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MINUTES OF PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 06.10.2015

The fortnightly meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee was held on 06.10.2015 at 11.00 AM and was presided over by Shri.J.P. Singh, Commissioner of Customs (General). The following officers and representatives from the stakeholder organizations participated in the meeting:-

Name/ Designation of Departmental Attendees Shri/Ms	Organization
Sugriva Meena, Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Export)	Customs, ACC
R.K. Verma, Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import)	Customs, ACC
Rajesh F. Dhabre, Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Export)	Customs, ACC
S.S. Dhavale, Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import)	Customs, ACC
D.P. Singh, Dy. Commissioner of Customs (Import)	Customs, ACC

Name of Attendees from other stakeholder organizations Shri/ Ms	Organization
Nandan Kanchan, Manoj Singh, Ashok Satavase, Mayilvanan T, Cdr.Lokesh	MIAL (Mumbai International Airport Ltd - Custodian)
Rajiv Desai, Paresh Sangani, Sorab P.Engineer, Sanjeev Harale, Vinayak Aparaj	BCHAA (Brihanmumbai Custom House Agents' Association)
Loknath Rai	ACAAI (Air Cargo Agents Association of India)
K.D. Dhule, S.Pandit, Y.V. Rathod, Manisha Khedekar	AIR INDIA
Rahul Shivaputra Shakhapure, Shashi	Asst. Drug Controller (India)
Vishwanathan Nair	AIR FRANCE
Vaishali Kulkarni	COSIA
Tushar Jani	AMTONI
Deep Arora	CSC
Jyotsna Patil	JET AIRWAYS
Sanjay P.	EMIRATES
M.K. Kupresz	MCGM (OCTROI)
Mark Fernandes	IMC
Sudesh Gaikwad	FEDEX EXPRESS
Edwin Jesudass	SIEMENS

Points sponsored by the BRIHANMUMBAI CUSTOM HOUSE AGENTS' ASSOCIATION
vide letter dated 03.10.2015 which were taken up for discussions:

- i. *We thank Customs for allowing manual out of charge on 1st October, 2015 as this helped the trade in taking timely delivery of their goods which otherwise would have been difficult on account of holiday on 2nd October the next day.*

Representatives from BCHAA thanked Customs for allowing manual out of charge on 1st October, 2015 as this helped the trade in taking timely delivery of their goods.

[POINT MAY BE TREATED AS CLOSED]

- ii. *Change of Service centre vendor has resulted in delay for receiving first print as well as out of charge print. Training of new staff is essential for timely printing of the B/Es.*

Representatives from BCHAA informed the house that change of Service centre vendor has resulted in delay for receiving first print as well as out of charge print and that the training of new staff is essential for timely printing of the B/Es.

Commissioner of Customs (General) explained the house that this issue was due to the transition from one Service centre vendor to another and also the slowness of the ICEGATE and requested the members to bear with them for a few more days till the matter is resolved.

[ACTION: CUSTOMS]

- iii. *We request new vendor at Customs Service centre to put in place a system of paying the service charges by cheque. This process should be worked out whereby advance coupons can be purchased and same assigned to the respective job whenever it is printed. This system is already being followed by the vendor handling the (DMS) Document Management System.*

Representatives from BCHAA requested the house to put in place a system of paying the service charges by cheque and that this process shall be worked out whereby advance coupons can be purchased and same assigned to the respective job whenever it is printed. It was also informed by the representatives of BCHAA that this system is already being followed by the vendor handling the (DMS) Document Management System.

Commissioner of Customs (General) informed the house that the matter has been taken up with the new vendor and appropriate guidelines have been issued to them to follow the above suggestion and the same would be resolved in a couple more days.

[ACTION: CUSTOMS & MIAL]

- iv. *Only 2 printers are working in the export shed-require immediate attention as there are delays in shipping bill printing.*

Commissioner of Customs (General) informed the house that the issue of the shortage of the printers would be resolved shortly.

[ACTION: CUSTOMS]

- v. *Delays in obtaining ADC NOC for export shipments. There need to be a time bound procedure in place for obtaining NOC.*

Sh.Rahul Shivaputra Shakhapure, Asst. Drug Controller (India) informed the house that such instances are very rare and that they are pro-active in their approach and try to issue NOC for any sample within two hours. He further informed the house that off late there is an increase in the number of samples referred to them for NOCs from 400 to 600. Further, the time for issuing ADC NOC would be further reduced once new Officers are appointed as new Drug Inspectors have been recruited who are undergoing their six months training.

[ACTION: ASSTT. DRUG CONTROLLER, ACC, MUMBAI]

Points from the previous PTFC Meeting dated 24.09.2015 which were taken up for discussions:

- i. *The EDD module has already been integrated with ICES v1.5 with effect from June 2015 and it enables online payment of EDD. Request to make the online payment option operative at ACC.*

Representatives from BCHAA informed the house that a parallel process of debiting the manual registers is in place despite EDD module having been integrated with the ICES v1.5 with effect from June 2015 which creates duplication of the records.

Sh.S.S. Dhavale, Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import), informed the house that collective decision on this would be taken up along with the System Manager, New Custom House and System Manager, Nhava Sheva.

Commissioner of Customs (General) directed System Manager, Air Cargo Complex to take appropriate action this expeditiously.

[ACTION: CUSTOMS]

- ii. *One time registration for importer be carried out by BMC (vide Order No.OCT/296/Sahar/16/7/2009 dtd 20.07.2009). At present with each and every consignment the importer has to give complete set of documents, this results in unnecessary paper work. Request to start one time registration for regular importers.*

Representative from BMC informed the house that it would take some more time to streamline the process.

Commissioner of Customs (General) directed the BMC representative to get the issue resolved before the next PTFC Meeting.

[ACTION: BMC]

iii. Underutilization of second Saturdays

Commissioner of Customs (General) informed the house that when the Customs is working 24X7 then exporters cannot be forced to come at any particular hour and it was entirely the exporter's prerogative to bring in the cargo. However, a joint effort could be made by all the stakeholders to publicize and request the exporters to come at a time when it is less congested so as to ensure smooth functioning.

[ACTION: ALL STAKEHOLDERS]

Points raised with the permission of the Chair:

- i. *For Ex-Bonding of 100% EOU goods there is manual process which involves entry in 5 different registers. We have been given to understand that JNPT Customs have invited RFQ's from software vendors to design a system outside ICES 1.5 for capturing the data and have a single point monitoring system. Flow chart for current process is enclosed herewith.*

Representative from BCHAA informed the house that there is a manual process involving entry in 5 different registers for ex-bonding of 100 % EOU goods and if it could be done away with by using a single window operation. He also informed that JNPT Customs have invited RFQs from software vendors to design a system outside ICES 1.5 for capturing the data and have a single point monitoring system.

Commissioner of Customs (General) informed the house that the issue will be looked into and appropriate action would be taken by the Export Commissionerate to dispense with the redundant registers, if any, by issuing a suitable public notice.

[ACTION: CUSTOMS]

This issues with approval of the Commissioner of Customs (General).


09/10/2015

(Dr. S. S. Dhavale)

ADDL. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (I)
ACC, SAHAR, MUMBAI

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6. All Assistant/Deputy Commissioners of Customs, ACC, Mumbai
7. ASI/WL/RO/ADC/PHO/PQ/AQ/BMC/Octroi
8. Authorized Officer, FSSAI
9. Asst. Drug Controller
10. Air India/MIAL
11. State Bank of India
12. ACAA/BCHAA/BAR
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