

# MINUTES OF PTFC MEETING HELD ON 11.09.2014

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The PTFC Meeting held on **11th September, 2014 at 11.30 A.M. in Conference Hall, 5th Floor, B Wing** was chaired by **Ms. Seema Jere Bisht**, Commissioner of Customs JNCH (Import) and attended by the following members participants and officials from JNCH (I):-

Sr. No.	Names(S/Shri)	Organization/Association/Designation
01	Mohan Nihalani. (President)	All India Importers' Exporters' Association
02	V.K Agarwal	GM, Mirc Electronics Ltd (ONIDA)
03	Archana Roy	Manager, Exim, Mirc Electronics Ltd (ONIDA)
04	Subhas Rajkumar	MANSA
05	Ramakrishanan	MANSA
06	Dhananjay Manjre	Regional Manager, DHL Global Forwarding
07	Milan Desai	BCHAA
08	Paresh shah	BCHAA
09	D.L. Thakker	BCHAA
10	R.K. Rubin	AMTOI
11	Yash Vardhan	Vaishno Logistics , Yard CFS
12	Sanjay Bhanu	ISS-Shipping
13	Anand Bhole	Hyundai
14	Narendra Mhatre	Hapag Lloyd
15	Avinash Buge	JNPT
16	P.Nair	JNPT
17	Kalbinder Singh	PIL
18	Aseem Kumar	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
19	S. Anantha Krishnan	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
20	Nilkanth N. Shelke	Jt. Commissioner of Customs,JNCH
21	Rajesh Kumar Agarwal	Jt. Commissioner of Customs,JNCH
22	R.K.Singh	Dy. Commissioner of Customs,JNCH
23	Piyush Kamal	Dy. Commissioner of Customs,JNCH
24	Mrs Binny Sharma	Dy. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2. Chairperson welcomed all members present in the meeting. No fresh Agenda Points were received and hence she proceeded with the Points raised in Previous meeting.

### 3. AGENDA POINTS IN PREVIOUS PTFC MEETING HELD ON 14.08.2014

### **3.1. Assessment of Documents pending finalization of SVB/GATT Valuation:**

The representative of BCHAA informed Chairperson that they have submitted their representation for change in SVB procedure at JNCH on 14.08.2014 to D.C. SVB. Dy. Commr SVB present in the meeting informed Chairperson that only one copy of B/E is asked for debiting the Bond and verifying the manual RD Payment challan. She further informed Chairperson that the endorsement is made on only the front page of EDI assessed hard copy of B/E and on manual RD Challan for shed use. Chairperson observed that manual debiting is causing hardship to the trade however the same shall continue till the R D payment is brought on EDI. She asked D.C. SVB to devise a procedure for periodical reconciliation of manual RD Challan with Cash Department of JNCH. BCHAA agreed that as of now there is no problem with the procedure and there is no delay. DC/SVB was directed to ensure timely disposal of work related to SVC.

**(Point Closed)**

### **3.2. List of Not a Drug item from Drug Controller:-**

Representative of BCHAA informed Chairperson that the Astt. Drug Controller is not honouring their own past report that the item is Not a Drug. Chairperson observed that once the item whose chemical composition is well known, is certified as Not a Drug by ADC, need not be tested again by them as chemical composition of the item will obviously remain the same. She asked the members of trade to bring to her notice specific instances related to ADC, P/Q etc so that she can take up the matter with the concerned Department. The Chairperson asked Jt. Commissioner Gr. II, & II A-F to take up the matter with ADC and obtain at least the available list of Not a Drug item from ADC office expeditiously.

**(Action: – Jt. Commissioner Gr. II & II A-F)**

### **3.3 FSSAI Issue & Clearance of Food Stuff:-**

Chairperson informed the members that the problem has been taken up at highest level in ministry and that the JNCH is taking action as per law in case of clearance of food items as per the past test reports (Circular 03/2011). One of the member, Sh Ruben informed Chairperson that on this issue there is no uniform application of law in different parts of India. Chairperson observed that there should be uniformity in practice as law is the same and asked the trade and particularly BCHAA to submit B/Es wise detail of consignments pending for clearance due to FSSAI issue.

**(Action:- BCHAA & Members of other Associations)**

### **3.4 Cancellation of OOC and attending Jt. Survey by Customs in RMS Cleared B/E:-**

The Chairperson informed members that the study group has been formed under the Chairmanship of Sh. Aseem Kumar, Addl. Commissioner Docks to study the issue and give suggestion before 15th- October.

**(Action:- Addl. Commissioner Docks)**

### **3.5 Matter related to Scanning and Scanning charges by CFS:-**

Chairperson informed the members that the issue has been brought to the notice of appropriate authority for suitable action. On being asked the member informed that the charges are now not in the name of scanning but additional charges are still being charged. Chairperson asked them to raise this issue of extra charges in Export PTFC.

**(Point Closed)**

### **6. RTGS Service charges for SAD Refund:-**

The members informed Chairperson that they have received the proposal of manager SBI and are studying the matter. Sh. Nihalani stated that his association oppose such charges. Chairperson stated that status quo shall be maintained till decision is taken in this regard in PTFC.

**(Action: – SBI and member Associations)**

### **3.7 Sealing of Containers meant for ICD at JNPT Terminal**

Chairperson informed that the proper authority i.e. Commissioner of Customs JNCH (X) has clarified the matter and that the concerned importer M/s Hyundai has been informed about the same. The representative of JNPT stated that the said clarification does not include issue of missing seal. Sh Aseem Kumar , ADC Docks observed that the other two terminals are not insisting for Customs presence and are allowing reseal by Steamer Agent on payment of prescribed fee and terminal operator informs the new seal number to ICDs. There is no role of Customs as the customs is not the part of Joint survey at the time of landing of goods. He stated that the Steamer Agents are responsible for content and seal as they are the one who is giving declaration to that effect. Representative of MANSA stated that the Steamer Agent is not responsible in cases where container has landed with seal as per the survey report. JNPT representative informed that their representative are not present in such surveys. Chairperson observed that in case the Port and Steamer Agent requires Custom No Objection for re-sealing than the container has to be transferred to CFSs for detail examination before giving such permission. She asked the concerned persons to take up the matter with Commissioner Export JNCH as the matter relates to PG Unit under Export Commissionerate.

### **3.8. Shortlanding of Containers**

Chairperson stated that the matter has been explained in the last PTFC and that suitable guidelines have been issued to Import Noting to avoid delay.

**(Point Closed)**

### **3.9 ADD on CPT**

On being asked, the representative of Mirc Electronics informed Chairperson that he is not facing the problem now but the CCR on EDI is still the same. Chairperson asked DC/Appraising (Main) to refer the matter to RMD.

**(Point Closed)**

### **3.10 Verification of Cash Payment Receipt**

The members of BCHAA informed Chairperson that the verification of Revenue Deposit slip is causing delay. Sh. Shelke, Jt. Commissioner informed the members that the same is reduced to RD Challans only and that all other payments are on EDI. The Chairperson observed that the trade should not opt for manual payments except in SVB cases. She asked member association to give viable suggestions in this regard so that the delay can be avoided. BCHAA assured that they will submit their suggestion.

**(Action: Jt. Commr. EDI & BCHAA; other Associations)**

### **3.11 Conversion of prior entry to final EDI B/E**

The sponsoring member informed that the point has been resolved.

**(Point Closed)**

Chairperson asked members to submit all System related issues so that matter can be taken up with D.G. System for appropriate solution.

**(Action: BCHAA; Jt. Commr. EDI)**

### **3.12 Congestion at JNPT for transport of SMTP containers**

Chairperson informed that in case of delay due to congestion, the Consignee can apply for conversion of SMTP to Local which will be granted as early as possible. She asked Jt. Commr. Import Noting to examine the issue of delay in amendment and that the same should be reduced to less than 3 days. The member from ONIDA stated that in case of congestion, the consignee can opt for change of port before arrival of vessel, he need not go for amendment, if he acts timely.

## **4. FRESH POINTS**

4.1 Chairperson informed the members that the list of B/E under Query and pending in the Bank list for payment of duty have been uploaded on the System. She asked BCHAA and others to see that the queries are be answered and duty payment done in those consignments at the earliest.

### **4.2 Availment of 24\* 7 facility by trade.**

Chairperson urged the PTFC to encourage their members to avail the facility of 24\*7 clearance available at JNCH since 2012 for RMS facilitated consignments. She informed the members that officers in import are available for round the clock clearance. She asked D. C. Appraising main to put the names and phone number of officers posted for 24\*7 clearances at three clusters of JNPT on JNCH website. The representative of BCHAA informed that the early morning clearance i.e. before 09 AM will be beneficial considering the heavy traffic. Addl. Commissioner Docks informed that the second shift officer of 24\*7 scheme is available at that time. On being asked, the representative of CFSA informed that they are open round the clock for delivery and trade can avail the same with prior intimation. The member of Trade informed Chairperson that for such availment the Shipping Line offices should be open on Saturday and half day on Sunday, only then 24x7 can be effective.

Chairperson informed the members that her Office will take necessary action for ensuring the presence of all stakeholders for 24\*7 clearance with the consultation of concerned Ministry. However it is seen that despite steps taken in this regard till date nobody has come to avail the facility. The members assured Chairperson that they will give adequate publicity of the scheme and ensure its availment for RMS cleared consignments. Chairperson once again urged members to avail the facility.

4.3 Sh. Mohan Nihalani stated that more than 80% problem is due to the agencies other than Customs and that all the agencies at Port namely custodian, Steamer Agents, BCHAA etc should work under the Administrative Authority of Commissioner of Customs of that Port. Chairperson welcome the suggestion.

Sh Nihalani further suggested that there is no Help Desk in JNCH and that Help Desk should be located at the prominent point. He urged the BCHAA to raise the education level of their employees, who are interacting with the Group A Officers of Customs, as presently most of them are with low educational qualifications. BCHAA representative stated that the same is a welcome suggestion and should be adopted by all stakeholders interacting with Customs.

Chairperson asked ADC/A(M) to take up the matter regarding the Help Desk with ADC (PG) and get needful done quickly.

5. The members were informed that the next PTFC meeting is scheduled to be held on **09.10.2014 at 11.30 hrs** in the Conference Hall adjacent to the Office of the Commissioner of Customs (Import), 5th Floor, JNCH. The Chairperson requested all the Association Members to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance i.e. **03 days in advance** on Fax No. 022-27243245 or by E-mail to Appraising Main (Imp) Section on [appraisingmain.jnchimp@gmail.com](mailto:appraisingmain.jnchimp@gmail.com) for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

6. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

7. This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (Import), JNCH.

**(R.K. SINGH)**

**DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS  
APPRAISING MAIN (IMPORT), JNCH**

**To,**

All the Members of PTFC

**Copy to:**

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