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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 26.07.2018.

The PTFC meeting held on 26.07.2018 was chaired by Shri M R Mohanty, Commissioner of Customs, NS-II and Shri Utkarsh R. Tiwari, Commissioner of Customs, NS-G. The meeting was attended by the following members/participants of trade:-

Sr.	Names	Organization/Association/Designation
No.	(S/Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	
01	Ashish Pednekar	ASCP
02	Karunakan shetty	BCBA
03	Mark Fernandes	IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry
04	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
05	Vinayak Bapasaj	BCBA
06	Rajashekhar R	UPL
07	Nimish desai	WISA
08	Laksha tadadik	CFSAI
09	Umesh grover	CFSAI
10	Paresh Shah	WISA
11	Sanket kayani	WISA
12	Nirav Thakker	BCBA
13	Vinay Pathak	BCBA
14	Ashu saini	BCBA
15	Maruti Gadge	BCBA
16	S C Mohanty	MSWC
17	Gaupat P Korade	BCBA
18	Ketan A Desai	BCBA
19	Venkat Narayanan	CFSAI
20	V K Agarwal	ONIDA
21	Ramakrishnan	RCL
22	Omprakash Aggarwal	MSWA
23	Sagar dange	CSLA
24	Gururaj Kulkarni	CONCOR DRT
25	Sanjeev vasu	APMT
26	Salim Shikalgar	AMEYA

27	Manish Kumar	MANSA
28	Philomena Pereira	MACCIA
29	Satyajeet	ZIM & Star
30	Chetna Bhadeka	AWCBA

Following Officers from the department attended the meeting:-

Sr.	Names	Designation
No.	(Shri/Smt./Ms.)	
1.	Dhirendra Lal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
2.	R.P. Khandelwal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
3.	Nikhil R. Meshram	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
4.	Shamshad Alam	Addl. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
5.	Pritee Chaudhary	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
6.	Alok Srivastava	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
7.	Kunal Kashyap	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
8.	Rajiv Shankar	Joint Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
9.	S. Veeramuthu	Dy. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
10.	Sharad Ranjan	Asst. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
11.	Saifruddin Ahmed	Asst. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH
12.	R K Patil	Asst. Commissioner of Customs, JNCH

2) The Jt. Commissioner of Customs, Appraising Main (Import), started the discussion related to the Agenda points of the meeting.

OLD POINTS

Point no 1:- It is represented by trade that some certificate codes like EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) are not available in e-Sanchit code list. The trade requested that the Groups may give order for verification at the time of OOC.

Facts on the matter:- The Chair informed that the reply from DG/System is still awaited on this matter. The Chair, however, reiterated that the trade may use the certificate code related to "**Product specification Report**" having code "**006000**" till the matter is resolved.

[Action: DC/EDI]

Point no 2:-It is represented by MANSA that as per Board circular no. 20/2017 & JNCH Public Notice 70/2017, the online facility for generation of rotation number from ICEGATE was implemented 8 months back. There are few mandatory fields which are required to generate rotation number from ICEGATE. One of the mandatory fields is "Shipping Agent Code" which doesn't appear to those shipping lines who are not able to generate online rotation number under their ICEGATE login IDs.

As mentioned in MANSA's letter submitted to EDI department on 18th August 2017, following may be the possible reasons for some mandatory fields not appearing to few S/Lines.

- □ Some shipping lines may be registered as Shipping Line only; hence, shipping agent code is not reflected to those shipping lines.
- □ Some may be registered as Shipping Agent Only, Hence shipping line code is not reflected to those shipping lines.

This issue was discussed in the PTFC meeting held on 27th July 2017 where MANSA was guided to put up notes on this issue by mentioning names of the shipping lines/agents that are facing this problem and submit it to Jt. Commissioner, Preventive General. This point was wrongly minuted that stating some shipping lines are not following JNCH PN instead of the system issue, which was raised by our members. Also, there is an issue with the present online rotation screen / rotation receipt which doesn't show vessel name. It shows IMO number of the vessel only. Many a times name of the vessel is changed by the new owner. The IMO number remains same in all vessel related documents. Sometimes transmission of vessel data from PCS Server to Customs server is delayed which is not visible to shipping lines. Due to this reason rotation number is generated for the wrong vessel name (old vessel name) which shipping lines get to know at the time of submission of sailing report by the boarding officer. ICEGATE /DG System should be requested to add vessel name also in rotation application form & rotation receipt generated from ICEGATE system.

Facts on the matter:- The Chair informed that reply from DG/System is still awaited on this matter. On receipt of reply from DG(System), necessary action will be taken by this office expeditiously.

[Action: DC/EDI]

Point no 3:-It is represented by BCBA that it has been noticed in many cases that bill of entry is not routed to any of the PGAs even then the Group Appraising Officers insist for NOC from PGAs.

Facts on the matter:-The Chair informed that SWIFT module routes bills of entry through PGA, if any particular CTH attracts that PGA NOC, only at the time of filing the Bill of Entry. However, in case of reassessment, if CTH is changed from one which is not mapped for PGA NOC, to the one which is mapped for PGA NOC, the bill of entry does not again go through SWIFT module.

The matter has been investigated by CIU and it has been noticed that this is being done deliberately to avoid the process of getting NOCs from PGAs. If NOC is waived then there is no requirement of NOC but if NOC field is blank then NOC is required.

[Point Closed]

Point no 4:-It is represented by BCBA that Certain CFSs are still not issuing E invoices online, invoices are forwarded only on demand.

Facts on the matter: The Chair informed that the PSU CFS are in the process of updating their system. CONCOR DRT representative informed that at present they do not have this system but they are in the process of updating their system so as to provide this facility in future.

[Action: DC/CCSP Cell]

Point No. 5:-It is represented that Many CFSs have private vendors. It is requested that all CFS charges may be displayed at all CFSs.

Facts on the matter:-The Chair informed the Trade that DRT CONCOR CFS have rented out some space to private vendors for utilization of space. It is upto the CFSs regarding what business model they follow. Ultimately, the licensee shall be hold responsible for the activities carried out in the CFS for any theft, loss, mishandling etc of goods. Also, CFSs have been directed to display the charges.

[Action: DC/CCSP Cell]

Point No. 6:-It is represented that Import of cosmetics which are liable to comply standing order 22/2017, Importers who have already complied at the time of import and verified at the time of examination and then processed for bonding, Group insisting verification at the time of ex-bonding to Bond Dept. causing delay in clearances.

Facts on the matter:- The chair directed that once a document is checked, the same shouldn't be subjected to scrutiny for the second time. Only the fresh compliance should be seen for that BE.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 7:- It is represented by BCBA that AQ and FSSAI have same tests for some products i.e whey proteins. If FSSAI conducts same test as required by AQ, the same should be sent for test to AQ. This will save time and cost.

Facts on the matter:- The chair informed that AQ has replied that if the samples drawn by FSSAI also cover up the testing mandate of Animal Quarantine then drawing & testing of samples again is not required by AQ. A detailed test report issued by FSSAI will suffice. AQ does not have any problem if FSSAI draws and tests the sample and issued a detailed report. Reply from FSSAI is awaited in this regard.

[Action: DC/Appraising Main (I)]

NEW POINTS

Point No. 1:- It is represented by BCBA that in terms of the order issued by Govt. of Maharashtra restricting the usage of plastic, the submission of plastic folders at the CFS should be eliminated as all the required details are being captured by dept with implementation of e-sanchit.

Facts on the matter:- The chair informed the trade that as the order banning usage of plastic has been issued by Govt. of Maharashtra. Therefore, there is no requirement of any separate directive from this office in this regard.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 2:- It is represented by BCBA that earlier prior to final Updation of IGM in the BE was being done automatically in the EDI system after filing of the final IGM by the Shipping lines. However, due to some glitch in the system, prior to final uploading of the IGM in the BE is required to be done manually. They have requested that the original process of automatic uploading of IGM to convert the prior BE to final BE should be restored. Till such time prior to final

Updation should be carried out for DPD and Non-DPD consignments at respective OOC locations.

Facts on the matter: - The chair informed the trade that most of the prior/advance Bills of Entry automatically get regularized to final in the EDI system after filing of inward date of IGM by Shipping Lines. Only, in few cases, these bills of entry do not get regularized automatically, major reason for the same being issues like mismatch in weight, UQC, B/L No. B/L date, HBL No., HBL date etc.

There is already a Public Notice to address this situation. As per Public Notice No.84/2017 dated 28.06.2017, EDI Section / Docks officers are empowered to carry out the job of finalization. It is advised that wherever some importer reaches for this job to the CFS, Examiner/Appraiser at the CFS would attend the same.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 3:- It is represented by the BCBA that the files are forwarded by the noting section to CFS for physical verification of container number and seal number which delays the amendment and movement process. The container number and seal number are verified during port gate process and CFS gate in process, as such the verification should not be insisted from CFS.

Facts on the matter: - The chair informed that such verification is ordered only if there is a case of any mismatch. There are only a few cases like this.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 4:- It is represented by BCBA that Shipping lines/NVOCCs on an average take 2-3 days for filing of split IGM in case of LCL consignments. This has resulted in delay in clearance, levy of late submission charges, inaccurate details hindering the filing of Advance BE. They have requested to exempt levy of late submission charge in such cases.

Point No. 5:- It is represented by BCBA that the trade is unable to file advance BE for LCL shipment as Shipping Lines/NVOCCs takes 4-5 days to split up the IGM after arrival of the vessel and due to the above reason, there is drastic drop down for advance noting for LCL shipment.

Facts on the matter: - The chair informed that the delay is on the part of Shipping Line/Console agent to provide the job number to Import Noting section. Also, new rules regarding IGM are to come into force from 1st August, 2018 which are more stringent.

[Point Closed]

Point No. 6:- It is represented by CFSAI that issuance of PN 57/2018 dated 10.04.2018 has given a level playing field to all CFSs catering to DPD boxes rather than restricting to single designated CFS in respect of DPD-DPD-CFS boxes that are not cleared within 48 hours from the terminals at JNPT. However, their member CFSs have reported that barring GTI, they have not received any such boxes under DPD-DPD-CFS mode not cleared within 48 hours from other terminals.

They have requested to ensure strict compliance of PN 57/2018 by all the terminals. Further, they have requested that JNCH may also consider asking

terminals to furnish the full data of boxes under DPD/DPD/CFS category for a specified period of one month.

Facts on the matter: - The chair informed that the issue will be discussed with NSICT & JNPT.

[Action: DC/DPD Cell]

Point No. 7:- It is represented by CFSAI that there is a perpetual congestion built up during weekend at R scanner due to larger vessels berthing & situation becomes critical by Monday. Further, the scanner being old and obsolete has frequent breakdowns in addition to shutdowns every month for planned maintenance.

In the interim period, till such time the new scanner is not commissioned, it is requested that on the basis of a 12 hourly report, which CFSAI will provide, permission for examination in lieu of scanning may be given. This will address the issue to a large extent.

Facts on the matter: - The chair directed that in case of diversion of containers to CFS for 100% examination due to congestion for scanning of containers, a consolidated list of all such containers should be e-mailed directly to DC/Docks which are to be examined 100% instead of scanning so that CHA does not need to get written orders from DC/Docks. Also, the problem of breakdown of scanner is expected to be solved by Sep 15, 2018.

[Action: DC/Container Scanning Division]

Point No. 8:- It is represented by the CFSAI that as per terms of Para 3(vi) of PN 65/2005 dated 13.12.2005, Board Circular 50/2005 dated 01.12.2005 & 52/2005 dated 19.12.2005 wherein cargo which has been subjected to auction for more than four times and crossed one year, same may be released to the highest bidder without considering the bid price. There have been several instances where the cargo have been put up for auction for more than four times and that has crossed one year have been consistently rejected by disposal Cell of JNCH. CFSAI has already shared the list of data for such containers along with a representation letter on 18.07.2018.

Facts on the matter: - The chair informed that where the goods have been subjected to auction for more than four times and for valuation for more than 2 years, than the goods are to be re-valued. There are many cases where bid price has not been mentioned or is less than 5% of reserved price. Around 18000 containers have been disposed off in the last financial year and best efforts are being made to dispose containers on a regular basis.

[Point Closed]

3. Special emphasis was given on the fact that very few CBs are filing advance BEs and a meeting will be conducted regarding this matter. The chair directed that those who are filing 50% advance BEs should aim for more than 80% and those who are filing less than 50% should aim for at least 50% in the coming two months.

4. The members of the meeting were informed that the next PTFC meeting shall be held on **30.08.218 at 11:30** AM at conference Hall, 7th Floor, JNCH. **All the Association members were requested to forward their agenda**

points, if any, at least 07 working days in advance by e-mail to Appraising Main (Import) Section on <u>appraisingmain.jnch@gov.in</u> for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.

- 5. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.
- 6. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-I.
- 7. Minutes are placed on JNCH website and also being sent through emails to the members.

Sd/-(Safruddin Ahmed) Asstt. Commissioner of Customs Appraising main (I), JNCH (Tel: 022-27244896)

To,

All the Members of PTFC (through email) Copy to (through email)

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- **3.** The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai.
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