

**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.**

**F.NO. S/12-GEN-60/2018-19-AM(X)**

**Date: .09.2020**

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE  
(EXPORT) HELD ON 30.06.2020.**

The PTFC meeting was held on 30.06.2020 which was chaired by Shri Sanjay Mahendru, Commissioner of Customs (NS-GEN & NS-II), Shri Sunil Kumar Mall, Commissioner of Customs (NS- I & Audit), Shri S.K. Vimalanathan, Commissioner of Customs (NS-III) and Shri Rajesh Kumar Mishra, Commissioner of Customs (NS- V). The meeting was conducted through video conferencing which was attended by the following members/participants of trade:–

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Names (S/Shri/Ms./Mrs.)</b>	<b>Organization/Association/Designation</b>
1.	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA
2.	Mark S. Fernandez	IMC
3.	Nimish Desai	WISA
4.	O.M. Agarwal	MCC
5.	Bakshi Md. Hanif	SAMSARA MANSA
6.	Shankar Shinde	BCBA
7.	Paresh Shah	WISA
8.	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
9.	Manish Kumar	MANSA
10.	Dushyant Mulani	BCBA
11.	Dr. K.U. Methakar	FSSAI
12.	Leena Ganguly	AIWCBA
13.	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
14.	Ashish Pednekar	MCC
15.	Karunakar Shetty	BCBA
16.	Neelesh Datir	AILBIEA
17.	Jayant Lapsia	AILBIEA

Following Officers from the department attended the meeting:–

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Names (Shri/Smt./Ms.)</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	T. Arivazaghan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	Rajiv Ranjan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	Manish Thapaliyal	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
4.	Vijay J Manvatkar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

At the outset the Chair welcomed all the members and discussed the agenda points relating to NS-General & NS-II Commissionerates. The Chair permitted Shri T. Arivazaghan, Additional Commissioner of Customs, to start the discussion related to the agenda points of the meeting.

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

**Point No.1: Reworking of malfunctioned Reefers:**

It was represented by Container Shipping Lines Association (India) (CSLA) that Customs takes rather long to provide reworking permission of the malfunctioned reefer boxes which are not repairable in laden condition. They require NOC from ICD customs. Major issue is with the ICD boxes where Gateway Port Customs wants the NOC from ICD custom which takes more than a day. In such a scenario Customs may allow re-working under their supervision.

**Facts on the matter:**

Reworking of reefer container is allowed in the CFSs where the temperature controlled environment facilities are available. For such activity, this office does not call for NOC from the concerned ICDs. No instances have been noticed where for re-working of containers NOCs from ICDs have been called.

[Point Closed]

**Point No.2: Permission of exporting the re-worked reefer container:**

Gateway Port should allow exporting of the re-worked containers without the approval of ICD customs. Reason being that the re-working is done under supervision of the Gateway Port customs and the seals are verified with the Shipping Bill documents before re-working is granted. Also many of such shipping bills are generated with comments "This consignment was not opened for physical examination by Customs". After the re-working is done instead Gateway Port should give a letter to the ICD customs for their information intimating about the re-working done in the new container with the new seal details just for their record.

**Facts on the matter:**

The re-working of reefer containers is undertaken as mentioned above, and the concerned ICDs are informed about the change in container and / or seal number.

[Point Closed]

**Point No. 3: Discontinuation of hard copy filing process for ICD TR1 / TR2 & Local Shipping Bills:**

This issue was discussed in PTFC meeting in November, 2019. Since all ICDs & Sea Port locations are now connected electronically and EDI EGM for local and ICD shipping bills are filed through digital signature certificate. Hence as per CBEC Circular 10/2015, 26/2015 & JNCH PN 37/2015, the hard copy filing process should please be dispensed with.

Also, with effect from July, 2017 onwards when IGST was rolled out, ICD EGM is required to be filed before the gateway EGM is filed. Earlier ICD Customs used to file ICD EGM after receipt of signed copy of TR-2 documents from gateway customs. Now they are able to see EGM details in the system itself. Hence, dispatch of TR2 shipping bill documents have become redundant process now which should be dispensed away.

**Facts of the matter:**

Commissioner of Customs (NS-II) has opined that since electronic PDF Shipping Bills are being issued hence there is no requirement of physical copies. Further, the representative CSLA concurred that now TR 1/TR 2 copies are not being insisted upon by the department.

[Point Closed]

**POINTS SPONSORED BY BRIHANMUMBAI CUSTOMS BROKERS ASSOCIATION (BCBA):**

**Point No. 1: Delay in Export Assessment & generating LEO:**

Members have informed BCBA that there is delay in assessment of shipping bills & generating LEO due to the shortage of officers. They have requested for posting more officers for the said purpose.

**Facts of the matter:**

Assessment of all Shipping Bills are regularly done on day to day basis and officers are working 7 days in a week. Assessing Officers, posted in CEAC Section are regularly deputed for completion of assessment in time. During lockdown period, delay might have happened on account of assessment as only one officer was attending duty for assessment. However, now two officers in one batch are attending the assessment work on rotational basis. All officers have been sensitized to ensure speedy clearance of shipping bills and to ensure no delay happen in the export assessment.

**[Point Closed]**

The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held informed to the members well in advance. All the Association members were requested to forward their agenda points, if any, at least 10 working days in advance by e-mail to Appraising Main (Import) Section on appraisingmain.jnchimp@gmail.com for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-Gen. & NS-II.

Minutes are placed on JNCH website and also being sent through emails to the members.

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(Rahul Kumar)

Deputy Commissioner of Customs  
Appraising Main (Export),  
JNCH, Nhava Sheva

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.
5. All ADC/JC, DC/AC of Customs, JNCH, Sheva.
6. DC/EDI for uploading on JNCH website.
7. Office Copy.