted to DGFT and after this transmission the data is frozen in ICES and no further changes/amendments are possible. He further informed that as per recent change in FTP, the need to mention intent on the body of SB has been dispensed with and now only “yes” is to be mentioned on the reward item box for claiming FTP benefits. However, the matter has been referred to DG, Systems, New Delhi on 27.04.2016.

(Point Closed)

6. New Point

Point No. 1: Baggage Clearance

Notarization of Passenger Signature on TR Form and Endorsement on passengers passport claiming Transfer of Residence (TR): At present all the passengers’ passports that are required for clearance under Transfer of Residence are being endorsed by Customs. These endorsements of TR and mini-TR, being done on the passport, create problems at foreign immigrations. They have requested that the practice of endorsements on passports may be discontinued & also requested to issue an appropriate Office Order to facilitate the passengers.

Discussion: The Chairman informed the Committee that endorsement on the passport is done as per Standing Order No. 01/2010 to check and monitor the eligibility condition of Transfer of Residence while claiming the TR benefit by the passenger. If endorsement on the passport is not done, then passenger can avail TR benefit in any other ports like Mumbai Docks & ACC, Chennai, Kolkata etc. However, the members of Committee were requested to give a detailed representation/write up on the matter.

(Action: BCHAA)

7. The next Export PTFC meeting is scheduled on **23rd June, 2016** at 11:30 AM in Conference Hall, 5th Floor, Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House, Nhava-Sheva. The PTFC members/trade representatives and Custom Broker associations are requested to forward their agenda points well in advance on fax No. 022-27243245 or by email to apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in.

8. The meeting ended with thank to the Chair.

(R.K. AGARWAL)
Additional Commissioner of Customs
Appraising Main (Export)

To,

All the Members of PTFC by e-mail

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Customs Zone-II, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
2. The Principal Commissioner of Customs (NS-Gen & II), JNCH, Nhava Sheva
3. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Directorate General of Taxpayer Services, CR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi 110 109.
4. The Pr. Addl. Director General, Directorate General of Tax Payers Services, Mumbai Zonal Unit, Room No. 138/139, New Custom House, Ballard Estate, Mumbai.
5. The Commissioner of Customs (NS-I/III, IV/V), JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
6. All ADC/JC, DC/AC of Customs (N.S.-Gen, II & IV), JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
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