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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION
COMMITTEE (EXPORT) HELD AT JAWAHARLAL
NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE ON 30.04.2021.**

The P.T.F.C. meeting was held on 30.04.2021 was chaired by Shri U. Niranjan, 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 Korde	BCBA
7	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
8	Jacob Thomas	CFSAI
9	Paresh Thakkar	BCBA
10	V.K. Agarwal	Mirc Electronics Ltd. (ONIDA)
11	Capt. Iyer	MANSA
12	Manish Kumar	MANSA
13	Shyam	CSLA
14	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA
15	Neelesh Datir	AILBIEA
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 Contrctor	
31	Salim	
32	Sheetal Ahiuwalia	
33	Atul Jahagirdar	

The following officer from the Department attended the meeting:

Sr.No.	Name of the officer	Designation
1	S.K.H. Meshram	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
2.	Manish Thapliyal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
3.	Pandurang Chate	Jt. Commissioner of Customs
4.	Ajit Dan	Jt. Commissioner of Customs
5.	Raghuram K.	Jt. Commissioner of Customs

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

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

1) CFSs to adopt system based processes instead of physical internal processes:

WISA informed that CFSs processes remain the same as pre-pandemic days and that CFSs adopt to System based process for following:

- Import charge invoice must be self generated by users through their website or to be mailed to Importer/CB on a written request by mail.
- All payment to be made either online through their website or by NEFT/RTGS transfers and be accepted on submission of UTR number.
- Maximum possible manual processes such as container grounding requests, seal cutting etc to be system driven eliminating physical interaction.
- Though the Customs department has eliminated physical printouts, entire trade is being made to carry physical print outs of 8-10 pages instead of erstwhile 3-4 pages.

Reply: This point is already being discussed and covered earlier.

2) Guidelines required for IGM/EGM amendment:

Online Process of IGM/EGM amendment:

There are two different process of IGM management:

- Amendment is allowed without customs approval before arrival of the vessel/entry inward process.
- Post arrival of the vessel/entry inward process the amendment is allowed with customs approval by submission of hard copy documents & making payment of customs amendment fee manually at the respective section.

Under SCMT regulation also, the IGM/EGM amendment without customs approval can be done electronically before arrival of the vessel/entry inward process. However, no clarity has been given in SCMT how IGM/EGM amendment will be carried out electronically post arrival of the vessel/entry inward process.

REPLY: This point is already dealt in detail by Principal Commissioner, NS-I. The representative of BCBA stated that in the last meeting they were advised to send brief note on the process part, which they have already submitted in their representation. They have requested to review the same and set a process IGM/EGM amendment. The chair informed that the representation will be examined in due course.

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

3) Leasing of CHA Licenses:

Our member lines have brought to our attention that various so called Custom House Agents (CHAs)/Custom Brokers are using CHA licenses belonging and registered in the name of some other persons/firms. We understand that these licenses are 'leased' by the original registered/license holder to some other party. Our member lines have been caught unaware and are deeply concerned particularly since such erring 'CHAs' are not member of BCBA and hence our lines have no resource to any assistance from BCBA.

Reply from BCBA:

- a) BCBA does not subscribe /support to any illegal activity regarding sub letting /sub leasing of CB license as it is illegal in terms of CBLR 2018.
- b) BCBA provides list of eligible members for valid transaction with CSLA on regular intervals for acceptance of cheques/payments from the Custom Brokers.
- c) BCBA time and again has also re-iterated to CSLA for acceptance of cheque/payment and it will be entirely responsibility of CSLA if they do not follow the list provided.

REPLY: Point closed.

4) Port clearance permission to be issued electronically as per JNCH PN 67/2020: Although JNCH PN 67/2020 is already in place in this regard, but due to lack of clarity/undefined process/no SOP the boarding department /preventive office department at JNCH is unable to issue port clearance permission as per the new process. The access of the proposed email ID should be given to the existing officer at JNCH who is presently allotting PC number through manual register and approved port clearance permission should be communicated to the Shipping Line through an email message/electronically within a specific timeline on the same email id through which application is submitted. JNCH is requested to issue SOP in this regard, to implement the process as stated in PN 67/2020. Also, request the existing process may please be continued till the new process streamlined. At the last CCFC meeting held on 24th March, Mr Rajiv Talwar, Chief Comm. Recommended that a working group, headed by the Commissioner (General) be formed which should study the matter and make a representation to the Chief Commissioner, who would in turn make a representation to the board. Request feedback on e-formation of this group.

REPLY: The chair stated that the PN is already in place in this regard. The E-mail id will be updated, so the permission could be communicated through E-mail, and accordingly the issue will be addressed.

5) EDI Shipping Bills from Customs to Shipping Lines

- a) Electronic PDF Shipping Bill & e-gate pass document must be issued instantly, preferably it should be issued within 15-20 minutes only.
- b) A provision should be made to share Electronics PDF Shipping bill & e-gate pass 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 last PTFC meeting held on 26th March 2021, wherein JNCH promised to take this matter up with DG Systems.

Reply: The chair stated that this issue is already taken up with DG system and once they do it, we will automatically have the shipping bills going directly to shipping line also and this will reduce the process

Agenda points proposed by MANSA

6) As JNPT has created New Inter Terminal route from BMCT to other NSA Terminals for the ICD by rail and Transshipment Containers. Hence, there should not be any need to obtain separate Customs permission, pay under Escort OT charges etc. The transshipment Containers should be permitted to shift basis Transshipment Permit copy only as done in case of other Terminals.

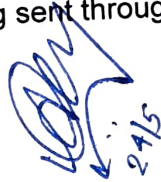
Reply from PSO: After issuance of PN No. 26/2021 dt. 25.03.2021, no escort is given and OT charges are not collected.

Reply: The chair stated that this issue is already addressed during the import deliberation. We will issue a clarification to the officers, if required. In case if the problem still persists, MANSA can come back to us.

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

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

9) 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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