MINUTES OF PTFC MEETING (EXPORT) HELD ON 29.01.2015

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The monthly meeting of Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) (Export) was held on 29.01.2015 at 11.30 AM in the Conference Hall at the 7th floor of the Custom House. The meeting was conducted by Shri S.H. Hasan, Commissioner of Customs (N.S.- II & Gen), JNCH.

The following members of trade attended the meeting:

- Sr. No. Name and Designation
- 01 Shri Kiran Ugale , MSWC CFS
- 02 Shri Victor Fernandes
- 03 Shri Satish Kumar
- 04 Shri Ashwin Koppikar, Divgi-Warner.
- 05 Shri Damodar R. Kulkarni, Divgi-Warner.
- 06 Ms Shyamali Banarjee, FIEO.
- 07 Shri Laksha Tadadikar, Ameya CFS.
- 08 Shri Kiran Rambia, BCHAA.

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

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Sr. No.	Name and Designation
01	Shri Subhash Agrawal, Commissioner of	04	Shri Alok Agarwal, Joint Commissioner
02	Customs (N.SIV) Shri A.J.Verma, Addl. Commissioner of	05	of Customs Shri O.P.N.Singh, Deputy
03	Customs A.K. Goel, Joint Commissioner of Customs		Commissioner of Customs Shri Gaurav Singh, Deputy
00			Commissioner of Customs

3. The Commissioner welcomed all the members and the meeting began with taking up the pending issues.

4. The following old points from the last PTFC meeting held on 27.11.2014 were taken up for discussion:-

Point 4.1: MANSA vide their letter dt. 17.06.2014 has raised a point in respect of difficulties faced in getting the Shipping Bills amended/split and consequent delay in filing of EGM filed in

- Sr. No Name and Designation
- 09 Shri R.K.Robin.
- 10 Shri D.L.Thakkar, BCHAA
- 11 Shri Paresh Shah, BCHAA
- 12 Shri Suresh Dalvi, Indian Seaways
- 13 Shri Nimesh Desai, WISA.
- 14 Shri Ganpat Korade, BCHAA.
- 15 Shri Rajesh Gosalia, BCHAA.

the case of shutout/part cargo loading. With reference to the <u>P.N 36/2004</u> dated 08.07.2004 they have stated that the procedure of amending/splitting Shipping Bill as prescribed in the said P.N is time Consuming. They have requested to re-visit the terms/requirements as required to be followed as per the <u>P.N. 36/2004</u> and to simplify the procedures therein.

Reply – It was informed that the issue is being examined in detail and therefore the matter has been taken up with DC/ EDI and DC/Export Docks to work out a suitable solution.

(Point kept open)

5. The following fresh points came up for discussion in the present PTFC meeting:

Point 5.1: With regards to department's proposal regarding implementation of Data Management System of documents (scanning of dockets/papers) retained at docks after Customs out of charge, BCHAA vide letter dated 19.01.2015 has made following suggestions:

i) **Charges:** Charges proposed to be levied should be intimated to entire trade by way of public notice.

ii) Proper reimbursable receipt: To avoid misuse of duplication, it is suggested that a receipt should be provided by the department with specific Bill of Entry number, amount of charges levied and proper Service Tax number.

iii) **Efficient System for receipt of documents:** Designated counter without causing delay while acceptance from Customs Broker will not be responsible for any lapse on part of Agency.

iv) Confirmation of scanning in time bound manner: A mechanism be brought in place to monitor scanning of all documents submitted.

v) Scanning at all CFSs: Scanning collection counter should be mandatorily available at all CFSs. Collections of documents after out of charger by designated agency should be available at all CFSs.

vi) **Data sharing of scanned documents:** it is requested to work out modalities of sharing scanned file to respective Custom Brokers for their own record so as to avoid duplication of process and involvement of double cost of scanning.

vii) Print copy of scanned documents is available for submission: All scanned documents to be considered as valid for submission to Customs and various other agencies.

Reply: The importance /feasibility of the Data Management System was explained by the Chairman to the members. All the members of the trade and representatives of BCHAA, FIEO present unanimously agreed upon immediate implementation of the system. As regards the points raised by BCHAA members it was clarified as under:

i) The charges would be comparable with the charges presently levied at ICD Tughlakabad. However, the same may be fixed in the range of Rs. 15 to 18, after considering the incidental charges such as lease line charges etc. The details of the charges to be levied would be communicated by way of a public notice issued in this regard.

ii) A proper receipt for payment of charges made would be provided by the service provider.

iii) & v) Initially the scanner would be installed at DRT CFS and after establishing the smooth functioning more scanners would be installed at other CFS nominated for 24×7 facilities or as decided in this regard.

iv) It would be ensured that the scanning is done in a time bound manner and without delay.

vi) & vii) As regards data sharing of scanned documents the modalities would be examined after setting up of the system.

Point 5.2: Paresh Shah, Hon. Jt. Secretary, BCHAA, during the meeting, raised an issue regarding grant of LEO for direct gated in factory stuffed export containers at JN Customs in addition to various CFSs which is done at present. It was opined that the facility would reduce the time taken for processing of export shipments and provide better control over administration for timely LEO of export goods.

Reply: Hon'ble Commissioner assured that the matter would be examined with respect to feasibility and accordingly provisions for the facility of grant of LEO at JNCH would be actively considered and a facility notice would be issued shortly.

(Point closed)

6. The next PTFC meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 24.02.2015 at 11.30 AM in Conference Hall, 7th Floor, JNCH. The PTFC members/trade representatives are requested to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance on Fax No. 022-27243245 or by E-mail to Appraising Main (Export) Section on amx24082012nhavasheva@gmail.com for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

7. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

8. This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (N.S.-II & Gen), JNCH.

Sd/-19.02.2015 (A.K.GOEL) Joint Commissioner of Customs Appraising Main (Export), JNCH

To, All the Members of PTFC by e-mail

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