MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 12.01.2012

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The PTFC meeting held on 12.01.2012 was chaired by Sh. B. Ravichandran, Commissioner of Customs (Import) and attended by the following members/participants and officers from JNCH, Sheva:

Sr. No.	Names S/Shri	Organization/Association/Designation
01	George Joseph	BCHAA
02	Pankaj Shah	BCHAA
03	D. L. Thakkar	BCHAA
04	Mohan Nihalani	AIIEA
05	R. Rajasekhar	United Phosphorus
06	Avinash Buge	JNPT
07	R. K. Rubin	AMTOI
08	Jacob Thomas	Punjab Conware – CFS
09	K. Bhaskaran	Consolidators Association of India
10	Prashant Pote	Ameya Logistics – CFS
11	M A Jahangir	Forbes & Co. Ltd. – CFS
12	Jude Fernandes	Ashte – CFS
13	Philomena Pereira	BCHAA
14	Nailesh Gandhi	BCHAA
15	K S Shetty	BCHAA
16	Paresh Shah	BCHAA
17	Capt. Mayur	Continental WC
18	Gandhar R Patil	Continental WC
19	Nishikant Chaugule	ONIDA

Sr. No.	Names S/Shri	Organization/Association/Designation
20	V K Agarwal	ONIDA
21	Yash Vardhan	Vaishno Logistics Yard, CFS
22	V.Padmanbhan	Seabird, CFS
23	S C Maini	GDL, CFS
24	Ms. P. Hemavathi	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
25	Satyajit Mohanty	Jt. Commissioner of Customs
26	Rahul Nangre	Jt. Commissioner of Customs
28	Rajguru	Dy. Commissioner of Customs

Chairman welcomed all the members present for the meeting. Commissioner (Export), who also attended the meeting briefly, highlighted various steps being initiated during the Trade Facilitation Fortnight being held from 19.01.2012 to 02.02.2012.

Thereafter, minutes of the PTFC meeting held on 08.12.2011 were taken up for discussion.

2. Points raised in PTFC meeting held on 08.12.2011

2.1 The Members of the Trade informed that the goods covered under the Foreign Trade Agreement ,once sold on High Seas Sales Agreement ,are not given FTA benefits as the name of the Importer and the Invoice No. does not commensurate with the FTA Certificate issued by the Exporting country. They also argued that the Agreement benefit is on the Goods imported, not to the specific Importer.

On this Joint Commissioner (Chief Commissionerâ€[™]s Office) informed the Chair that the issue has been referred to the Board and reply is still awaited.

POINT CLOSED)

2.2 The Chairman informed the Trade that during the Special Drive for finalization of Provisional Assessments from 14.11.2011 to 16.12.2011 this Custom House was able to dispose off approximately 38 % of pending Provisional Assessments . He informed the Trade that the intensive drive for finalization of provisional assessment shall continue during the Trade Facilitation Fortnight to be held from 19.01.2012 to 02.02.2012 and requested the Trade to co-operate by submitting all the necessary documents for finalization of Provisional Assessments.

3. New Points raised in the PTFC meetings held on 12.01.2012

3.1 The Commissioner appraised the Trade that Senior officers from Textile Committee had visited the Custom

House and had informed during discussions, that the test reports are not being collected by the importers. This has resulted in accumulation of samples, and test reports which are to be

collected on payment of requisite fees. The Textile Committee officials suggested that the Test Memoâ€TMs should contain the CHA Number and their telephone numbers so that they could be contacted. They also informed that list of pending test samples to be collected, is available with Textile Committee. A copy of the list was also given to some of the members during the meeting.

The Commissioner also advised the Trade to open account with Textile Committee with multiple importers to expedite the disposal of test reports.

The trade assured that the list of pending samples will be collected from the Textile Committee and will be circulated among the concerned CHAâ€TMs. They will be advised to put their CHA No and contact number in the Test Memo. The CHA Association welcomed the suggestion to open account with Textile Committee.

3.2 The representative of trade raised the issue that the waiting period for scanning containers is, at times , more than a day due to break down of Scanners and other technical reasons.

On this the Chairman informed the trade about the problem on account of breakdown of scanner, on many occasions, was because of the carelessness of Drivers of the trailers. Since the system is unique and complex, the repairs may take number of hours and immediate efforts are being taken to resolve the issues. Wherever a longer delay is anticipated waiver from scanning is given with note for examination as per standing instructions.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

4. The members were informed that the next PTFC meeting is scheduled to be held on **09**. **02.2012 at 11.00 hrs** in Conference Hall adjacent to the Office of the Commissioner of Customs (Import), 5th Floor, JNCH and the PTFC members/trade representatives are requested to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance i.e. 10 days in advance on Fax No. 022-27243245 or by E-mail to Appraising Main (Imp) Section on <u>appraisingmainjnchimp@gmail.com</u> for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

5. This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (Import), JNCH.

(P. N. BALACHANDRAN)

ASST. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

APPRAISING MAIN (IMP), JNCH, SHEVA.

To,

All the Members of PTFC

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