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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE
HELD ON 28.09.2017.**

The PTFC meeting held on 28.09.2017 was chaired by. Shri M. R. Mohanty, Commissioner of Customs, NS –I &II, Shri Vijay Singh Chauhan, Commissioner of Customs, NS – V Shri Subhash Agrawal, Commissioner of Customs, NS-III & IV and Shri Utkaarsh R. Tiwaari, Commissioner of Customs, NS (General) were also present in the meeting. The meeting was attended by the following Members/Participants of trade:–

Sr. No.	Names (Smt./Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	Organization/Association/Designation
1	Mohan Nihlani	AIIEA
2	Harpreet Makol	FIEO
3	Vinayak B. Aparaj	BCBA
4	Paresh Shah	WISA
5	Mark Fernandes	Sylvestiv & Co
6	S. V. Jadhav	QUEST CARGO
7	Philomena Pereira	MACCIA
8	Laksha Tadadikar	CFSAI
9	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
10	Venkt Narayan	CFSAI
11	Shankar Shinde	RCCI
12	Subhash Rajkumar	MANSA
13	Milan Desai	WISA
14	R. Rajsekhar	UPL Ltd
15	Ganpat P. Korade	BCBA
16	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
17	Tej Contractor	BCBA
18	Roshan Irani	AWCBA
19	Mrs Ganguly	AWCBA
20	Chetna Bhadika	AIWCBA
21	Christine Glen	AIWCBA
22	Neelesh Datir	AILBCIEA
23	R. N. Patnaik	RMS

Following Officers from department also attended the meeting:–

Sr. No.	Names (Smt./Shri/Ms.)	Designation
1.	Dhirendra Lal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	Vijay Risi	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	R. P. Khandelwal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
4.	Shamshad Alam	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
5.	Rohit Singla	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	Kunal Kashyap	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
7.	Rajiv Shankar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
8.	Alok Srivastava	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

9.	Shweta Yadav	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
10.	R. V. Shelke	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
11.	S. Veeramuthu	Deputy Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
12.	O. P. Yadav	Assistant Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2. Deputy/Assistant Commissioners of Customs, in charge of Import/Export Docks under JNCH, also attended the meeting.

3. At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members. The agenda relating to Import Commissionerate were discussed first, and then following agenda of the Export/General commissionerates were deliberated upon.

4. All the old points of the previous PTFC meeting were closed. The discussion & decision in respect of Agenda points pertaining to NS-G, NS-II & NS – IV Commissionerates are as under:-

5. NEW POINTS

Point No. 1: Re-print of shipping bills due to system issue:-

Request: Lots of shipping bills undergo reprint at Parking Plaza due to problem in EDI System. The export trade is facing difficulty at Parking Plaza since the procedure followed at Parking Plaza is different from procedure followed elsewhere. Officers at Parking Plaza are insisting for cancellation of LEO instead allowing reprint from AC/DC menu. It has been requested by the trade that in case of reprint due to EDI technical issue, reprint should be generated by AC/DC in charge of shift at Centralized Export Assessment Cell. Cancellation of LEO should not be insisted upon. The same facility should also be available on Sunday/Customs holidays.

Discussion: The Chairperson assured the trade members that the matter is under consideration and suitable action will be taken at the earliest.

(Attn: DC/Parking Plaza)

Point No. 2: Declaration for claiming higher rate of Drawback:-

Request: The trade has requested for specific process and time limit for settlement of Drawback claims where the export was already affected prior to the issuance of the Public Notice No. 101/2017. Further, the trade has requested for acceptance of single declaration as per Para 3 of Public Notice No. 101/2017, post the timeline of the said Public Notice. These claims should be settled immediately upon submitting the single declaration without asking the exporters to submit the supplementary claim.

Discussion: It was informed that self-declaration is to be submitted manually for processing of the disbursement of drawback. The trade members are not submitting self-declaration in this regard. Hence, it is requested to submit self-declaration to the Docks Officer while processing of the shipping bills. The Docks Officer will invariably feed the details of declaration in departmental comments of the EDI system. Further, it was informed that if there is any supplementary claim, then the same should be submitted as per Public Notice so as to enable processing of the supplementary claim at the earliest.

(Issue closed)

Point No. 3: Availability of AC/DC for Shipping bill assessment on Sunday/Holiday:-

Request: The trade has referred to Public Notice No. 64/2017 which states that Customs is working on 24 x 7 for exports. However, ACs/DCs are not available to finalize the assessment of shipping bills. It has been requested that AC/DC should also be available for completing the assessment

of shipping bills on holiday/Sunday. The charge of AO can be allotted to any Superintendent in Parking Plaza for Sunday/holidays.

Discussion: The Chairperson informed that Public Notice No. 64/2017 dated 22.05.2017 states that Customs is working on 24 x 7 with respect to only RMS facilitated and free shipping bills. However, holiday posting of AC/DC will be issued for the assessment of shipping bills as requested by the trade members. Facility Notice No. 122/2017 dated 28.09.2017 with respect to working of all assessing Groups (including CEAC and RMS Facilitation Cell) and Docks at JNCH on 30.09.2017 has been issued to for the processing and clearance of the import/export cargo considering the demand of trade members.

(Issue closed)

Point No. 4: Implementing Electronic Sealing for containers by exporters under self-sealing procedure:-

Request: It has been requested by the trade that a detailed SOP is required to be issued by Public Notice sensitizing the trade and officers regarding the changes to be made as per Board's Circular No. 26/2017, 36/2017 & 37/2017 regarding implementing Electronic Sealing for containers by exporters under self-sealing procedure.

Discussion: The Chairperson assured that a detailed SOP will be issued once some operational issues are sorted out. This office is taking the matter with Board as well in this regard. Public Notice No. 120/2017 dated 27.09.2017 has been issued with respect to implementation of Electronic Sealing for containers by exporters under self-sealing procedure prescribed vide circular 37/2017-Customs dated 20.09.2017.

6. The Commissioner of Customs, NS – V informed that CBEC has released Trade Facilitation Action Plan 2017 -2020 as per guidelines of WTO. In these guidelines, many changes have been mentioned relating to ease of doing business. He explained important elements of said action plan. He further added that more information will be given in every PTFC meetings.

(Issue closed)

7. The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on **26.10.2017 at 11.30hrs at Conference Hall, 7th Floor, JNCH**. The Chairperson requested all the Members to forward their agenda points, if any, at least **07 working days in advance** on Fax No. 022-27241256 or by e-mail to Appraising Main (Export) Section on apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

8. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

9. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-IV.

Sd/-

(R. P. KHANDELWAL)

Addl. Commissioner of Customs,
Appraising Main (Export),
NS – IV, JNCH.

To, All the Members of PTFC.

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Customs Zone-II, JNCH, NhavaSheva.
2. The Principal Commissioner of Customs, NS-I, JNCH, NhavaSheva.
3. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Directorate General of Taxpayer Services, CR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi 110 109.
4. The Pr. Addl. Director General, Directorate General of Tax Payers Services, Mumbai Zonal Unit, Room No. 138/139, New Custom House, Ballard Estate, Mumbai.
5. The Commissioner of Customs (NS-G & IV, II, III, V), JNCH, NhavaSheva.
6. All ADC/JC, DC/AC of Customs (N.S.-Gen, II & IV), JNCH, NhavaSheva.
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