



OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS NS-II & IV
JAWAHAR LAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, NHAVA SHEVA TAL:
URAN, DIST. RAIGAD, MAHARASHTRA-400707

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Date: 25.09.2018

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION
COMMITTEE HELD ON 24.09.2018.

The PTFC meeting held on 24.09.2018 was chaired by Shri Vijay Singh Chauhan, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V), Shri M. R. Mohanty, Commissioner of Customs (NS-II) and Shri Utkaarsh R. Tiwaari, Commissioner of Customs (NS-G). The meeting was attended by the following members/participants of trade:–

Sr. No.	Names (S/Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	Organization/Association/Designation
1.	Manish Kumar	MANSA
2.	Ashish Pednekar	ASCP
3.	Karunakar S. Shetty	BCBA
4.	Ganpat P. Korade	BCBA
5.	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
6.	Rajasekhar R	UPL
7.	Nimish Desai	WISA
8.	Laksha Tadadikar	CFSAI
9.	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
10.	Archana Roy	MIRC-ONIDA
11.	Venkat Narayanan	CFSAI
12.	V K Agarwal	ONIDA
13.	Roshan Irani	AIWCBA
14.	Mrs. Ganguly	AIWCBA
15.	Salim Shikalgar	CFSAI
16.	Maruti R. Gadge	BCBA
17.	Ashok Saini	BCBA
18.	Bakshi Md. Hanif	MANSA
19.	Milan Desai	WISA
20.	Paresh Shah	WISA
21.	S. Srinivas	CFSAI
22.	Mark Fernandes	IMC

Following Officers from the department attended the meeting:–

Sr. No.	Names (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Designation
1.	Dhirendra Lal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	R. P. Khandelwal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	R. K. Singh	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

4.	Pritee Chaudhary	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
5.	Alok Srivastava	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	Rohit Singla	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
7.	Rajiv Shankar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
8.	Dhirendra Kumar	Dy. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2. At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members and discussed the agenda points relating to Import Commissionerates first followed by agenda points of the Export/General Commissionerates.

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

Old Points

Point No. 1: Posting detail be displayed on website with contact nos.:-

All the CFS shall display the information pertaining to all the officers posted at the CFS including AC/DC / P.O / Superintendent / Appraiser / Examiner alongwith their contact nos. Kindly look and resolve the issue.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the data is being collected from all CFS and shall be updated on the JNCH website. Also, a separate section of Posting Orders would be displayed on the JNCH website providing access to all the posting orders of officers posted at JNCH.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 2: EGM and Stuffing error:-

It may be noted that the containers which are selected by the system for scanning /examination, the respective officer does not submit the stuffing data on time which causes delay in the release of various benefits / incentives such as MEIS, Drawback and IGST refunds.

We request your good office to kindly issue specific guidelines to the concerned officer to do the needful on daily basis.

Also, there has been various instances where the Shipping lines are not submitting EGM properly or submitting wrong data. This also affects release of Drawback, MEIS and IGST refunds. We therefore seek your kind assistance for the same.

Discussion: Taking note of decision already taken, BCBA representative informed that the training program regarding EGM errors and EGM related issues would be scheduled next month.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 3: Erratic functioning of Customs systems at Parking Plaza:-

There has been regular instances of a system breakdown for registration and LEO of shipping bills at Parking Plaza. We seek your kind intervention and assistance.

Discussion: The Chair informed that an exclusive meeting pertaining to Parking Plaza issues was already conducted by Addl. Commissioner of Customs, NS-II with BCBA and the Terminal Manager (Operations) on 19th September, 2018.

(Issue Closed)

New Points

Point No. 1: Utilisation of early morning hours for registration and examination of export cargo - Compliance of PN No 113/2017:-

At present due to non-availability of officers in the morning hours, there is delay in registration of Shipping Bills. As per the PN, first round inspection / examination is to be carried out from 11.30 to 1300 hrs. However, it was noticed that the 1st round is completed by 3.00 p.m. and 2nd round is completed late in the evening.

Request: We suggest that in terms of PN No 113/2017, first round of registration and examination be carried out and completed before 1300 hrs.

Discussion: The Chair informed that no such instance of non-adherence to Public Notice No. 113/2017 have come to the notice and these instances might be limited to certain CFS. Trade representatives were asked to report such instances to the higher authorities and prompt action would be initiated to resolve the issue.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 2: Delay in getting reports of Samples:-

Reports of samples given for valuation purpose are done late in the evening which results in delay in LEO which further delays in stuffing of container, thereby resulting in missing the vessel. We seek your kind co-operation to ensure that reports of samples for valuation purpose are given in time to ensure connectivity of vessel.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is being monitored. There is shortage of working staff in comparison to the sanctioned staff strength. Corrective measures would be taken in due course of time to ensure that consignments are not held up for want of test result of samples.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 3: Monitoring of time taken for movement of containers from Parking Plaza to Terminal:-

Trade is experiencing delays in movement of containers from Parking Plaza to Port Terminals. We kindly request that this time of movement of containers should be monitored to

ensure timely movement of containers from Parking Plaza to Port Terminals. This will help to reduce the dwell time.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is already being monitored closely.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 4: Infrastructure related issues at JWR CFS:-

JWR CFS is one of the major CFS for handling of export cargo. There is acute need for providing proper infrastructure for handling of Dock Stuffed Export Cargo. There is need to monitor traffic, internal maintenance.

Discussion: Trade representatives pointed out that there are lots of infrastructure issues being faced at JWR CFS. The Chair informed that the issue has been noted and an officer would be deputed to visit JWR CFS and discuss the issues. Also, the chair informed that the issues pertaining to traffic at JWR signal has already been pointed out to the JWR CFS management.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 5: Frequent breakdown of EDI System during night period at Parking Plaza:

We wish to highlight that due to frequent breakdown of EDI System at Parking Plaza, processing of export SB is adversely affected leading to delay of clearance of Export cargo. We suggest that for clearance of export cargo, robust working of EDI System is mandatory.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issue is already being monitored closely. It was mentioned that the frequent breakdown of EDI system is due to the power failure and non-availability of sufficient power backup to support the complete EDI system. Hence, it has been proposed to put generator set at auto mode at Parking Plaza and the problem is expected to be sorted out at the earliest.

(Issue Closed)

Point No. 6: Delay in availability of credit in the account after generation of scroll for IGST Refund and Drawback:

Trade is experiencing delay in availability of credit in the account after generation of scroll for IGST Refund and Drawback. We kindly request you to look into the matter to avoid delay.

Discussion: The Chair informed that the issues are being monitored on a daily basis and exporters are also guided to ensure there are no difficulties in the scroll generation and refund process. However, the process after generation of scroll is handled by PFMS, New Delhi and DG (Systems) and hence, specific issues are needed to be brought to the notice of PFMS & DG (Systems).

(Issue Closed)

With the permission of the Chair, trade members raised the following additional point:

Point No. 7: Unfortunate incidence happened on 10/09/2018 :

Trade representatives pointed out an unfortunate incident which happened on 10.09.2018 whereby 3 buses of APM Terminals staff were attacked by hooligans and stones were pelted on the buses. It led to breaking of glasses of the bus and injury to many staff members of APM Terminals who were in the bus. Trade informed that this incident has created a sense of fear and panic in the trade community and stringent action is required to ensure no such incidents happen in the future. It was also informed that the matter is already been taken up with the senior police officials.

Discussion: The Chair strongly condemned the attack and asked the trade representatives to file a detailed representation with the Chief Commissioner of Customs, JNCH.

The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on 25th October, 2018 at 11:30 AM at Conference Hall, 7th Floor, JNCH. All the Association members were requested to forward their agenda points, if any, **at least 07 working days in advance by e-mail to Appraising Main (Export) Section on apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in** for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

4. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.
5. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-II.
6. Minutes are placed on JNCH website and also being sent through emails to the members.

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(DHIRENDRA LAL)
Additional Commissioner of Customs,
Appraising Main (Export),
NS – II, JNCH.

To,

1. All the Members of PTFC (through email)
2. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
3. 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).
4. The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.
5. All Commissioners of Customs, Zone-II, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
6. All ADC/JC, DC/AC of Customs, JNCH, Nhava Sheva.
7. DC/EDI for uploading on JNCH website.
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