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# MINUTES FOR THE P.T.F.C. (EXPORT) MEETING HELD ON 28.10.2021 AT 12.30 P.M.

The PTFC meeting held through video conference on 28.10.2021 was chaired by **Shri U. Niranjan**, Pr. Commissioner of Customs (NS-I), **Shri. N V Kulkarni**, Commissioner of Customs (NS-II & III), **Shri Istikhar Baig**, Commissioner of Customs (NS-Gen & Audit) and **Shri. D.S. Garbyal**, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V). The meeting was attended by the following members/participants of trade:-

क्रमस	τ̈́/.		(संगठन/संघ/ पदनाम)
Sr.	No.		Organization/Association/Designation
	1.	Ganpat Korade	ВСВА
	2.	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
	3.	Manohar Patyane	BCBA
	4.	Maruti Gadge	BCBA
	5.	Tej Contractor	ВСВА
	6.	Manish Kumar	MANSA
	7.	V. Rajappan	CDSCO
	8.	Vinayak Baparaj	BCBA
	9.	Paresh Thakkar	BCBA
	10.	Mrs. Ganguly	AWCBA
	11.	Nimish Desai	WISA
	12.	Neelesh Datir	AILBIEA
	13.	Shankar Shinde	FFFAI
	14.	Rekha	Assistant, CSLA
	15.	Paresh Shah	WISA
	16.	Kiran Rambhia	ВСВА
	17.	V.K. Agarwal	Mirc Electronics Ltd. (ONIDA)
	18.	Aashish Pednekar	FCBA
	19.	Dushyant Mulani	BCBA
	20.	Rahul V Bhojani	ВСВА
	21.	R K Rubin	ΑΜΤΟΙ
	22.	Sagar	FFFAI
	23.	Manoj N <b>a</b> ir	CFSAI, JWR
	24.	Arun Adak	CFSAI
	25.	Sheetal Ahluwalia	
	26.	Sunil Vasvani	Executive Director, CSLA

	Venkatram Narayanan	CFSAI
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28.	Kalpesh Jadhav	
29.	Anand	
30.	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
31.	Karunakar Shetty	
32.	Paresh Vaivade	
33.	Shailendra Penkar	
34.	Pramod	
35.	Mark S Fernandes	
36.	Capt. Iyer	
37.	Jayant Lapsia	
38.	Rajan Thakur	CSLA
39.	Rajshekhar R	
40.	Paras Shah	BCBA
41.	Subhash Rajkumar	CSLA
42.	Salim Shikalgar	CFSAI
43.	Salim	
44.	Avinash Satardekar	Asst. Manager Operations, BMCT

2. Following Officers from the department attended the meeting:-

क्रमसं/.	नाम (सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती)	पदनाम Designation	
Sr.No.	Names(S. Shri/Ms./Mrs.)		
1.	Sushil Chandra	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
2.	Hemlata Rai	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
3.	Raguram K	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
4.	Dinbandhu Diwakar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
5.	Suresh Merugu	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
б.	V Ramanadha Reddy	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
7.	Ravindra S Bhati	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	
8.	Sudhir S. Kohakade	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH	

**3.** Shri Raguram K, Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH started the discussion on the agenda points of the meeting related to the General & Export Commissionerate.

### A. GENERAL COMMISSIONERATE:

# [I] Agenda points proposed by Container Shipping Lines Association (India) (CSLA):

(1) Customs procedure for disposal/destruction needs to be simplified: CSLA have been informed by the member lines that the existing procedure of disposal/destruction is very time consuming & complicated process. Even though the order of disposal/destruction is issued by the Commissioner's office after the adjudication process, the NOC from review/appeal/disposal/BARC/other department etc. takes a minium of 6-8 months further for the final disposal/destruction of the goods. This complicated process is followed even in case some waste cargo is found in the empty container. This lengthy procedure leads to huge additional costs in terms of custodian storage charges. Following are the process & timeline taken in disposal/destruction of goods even after completion of adjudication process & order-in-Original issued by the Commissioner of Customs.

	Process	Timeline
Department	Order in Original is reviewed internally by the	90 days
Review	committee of Customs and NOC is issued after	
Appeal	90 days. Timeline to appeal against O-i-O is 60 days, thereafter NOC is issued	60 days
Disposal	Letter is submitted to Disposal Department and file is sent back again to commissioner office for issuance of letter to BARC	10-15 days
		15 days
BARC Disposal	NOC from BARC Letter is submitted to disposal department and file is forwarded to Commissioner office again for fixing of disposal date & final order of disposal.	

The process needs to be simplified especially in the case when the party is available and agrees with the O-i-O issued by the department. The above timeline of 90/days/60 days/requirement of new correspondence by the disposal department should not be applicable when the involved party agrees with the O-i-O. The Appeal period of 60 days & review period of 90 days need to be relaxed in such cases and destruction/disposal should be allowed within a week time once NOC is issued by BARC & other agencies.

# <u>REPLY: -</u> The Chair stated that if the Importers/Exporters are ready to give the letter in writing for Acceptance of O-in-O, the timeline for disposal/destruction may be reduced on case to case basis.

# (2) SCMTR Implementation date to be extended till technical issues are resolved and all logics are successfully tested:

We have been sharing SCMT filing related difficulties since the last four months. The issues still remain unresolved because of no response from DG System/CBIC team. Shipping lines/agents are unable to test export/import logics required for filing of Sea arrival manifest/Sea departure manifest.

### <u>REPLY:-</u> It is informed that the implementation date of SCMTR is a policy decision and the Board office/ DG Systems is the proper authority regarding the same. Further, it is suggested by the Chair to file SAM's (Sea Arrival Manifest) electronically by Shipping lines (Authorized Sea Carrier/Agents).

### (3) Delay in IGM Amendment:

It has been reported by our members that despite all the supporting documents being submitted to the respective department, the final amendment approval is delayed by almost 10-15 days. This issue has been cropping up since the last two weeks. Earlier it used to get approved on the same day as per the CBEC Circular 14/2017 & JNCH PN 47/2016.Kindly be informed that any delay in the IGM. Amendment approval leads to a delay in cargo clearance & increase in the detention/storage charges. JNCH is therefore requested to kindly direct the respective officers to clear all the backlogs and approve all amendments henceforth on the same day as was being done earlier. (The Commissioner informed that other those where a NOC is required, the amendments for the rest of the cases are done on the same day. In any case, the officers will be sensitized on the need for early amendments.

# <u>**REPLY:-</u>** The Chair stated that if in any case the delay is beyond 72 hrs., then the matter may be brought to the notice of senior officers.</u>

#### (II) <u>Agenda points proposed by Maritime Association of Nationwide Shipping</u> <u>Agencies- India (MANSA):</u>

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# (1) <u>Non availability of boarding officers sign on/sign off/other port related</u> activities:

It has been informed by our member agencies that most of the times boarding officers are occupied with boarding activities of the ship. They are not available in the boarding office. In absence of boarding officer the embarking/disembarking (sign on/sign off) process of crew members/other port related activities are delayed. The crew members have wait for embarking/disembarking clearance till the boarding officer comes back to the boarding office. The issue was discussed in PTFC meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. and the forum was informed that one officer will be available in boarding office for performing sign on/sign/off/other port related activities. We request JNCH to share update on this issue.

# <u>**REPLY:-</u>** There are shortage of officers. This issue will be taken up separately with DC/PG for posting of more staff.</u>

### (2) Intimation for arrival of the vessel to be accepted by the boarding department in email message:

Presently intimation for arrival of the ships are required to be given through hard copy letter. Shipping Lines officers are located 10-15 Kms away from the port area. They need to send one person inside the port area just to submit intimation letter to customs. It was informed by the Commissioner in the last PTFC meeting that the intimation can be accepted in email message instead of accepting in hard copy. We sincerely request JNCH to share updates on this issue.

<u>REPLY:-</u> The intimation for arrival of the vessel is necessary for completing the boarding formalities timely. Shipping line can email all the necessary document and will be duly accepted.

#### (III) <u>Agenda points proposed by Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association</u> (BCBA):

#### (1) Examination Centre in CPP :

Presently all export containers are taken to CFS for examination thereby leading to delay in clearance. In view of endeavour of Govt. of India and to reduce the dwell time for clearance. We request you to have examination centre be made operational in CPP in larger interest of Export Trade.

# <u>**REPLY:-</u>** The Chair stated that the matter is already taken up with JNPT authorities (custodian of CPP) and still pending with them and suggested that to pursue the matter with JNPT authorities also.</u>

(2) For any change in Container Number which is observed at the time of final delivery, we suggest that in case of larger lot of containers, only the container requiring the change in container number be withheld, and balance containers be released for delivery.

<u>**REPLY:-</u>** The Chair stated that they will examine the matter after receiving/submission of detailed written representation.</u>

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#### **B. EXPORT COMMISSIONERATE:**

(I) Agenda points proposed by Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association (BCBA):

(1) <u>Request to assign task of Export Shipping Bill Assessment to Officers deputed</u> on Holiday Posting:-

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Deputy Commissioner of Customs Appraising Main (Export)

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We refer to Esstt. Office Order No. 96/2021 P&E JNCH dated 30.09.2021 regarding Holiday Posting of officers for the Month of October, 2021. Similar Orders are being issued every month and these officers are attending to functions as stipulated in the office order. We request your help in allowing these officers to do Shipping Bill Assessment in addition to their existing functions. This will further enable smooth clearance of Export Consignments on custom holidays.

## <u>REPLY:-</u> This office is in process of creation of roaster of officers for Export Assessment on holidays.

## (2) Examination for perishable Items:-

We refer to PN No. 46/2017 regarding procedure for clearance of export cargo categorised as Hazardous Goods. Perishable Cargo is also of utmost importance and the procedure involved is time consuming and any sort of delay results in damage of perishable cargo. We request that the same procedure as per PN 46/2017, may be adopted for perishable cargo in larger interest of EXIM Trade.

### <u>**REPLY:-</u>** The Chair suggested that to give the representation to NCTC and JNCH.</u> The examination or facilitation of the cargo is based on the interdictions of NCTC in system.

To -

All the Members of PTFC (through email)

Copy to (through email):

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

MUMBAI-II 2. The Principal Addl. Director General, Directorate General of Tax Payers Services,

Mumbai Zonal Unit, Room No.138/139, New Custom House, Ballard Estate, Mumbai-सीमाशल्क आयुक्त (एन.एस.-400 001 (mzu-dgtps@gov.in).

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3. The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.

4. All Commissioners of Customs, Zone-II, JNCH, Sheva.

5. All AD/JC, DC/AC of Customs, JNCH, Sheva.

6. DC/EDI for uploading on JNCH website.

7. Hindi Officer: for translation and issuance of Hindi version and

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