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MUMBAI CUSTOMS ZONE-II, APPRAISING MAIN (EXPORT),
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION
COMMITTEE (EXPORT) HELD AT JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE
ON 29.06.2021.

The P.T.F.C. meeting was held on 30.04.2021 was chaired by Shri U. Niranjn, Pr. Commissioner of Customs (NS-I), Shri S. K. Vimalnathan, Pr. Commissioner of Customs (MS-III) and Shri S. Mahendru, Commissioner of Customs (NS-II & NS- General).

2. The meeting was attended by the following Members of the trade:

Sr.No.	Names (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Organization/Association
1	P. G. Rao	JNPT
2	Nimish Desai	WISA
3	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
4	Manohar Patyane	BCBA
5	Maruti Gadge	MCMA
6	Ganpat Korade	BCBA
7	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
8	Jacob Thomas	CFSAI
9	Paresh Thakkar	BCBA
10	V.K. Agarwal	Mirc Electronics Ltd. (ONIDA)
11	Capt. Ram Iyer	MANSA
12	Manish Kumar	MANSA
13	Shyam	CSLA
14	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA
15	Neelesh Datir	ALBIEA
16	R. K. Rubin	AMTOI
17	Paras Shah	BCBA
18	Bakshi Md. Hanif	MANSA
19	Vinayak Baparaj	BCBA
20	Aruna	CFSAI
21	Roshan	
22	Shrikant Bhagavatula	
23	Jude	
24	Mrs. Ganguly	
25	Dayanand Kotian	
26	Ashish Pendenkar	
27	S.P. Sanjay	
28	Raju Bhoir	
29	Harsh Lapsia	
30	Tej Contractor	BCBA
31	Salim	
32	Sheetal Ahiuwalia	
33	Atul Jahagirdar	
34	Rajsekhar	United Phosphorous Ltd.

35	Rekha	CSLA
36	V.K. Agarwal	Mirc Electronics Ltd. (ONIDA)
37	V. Rajappan	CDSCO
38	Shailendra Penkar	MANSA
39	Karunakar Shetty	BCBA
40	Srinivas Subramanian	CFSAI

The following officer from the Department attended the meeting:

क्रमसं./ Sr.No.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Names(S. Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	पदनाम Designation
1.	Rajiv Ranjan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	D.M. Tripathi	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	T. Arivazhagan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
4.	S. K. H. Meshram	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
5.	Manish Thapliyal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	Pandurang Chate	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
7.	Ajit Dan	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

3) Shri Ajit Dan, Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH, started the discussion on the agenda points of the meeting related to the import.

(I) Agenda points proposed by Container Freight Station Association Of (India) – (CFSAI)

1) Custodian are not getting the E OOC:

CFSAI had taken up this issue in the last PTFC held on 31st May, 2021 & as on date understand from CFS Members that provision of E OOC PDF copy is still not being available to the Custodian. Request JNCH to kindly intervene and address the issue.

Reply: The chair responded that CFSAI are supposed to send proposal in respect of this issue. The issue will be examined and forward it to DG systems.

2) Expediting the decision of Hold containers withheld by investigating agencies.

CFSAI had flagged this issue in the last PTFC Meeting dated 31st May, 2021 wherein as on date 1672 containers are withheld by various investigating agencies (attached XL sheet) like DRI, SIIB, CIU etc. Moreover, there are containers which are confiscated and kept in Bonded Warehouse lying uncleared/unclaimed for several years. CFSAI had requested JNCH to take up this matter with the investigating agencies with a time frame so as to when the containers shall be cleared/disposed off. Once again request JNCH to kindly intervene and addressed the issue.

Reply: The chair stated that they are already in the process of getting NOC's from all the agencies including CIU, SIIB(X)(I), MPSC, DRI. We have started the process of receiving NOC's. In this regard, we are already in the process of moving hold containers & other long standing containers as soon as possible.

(II) Agenda points proposed by Container Shipping Lines Association (India) – (CSLA)

1) Error noticed while filling ONLINE EGM:-

This is to bring to your kind attention that the issue, as highlighted in our email below on the 27th May, 2021 & 10th June 2021 still remains to be addressed.

Further, it has been observed that earlier the errors (Q,QN,QNC) rectification used to be regularized by the customs department itself. However, now a days, after the corrective action is taken by JNCH, the shipping lines are required to file the EGM once again, which is simply duplication of work.

JNCH is therefore hereby requested to kindly take up this issue with CBIC & DG Systems so that once corrective action is taken by the customs department, there is no need for the EGMs to be filed again by the Shipping lines.

Reply: The chair stated that there are several EGM errors which got rectified. We have rectified 30,000 to 40,000 errors like (Q,QN,QNC) from last 2 weeks. But there are certain issues wherein there is requirement of EGM to be filed again. Those issues we will take up with DG Systems. Both DG Systems and JNCH are working together to ensure EGM errors are corrected online without any need for re-filing of EGM.

2) EDI Shipping Bills from Customs to Shipping Lines:

(a) Electronics PDF Shipping Bill & e-gate pass documents must be issued instantly, it should be issued with 15-20 mins only.

(b) A provision should be made to share Electronic PDF Shipping bill & e-gate pass data with shipping line through EDI file in order to made this process complete paperless and faceless. The EDI sharing of Shipping Bill data with shipping lines will reduce 100% EGM errors and expedite IGST refund process as well.

(c) Manual print out of electronic PDF Shipping Bill/Gate pass document should not be allowed in normal cases when customs online system is working perfectly.

This point was taken up at the PTFC meeting held on the 26th of March 2021, wherein JNCH had promised to take this matter up with DG Systems. At the last PTFC meeting held on 30th April too, Mr. Mahendru mentioned that the matter had already been taken up with DG System and that JNCH would revert as soon as feedback was received from DG system. Since this matter has been pending for quite a while, would deeply appreciate JNCH having this matter addressed with DG Systems and confirming at the forthcoming PTFC meeting this month.

Attached is the email of 06th March, 2021 from CSLA in the matter.

At the last PTFC meeting Mr. Mahendru was kind enough to once again inform that the issue had already been taken up with DG Systems and that JNCH would request them to expedite the matter. Would deeply appreciate and update on the same.

Reply: The chair stated that EDI copy of Shipping Bills should be received by shipping line which apparently they are not receiving or receiving it late. We have already taken up this issue with DG systems so that, shipping line can get shipping bills without any delay.

3) SCMT implementation to be extended till all messages functionalities become operational and filed successfully by all concerned stakeholders:

There are many SCMT scenarios which are not getting accepted/not yet operational. The LCL shipments, Empty containers, Haz shipments, many HS codes, SDM & SDN messages errors etc are still getting rejected by the system. This has been reported to DG Systems & nodal officers by our member lines on many occasions but there has been no positive response as yet in the last two months. The export scenario, CSN/SAM/SDM amendment etc. have not yet been tested. The 2nd filing and SAM/SDM and 1st SAM filing with CSN reference number is not getting accepted. The systems giving an unexpected error which is not relevant to the respective message filing. ICD arrival/departure manifest filing is not yet tested by the ICD carrier. In view of the above, DG System /CBIC may kindly be requested to extend the implementation date until all the issues are resolved and SMT messages are filed smoothly by all the stockholders. Would also request for an effective HELP DESK which responds promptly and clearly to all queries raised by the users.

Reply: The chair stated that this is a policy matter. Government has to take all issue and implement on 30th June 2021.

(III) Agenda points proposed by Brihanmumbai Customs Brokers Association – (BCBA)

1) Movement of CEAC to CPP:

This point has already been taken up in the earlier PTFC meeting. We would like to ring to your kind notice that in the present COVID-19 pandemic, clearance of export containers is of utmost importance for boost of Indian Economy. However, it is noticed that not all stakeholders in the process of clearance are available in the CPP which lead to delay in clearance of export containers and thereby increasing the dwell time for clearance.

Reply: The chair stated that they are keen to move export containers from CEAC to CPP. We will ensure that this matter is quickly resolved as soon as notes are installed.

2) Updation of Stuffing reports in Customs EDI System:

The process of updation of 'stuffing reports' in the customs EDI System needs to be streamlined across the various CFS's.

We would like to bring to kind notice that unless the EDI System is updated with the requisite information, the Shipping Bill will not move ahead for disbursement of Drawback, IGST and other benefits.

In view of the above, we once again request you to kindly issue fresh guidelines for prompt updation of the pending 'stuffing reports' in the Customs EDI System so as to ensure prompt disbursement of DBK, IGST and other benefits.

Reply: The chair stated that as far as stuffing reports are concerned, the CFSs have certain issues and pendency have reduced from 80,000 to 50,000 with the help of DG systems for resolving this issue. We will intend to eliminate all stuffing reports errors' definitely by the first week of July. He had directed all the CFSs to take the meeting with custodians to file early stuffing reports.

3) Amendments under Section 149 to be done electronically.

In the current process if in case there is any amendment which requires to be done under Section 149, an application is made to CEAC who often issues a Shipment Certificates. With the implementation of SCMTR there is a change in the System the carrier may not be in a position to amend the same. E.g. if one list 1000 pcs in the Shipping Bill, and the same requires to be modified to 950.

At present the Amendments under Section 149 are being done manually, we request that the same can be done through the EDI System which will reduce the dwell time for clearance.

Reply: The chair stated that we will take up the matter with DG/ Systems.

4) Delay in generation of electronic copy of Shipping Bills after LEO:

BCBA submits that the Public Notice No. 74 / 2020 specifies process of receipt of electronic copies of Shipping Bills & Gate Pass from ICEGATE. However, there is a delay in receipt of the email from the time of LEO (and sometime the emails are not received) and hence we request to create a provision to download the Shipping Copies from ICEGATE.

Reply: The chair stated that this issue is already taken up with DG Systems & we are awaiting response from DG Systems for rectification of this issue.

(IV) Online payment of fees/charges levied by Customs:

We would like to bring to your kind notice that based on the applicable public notice/circulars, fees are being levied on Exporter for shipping Bill amendment, errors rectifications of IGST refunds etc.

We are request for a facility to make online payment of such fees so that exporters are not required to approach the Custom House. This will help in eradicating the physical presence required in this current pandemic situation.

Reply: The chair stated that the matter is under consideration and all the stake holders needs to give some time for examining this issue.

(V) The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(VI) This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-General & NS-II.

((VII) Minutes are placed on JNCH website and also being sent through emails to the members.



(Abhijit L.Thorat)
Deputy Commissioner of Customs
Appraising Main (Export)

To -

All the Members of PTFC (through email)

Copy to (through email):

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3. The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.
4. All Commissioners of Customs, Zone-II, JNCH, Sheva.
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