

**OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (NS-II)
MUMBAI ZONE-II, APPRAISING MAIN (EXPORT),
JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, NHAVA SHEVA, TALUKA: URAN,
DISTRICT RAIGAD, MAHARASHTRA-400707.**

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION
COMMITTEE (EXPORT) TO BE HELD ON 24.09.2020**

The P.T.F.C. meeting was held on 24.09.2020, through video conferencing. The meeting was chaired by Shri Sanjay Mahendru, Commissioner of Customs, (NS-Gen & NS-II),

2. The meeting was attended by the following Members of the trade:

Sr.No.	Names (S/Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Organization/Association
1	P.G. Rao	JNPT
2	R.K. Rubin	AMTOI
3	Leena Ganguly	AIWCBA
4	Faiz Sayyed	BMCTPL
5	V.K. Agarwal	Mirc Electronics Ltd. (ONIDA)
6	Rajasekhar R.	United Phosphorus Ltd.
7	Paresh Thakker	BCBA
8	Ganpat Korade	BCBA
9	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
10	Shankar Shinde	BCBA
11	Manish Kumar	MANSA
12	Paresh Shah	WISA
13	Shailesh Mishra	BMCT
14	Neelesh Datir	AILBIEA
15	Sheetal Ahluwalia	AWCBA
16	Laksha Tadadikar	CFSAI
17	Vinayak B. Aparaj	BCBA
18	Maruti Gadge	BCBA
19	Nimish Desai	WISA
20	Ravi D. Rao	JNPT
21	Rekha	CSLA
22	Shyam	CSLA
23	Capt. Iyyer	MANSA
24	V. Rajappan	-
25	Vasant	-
26	Wilfred Menezes	-
27	Mazhar Vohra	-
28	Paras Shah	-

The following officers from the Department attended the meeting:

Sr.No.	Names (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Designation
1	Rajiv Ranjan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
2	Kamlesh Kumar Gupta	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
3	Saroj Samaiya	Joint Commissioner of Customs
4	Dipin Singla	Joint Commissioner of Customs
5	Rahul Kumar	Joint Commissioner of Customs

3) The Chairperson welcomed all the members of the trade and after introductory comments asked Shri Rahul Kumar, Deputy Commissioner of Customs, J.N.C.H. to take up the agenda points for discussion. The following agenda points were taken up for discussion:

Point No. 1: Processing of 1st Time Import and Export Registration

BCBA had placed an agenda point that the first time Exporter Registration is presently done through manual process by respective Group, which is accepted only after filing of shipping bill, which delays the process. The file numbers are obtained for such first time registration with respective Group. This delays the clearance process and can be carried prior to arrival or filing of S/Bill.

BCBA has requested that the same may be processed online with submission of supporting documents which will save paper and also maintain soft copies. All such applications can be centralised at TSK Centre providing Registration Numbers.

Comments: The Chairperson informed that the Centralised Export Assessment Cell (CEAC) undertakes the first time export registration in accordance with the JNCH Public Notice No.112/2017 dated 31.08.2017. Shipping Bill can be filed 15 days in advance prior to registration in the EDI System and exporter can get first time export registration immediately after filing of shipping bill. Once the exporter / concerned CB submits the requisite documents in accordance with the JNCH Public Notice No.112/2017 dated 31.08.2017, the first time export registration is completed by CEAC on the same day.

As regards the centralisation of registration process at TSK, the Chairperson informed that the CEAC itself is a Centralised Section. All the first time export registration of Nhava Sheva is done at CEAC. JNCH Public Notice No.112/2017 dated 31.08.2017 specifies that CEAC will be a single point for collection of documents from first time exporters.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 2: Provision of JNCH PN 94/2017 – Only specifies examination criteria for ISO tanks carrying non-hazardous cargo should be sent for scanning post LEO

BCBA had placed an agenda point that in the case of open and examination order issued by the system for cargo in ISO tanks, officers of Parking Plaza referring Para 7.1 and 7.2 of PN 46/2017 to the cargo which is highly Hazardous in nature (other than class 5, 8, 9) or referring to PN 94/2017 for non-hazardous cargo and in both the cases, used to give a scanning order. But for the hazardous cargo with low probability (class 5, 8, 9) referring to open and examination at the nearest CFS.

They have suggested that ISO tanks carrying any type of cargo (Hazardous or Non Hazardous) should go for scanning due to issues like, cargo contamination due to opening / exposure to atmosphere, various hazards associated, pressurised cargo with air / nitrogen blanketing poses risks & dangers, non-availability of infrastructure in handling hazardous cargo in ISO tank in CFSs etc. Thus, amendment in PN 94/2017 is requested to consider both hazardous and non-hazardous cargo carried in ISO tanks to go for scanning post LEO instead of open & examine.

Comments: The Chairperson informed that this Custom House has issued two Public Notices Nos. 46/2017 dated 31.03.2017 and 94/207 dated 11.07.2017, which deal with the procedure for clearance of cargo of “Hazardous Goods” and procedure for chemical examination of cargo of “non-hazardous category be exported in ISO tanks”. Further, the officers posted in the Parking Plaza follow the instructions as appearing in the EDI system. The open and examination of goods is also followed as per the RMS instruction which are inserted by RMCC. The Parking Plaza does not undertake the examination of goods contained in self-sealed/factory stuffed containers.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 3: ICEGATE System Issue

BCBA had placed an agenda point that SOP is required for manual clearance of containers when ICEGATE is down to free the vehicles detained, thereby it will insure that the container does not miss the designated vessel due to ICEGATE issue. They have also suggested for allowing cart loose cargo without SB Number in case ICEGATE is down for more than 1 hour.

Comments: The Chairperson informed that this Custom House has issued Public Notice No. 13/2017 dated 31.03.2017, which deal with the SOP for manual “Let Export Order” in case of prolonged system and other issued consequent to commencement of “Document Processing Area” in the Parking Plaza and Gate Automation for export and import through NSCIT/NSIGT, GTI and JNPCT.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 4: Centralised Parking Plaza

The BCBA had placed an agenda point that for the speedy clearance and proper facility is required to start clearance of all terminal containers in the Centralised Parking Plaza.

They have also suggested to depute more staff in the Parking Plaza for allowing examination of containers in Parking Plaza which is selected for open and examination to save movement of trailers and also reduce transaction cost and capture designated vessel.

Comments: The Chairperson informed that the officers of Parking Plaza (Admin) are coordinating with EDI Section and JNPT authorities for the commencement of operation at newly developed Centralized Parking Plaza. Further, this Customs House is also coordinating with the JNPT regarding allowing examination of containers in the Centralized Parking Plaza, if selected, for Open and Examination as per RMS instruction.

[Action: DC/Parking Plaza]

Point No.5: SCMT Registration related issues

CSLA had placed an agenda point that Shipping lines/agents are struggling to complete registration process since last 2 months. The approving authority at JNCH is not able to view the document. In fact in many cases registration application don't appear on the screen of approving authority. In certain cases after approval no registration status appearing on the screen of applicant (shipping line/agent). Shipping lines are not getting any response from DG System & ICEGATE team for resolution of these issues. In fact these issues were taken up by JNCH as well on many occasions, but still there is no response. List of few shipping lines/agents who are facing issues are enclosed herewith for your kind reference. We will appreciate if JNCH can take up this issue at higher level and assist our members in resolving all registration related issues.

Comments: The Chairperson informed that the issues faced by the entities while registering under SCMTR have already been forwarded to DG Systems by AC/SCMTR Cell.

[Action: DC/SCMT Cell]

Point No.6: Extension of SCMT implementation date

CSLA had placed an agenda point that as per latest notification, SCMT is supposed to be implemented from 1st **October 2020**. CBIC team was supposed to test all functionalities via Pilot testing at Chennai & Mundra port in **August 2020** which is not yet done. Lines are doing testing of different scenarios individually manually through email message but they are facing lot of issues with respect to acknowledgement / error files to be shared with shipping lines. Since message functionalities/cargo referencing/ other testings/SCMT registration issues are still unresolved, The SCMT implementation is not possible from 1st **October 2020**. Request JNCH to take up this issue with CBIC team and arrange extension till all bugs are fixed.

Comments: The Chairperson informed that the extension, if any, will be notified by CBIC.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 7: CSLA has sought a Feedback regarding process requiring physical interface with customs - need to eliminate physical interface. Among the details attached point no. 16 produced below:

ECU	EGM Related Error	Yes	Can be sent on e-mail ID provided, after lock down hard copies will be submitted
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Comments: The point raised by the CSLA is acceptable. However, for rectification of EGM related errors, the responsibilities regarding correctness and authenticity of the supporting document will be on the stake holder sending the email. As of now, only EGM errors are corrected on the basis of correct container numbers furnished by the shipping lines as per the Facility Notice No. 77/2010 dated 02.08.2010 it is still in force.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 8: Electronic shipping bills are capable of been edited.

CSLA had submitted that Electronic Shipping Bills are capable of being edited. They have forwarded details of the shipping bills that have been edited.

Comments: The Chairperson has asked the CSLA to elaborate the above point and the action desired from the Customs side.

[CSLA to provide details to ADC/CEAC]

4. The Chairperson informed the members of the trade that the date and mode of conducting the next P.T.F.C. meeting shall be informed well in advance and requested to forward the agenda points, if any, at least 10 working days in advance by e-mail to Appraising Main (Export) on **apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in** for taking up the issue in the upcoming P.T.F.C. meeting.

5. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

6. This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (NS-Gen & NS-II).

SD/-
(Rahul Kumar)
Deputy Commissioner of Customs
Appraising Main (Export)

To,

All the Members of PTFC (through email)

Copy to: (through email):

1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II, JNCH, Sheva.
2. 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).
3. The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.
4. All Commissioners of Customs, Zone-II, JNCH, Sheva.
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6. DC/EDI for uploading on JNCH website.
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