

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 12.02.2015.

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The PTFC meeting held on 12.02.2015 was co-chaired by Ms. Seema Jere Bisht, Commissioner of Customs NS-III, I and Shri Vijay Singh Chauhan Commissioner of Customs NS-V and attended by the following Members/ Participants and Officers from NS-I, III &V:-

Sr. No.	Names (S/Shri)	Organization/Association/Designation
1	Nimish Desai	WISA
2	R. Rajasekhar	United Phosphorous Ltd.
3	Kiran Rambhia	BCHAA
4	Mohan Nihalani	AIIEA
5	Manish Kumar	MANSA
6	Victor Fernandes	MANSA
7	Subash Rajkumar	MANSA
8	Rajesh Gosalia	BCHAA
9	D.L Thakker	BCHAA
10	Paresh Shah	BCHAA
11	Suresh Dalvi	BCHAA
12	Sunil M Ingole	JNPT
13	Avinash Buge	JNPT
14	Ashwin Suchak	Punjab CFS
15	Ganpat P. Korade	BCHAA
16	Vinayak B Aparaj	BCHAA
17	K.S. Shetty	MACCIA
18	Sarfraz A Khan	MACCIA
19	Shankar Shinde	RCCI
20	Aseem Kumar	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
21	S.Anantha Krishnan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
22	Nilkant Shelke	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
23	Rajesh Kumar Agarwal	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
24	R.K. Singh	Dy. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2. Chairperson welcomed all members in the combined PTFC meeting of Commissionerates NS-I, III &V. The Chairperson introduced Shri Vijay Singh Chauhan, Commissioner of Custom,s

NS-V to the PTFC members and requested all the members to introduce themselves. All the members introduced themselves. Shri Vijay Singh Chauhan, Commissioner of Customs NS-V informed members about his past assignment and the area of interest.

3. AGENDA POINTS IN PREVIOUS PTFC MEETING HELD ON 15.01.2015

3.1. List of Not a Drug item from Drug Controller:-

The Chairperson informed that the Dy. DG DyCC has submitted List of Drug Items, which donot require to be referred to ADC for No Objection by Customs. The list is duly approved by their Central office in Delhi. The list has been forwarded to Jt. Commissioner Gr. IIA-F for circulation to the officers posted at Docks and Group for strict compliance. Additional Commissioner of Customs (Docks) to ensure that it is disseminated to all the clusters

(Action:ADC Gr2A-F)

3.2. Cancellation of OOC and attending Jt. Survey by Customs in RMS Cleared B/E:-

Shri Aseem Kumar, Additional Commissioner informed Chairperson that the study group has held one meeting and that the nominated representatives of CHA has undertaken to give written submissions shortly. The comments shall be examined and if necessary shall be forwarded to the Board for consideration. Chairperson asked him to complete the task by the next meeting.

(Action : ADC Docks)

3.3. Verification of Cash Payment Receipt

BCHAA requested that verification may be discontinued as it is delaying clearance. Chairperson observed that the verification is required to be continued as the matter involves revenue and fraud. Chairperson informed that on demand of the members of PTFC an officer is posted on Saturday to avoid delay in clearance.

(Action:- JC CIU)

3.4. Re-assessment of Self assessed B/E or finally assessed B/E.

This matter has been discussed on number of earlier occasions. Chairperson asked BCHAA to submit a comprehensive representation so that it can be taken up with the Board and resolved.

(Action : ADC (AM))

3.5 Best Practice-Software driven Document Management System: The Chairperson had informed the members of PTFC and all stakeholders in the meeting held on 15.01.2015 that a new initiative in line with that implemented at ICD TKD is under consideration to digitise and store the folder of all import/export documents in the system for a particular import consignment. It was informed that all the folders shall be stored in the system and shall be made available at the request of importer/exporter or Department. As decided in the said meeting BCHAA submitted their views/suggestion. Chairperson informed the members that the same has been forwarded to nodal officer for DMS Shri Alok Agarwal, Jt Commissioner. The members were informed that DMS is working very well at TKD and is required to be implemented at JNCH in

view of large number of documents being handled. The Chairperson asked the members to discuss issues related to DMS with Shri Alok Agarwal, Jt Commissioner NS-II.

3.6 Members of BCHAA informed Chairperson that the name and mobile nos. of officers posted on weekly posting are not available on the website. Chairperson told the ADC (Docks) and Joint Commissioner (EDI) to ensure uploading of the weekly posting orders of Saturday/Sunday on the website. The Chairperson informed that the weekly order will be e-mailed to all PTFC members.

3.7 Chairperson informed the members that a Bond cancellation/closure drive is being undertaken and the CHA's should co-ordinate with concerned Group for finalisation of Provisional Assessments/Enduse Bonds/Test Bonds. The Chairperson informed that the Provisional Assessment module has been introduced in ICES 1.5. The BCHAA members were asked whether they have tried the module. The members informed that they had not yet tried the module. Commissioner asked all the ADC/JC to tell the Groups to finalise the PD Bonds on the system itself using this new module.

4. Fresh Points:-

4.1 Scanning of Containers :-

There is a delay in the examination and delivery for LCL cargo when the container has been selected for Scanning. The members informed the Chairperson that all LCL consignments in the selected container are subjected to 100% examination. The Chairperson informed that the issue of examination of such cargo is being examined and a decision shall be taken. BCHAA members were asked to submit specific instances where LCL consignments were delayed due to CSD hold. The Additional Commissioner, Docks was asked to examine the issue and put up a note to resolve the matter in 10 working days.

(Action:- ADC Docks)

4.2 Request to Fix the charges of Custom Approved Chartered Engineers for Examination and Valuation purpose:-

BCHAA requested that charges may be fixed for the Chartered Engineers empanelled by Customs for Valuation of second hand machinery as some Chartered Engineers are charging huge amounts. They informed Chairperson that the same has been fixed vide Public Notice issued by Bangalore Customs.

The Chairperson observed that the same shall be examined. She asked Jt Commr Gr V to examine the issue and put up report for taking appropriate decision.

(Action Jt Commr GR V)

4.3 The Chairperson informed the members that a Public Notice No 47/2014 was issued to address the problems for old pending refund claims. Shri Rajesh Kumar Agarwal, Joint Commissioner, JNCH was nominated as the nodal officer. It was noticed that despite the initiative the response is less than expectation, as only 38 representations had been received.

(Action : BCHAA)

4.4 Shri R Rajshekhar informed that the behaviour of staff posted for issuance of daily passes and Correspondence Section is not proper and there is substantial delay in issuance of Daily pass. Chairperson asked DC(AM) to forward the list of members of PTFC to CHS, with clear direction to ensure that they are allowed hassle free entry. She asked DC (AM) to put up letter to ADC (PG) informing about the problems being faced by the trade for entry into the building.

(Action : ADC AM)

4.5 The Members informed that issue of major/minor amendment needs to be re-examined. The Chairperson asked the members to give a representation which will be examined.

(Action : BCHAA)

5. Chairperson informed members that the Government is working for 'Ease of doing Business' and requested members to give suggestions on the same, particularly on reduction of Dwell Time in clearance of cargo. Chairperson specifically requested the Importers/ Customs Brokers to give constructive suggestions for reduction of time between assessment and payment of duty. Shri Mohan Nihalani stated that there is an urgent need of regulator at Port as the delay is due to working of other agencies and not Customs. Chairperson concurred with the view and observed that all stakeholders have to work in co-ordination.

On the issue of e-DOs, Chairperson observed that direction has been issued in this regard by DGFT and urged MANSA to implement the same as early as possible.

6. The members were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on Thursday, 12th of March, 2015 i.e. 12.03.2015 at 1130hrs. The Chairperson requested all the Association Members to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance atleast 03 days in advance on Fax No. 022-27243245 or by e-mail to Appraising Main (Imp) Section on appraisingmain.jnchimp@gmail.com for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

7. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs NS III, I.

Sd/- 24.02.2015

(R.K.SINGH)

DY. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS
APPRAISING MAIN (IMPORT), JNCH

To,

All the Members of PTFC

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1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II, JNCH, Sheva.

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