# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 15.01.2015

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The PTFC meeting held on 15.01.2015 was chaired by Ms. Seema Jere Bisht, Commissioner of Customs NS-III, I & 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	Hiren D Ruparel	BCHAA
4	Omprakash Agarwal	MACCIA
5	Manish Kumar	MANSA
6	Victor Fernandes	MANSA
7	Rajesh Gosalia	BCHAA
8	V.K. Agarwal	ONIDA
9	D.L Thakker	BCHAA
10	Paresh Shah	BCHAA
11	Suresh Dalvi	BCHAA
12	Sunil M Ingole	JNPT
13	Ashish Pednekar	BCHAA
14	R.K. Rubin	AMTOI
15	Ganpat P. Korade	BCHAA
16	Vinayak B Aparaj	BCHAA
17	K.S. Shetty	BCHAA
18	Milan Desai	BCHAA
19	Laksha Tadadikar	Ameya CFS
20	Pramod Parave	APM CFS
21	V. Rajendran	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
22	S.Anantha Krishnan	Addl. 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.

# **3. AGENDA POINTS IN PREVIOUS PTFC MEETING HELD ON 11.12.2014 3.1. List of Not a Drug item from Drug Controller:-**

The Chairperson informed that the Astt. Drug Controller submitted Part List of No Drug Items of import, which do not require to be referred to ADC for No Objection by Customs. The Jt. Commissioner Gr. IIA-F informed that the part list submitted by the Astt. Drug Controller has been circulated to concerned Group Officers and Docks Officers. He further informed that the Astt. Drug Controller has been requested to submit the balance list, Group II A-F is pursuing the matter.

# (Action: -Jt. Commr R.K.Agarwal; ADC)

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

The Chairperson informed members that the study group under the Chairpersonship of Sh. Aseem Kumar has held one meeting. Sh. Aseem Kumar informed that the representatives of CHA were not present in the meeting of Study Group because of their elections. Office bearer of BCHAA informed Chairperson that Shri Paresh Desai and Shri Milan Desai have been nominated by BCHAA for the meeting with Shri Aseem Kumar. Chairperson asked Addl Commissioner to conduct the meeting quickly and ensure that the report is submitted before next PTFC

## (Action : BCHAA)

# **3.3.Verification of Cash Payment Receipt**

The member from BCHAA had informed that the problem is only for Friday as the consignment is delayed upto Monday for want of verification of Cash payment Challan. BCHAA requested that verification may be discontinued. Chairperson informed that Additional Commissioner (Cash) has been asked to depute an officer in cash Section for Saturday. ADC (Appraising Main) was told to verify whether the officer has been deputed.

#### (Action:- ADC Appraising Main)

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

Representative of BCHAA stated that after introduction of Self Assessment, the Appellate Commissioner holds that Appeal can be entertained only if Re-assessment or order of assessment is issued by the Department whereas the Appraising Group takes a view that assessment done, whether self or not, is an assessment order as was done prior to the introduction of Self Assessment as of now, in most cases of this nature Commissioner (Appeal) is remanding the matter.

BCHAA representative informed Commissioner that re-assessment/ amendment u/s149 of CA'62 is not allowed in cases where importers by mistake forget to claim notification benefit for which he was entitled.

Chairperson informed the members that JNCH has already taken up this issue with Board and asked the concerned BCHAA representative to discuss this issue with Sh. Rajesh Agarwal, Jt. Commr. The Chairperson informed that this issue was also deliberated in the Chief Commissioners Conference held recently. The Chairperson further informed that Board has also been requested to resolve the difficulties. The Chairperson informed the stakeholders to highlight the issue in the next open house meeting and submit a representation to JNCH so that JNCH can take it up this matter with CBEC. In the meanwhile ADC(AM) to put up a reference to CBEC on this point.

# (Action : ADC (AM))

# **3.5.FRESH POINTS**

(I)Validity of day to day exchange rate of Banks for currency not covered by exchange rate Notification of CBEC for atleast 7 days.

(i) The importer has represented for RMB rate (Chinese Currency) of Banks to be valid for 7 days. The Chairperson observed that due to the fluctuation of the currency exchange rate has to be monitored on day to day basis as RMB is not covered by Exchange rate Notification. She asked members to submit representation which shall be referred to Board for consideration.

# (Action :- BCHAA)

(II)Representation for membership of PTFC by individual whether to be accepted in the light of the fact that PTFC is for Association/Federation and other stakeholders like JNPT, FSSAI, ADC etc. The Association Members informed the Chairperson that the PTFC meeting was not open to individuals. If any person wanted to attend the same they shall have to be nominated by some Association/Federation.

#### (Point:- Closed)

(III) **Best Practice-Software driven Document Management System:** The Chairperson informed the stakeholders 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. The members of PTFC welcomed the new initiative of Trade Facilitation and stated that it will ensure proper storing of data and its availability. Shri Pednekar from BCHAA informed Chairperson that he will discuss this issue with his counterpart in Delhi and submit the apprehension/comments in writing. Chairperson stated that all the concerns of stakeholders shall be examined. She asked members to submit their comments before the end of this month. It was informed that the need to implement this initiative was necessitated due to paucity of space and non-availability of documents for re-assessment etc.

(IV)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. Chairperson asked members as to whether they are availing 24X7. BCHAA informed that till date they have not availed.

(V)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.

4.The members were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on Thursday, 12th of February, 2015 i.e. 12.02.2015 at 1130hrs. The Chairperson requested all the Association Members to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance at-least **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.

5. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

6. This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (NS III, I & V), JNCH.

## Sd/-28.01.2015 (R.K.SINGH) DY. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS APPRAISING MAIN (IMPORT), JNCH

### To, All the Members of PTFC

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