

Office of Commissioner of Customs (General)
Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House
Nhava Sheva, Tal-Uran, Dist-Raigad, Maharashtra-400707

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Dated: 28.04.2020

Minutes of Meeting

A meeting was convened on 27.04.2020 at 12.30 pm by the Customs with representatives of five major CFSs. The Hon'ble MLA of Uran, Shri Mahesh Baldi was invited to be present. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone II participated. The list of participants is attached as Annexure-A.

2. A CFS-ICTPL representative Shri Laksha Tadadikar mentioned an issue of Gram Panchayat not releasing labour, to which the Hon'ble MLA informed that these issues already stood resolved.
3. The Customs representatives drew attention to the fact that the level of gate-out of import containers from CFS had been increasing continuously since 24.03.2020 and now reached up to almost the pre-Covid-19 levels. Moreover, other authorities like Gram Panchayats have not imposed any additional burden of higher rental for space occupied by CFSs.
4. In this regard, the attention of the participant CFS representatives was drawn to emails being received from importers being now mainly complaints against CFSs of overcharging ground rent, demurrage, detention and not suitably waiving them.
5. Deputy Chairman, JNPT inter alia urged the CFSs to recognize the fact that the containers were held up due to the lockdown imposed by Government of India and by the Government of Maharashtra for containment of the pandemic. He conveyed that CFS follow the Government directives in the matter of these waivers.
6. The Customs asked the CFSs to view the situation in perspective as guided by Commissioner of Customs (General) letters dated 27.03.2020, 09.04.2020, 23.04.2020 and 24.04.2020 and to follow the Government Orders / Advisories. It was highlighted also that CFSs are described in the guidelines for setting up CFS as being with public authority status which cast upon them duty to act responsibly including for themselves implementing the intent behind the Govt orders on the waivers. CFS were asked to devise and workout ways to redress the complaints and remove dissatisfaction with their charging.


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Enclosure-Annexure A

Copy to all participants as per Annexure-A

List of participants

Sr. No.	Name of the representative Shri / Ms	Designation	Name of the Organisation
1	Sanjay Mahendru	Commissioner	JNCH
2	Rajeev Ranjan	Addl. Commissioner	JNCH
3	Unmesh S Wagh	Dy Chairman	JNPT
4	LakshaTadadikar	Chief Executive Officer	ICTPL (Globicon Terminals)
5	Atul A. Jahagirdar	Dy. General Manager, Operations	CWC Logistics Park (Hind Terminals)
6	NanasahebZaware	Manager-Auctions	Navkar Corporation Ltd.
7	S. M. Salian	Vice President	All Cargo Logistics
8	Shubham Baldi	Director	Sarveshwar Logistics