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OFFICE OF THE PR. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (NS- I),

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दिनांक 01/12/2023 को सम्पन्न 'स्थायीव्यापारस्विधासमिति' (आयात) की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (IMPORT) OCTOBER HELD ON 01/12/2023

The PTFC meeting held through physical mode on 01/12/2023 was chaired by Shri. P. N. Pandey, Pr. Commissioner of Customs (NS-I) and attended by Shri D. S. Garbyal, Commissioner of Customs (General), Shri Sonal Bajaj, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V), Shri Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Commissioner of Customs (NS-II) and Shri. Ashwini Kumar, Commissioner of Customs (NS-III).

2. The meeting was attended by the following members/participants of the trade: –

क्रमसं./ Sr. No.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Names (S. Shri /Ms./Mrs.)	(संगठन / संघ / पदनाम) Organisation/ Association	उपस्थिति / Attendance in PTFC
1	Rajasekhar	UPL	Physical
2	Manish Kumar	CSLA/MANSA	Physical
3	Jacob Thomas	CFSAI	Physical
4	S. Srinivas	CFSAI	Physical
5	Umesh Grover	CFSAI	Physical
6	Salim Shukalgar	CFSAI	Physical
7	Nimish Desai	WISA	Physical
8	Nirav Thakkar	BCBA	Physical
9	Sanjay Shingote	BCBA	Physical
10	Karan Rambhia	FFFAI	Physical
11	Ashu Saini	BCBA	Physical
12	Harsh Laosia	BCBA	Physical
13	Gaupat P. Korade	BCBA	Physical
14	Sanjeev Harale	BCBA	Physical
15	Kiran Rambhia	BCBA	Physical
16	Shankar Shinde	FFFAI	Physical
17	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA	Physical
18	Dushyant Mulani	BCBA	Physical
19	Maruti R. Gadge	BCBA	Physical
20	Rajendra K. Salve	CPP Divvya	Physical
21	Sajid B. Shaikh,	Godrej & Boyce	Physical

l	22	Kamal S. Shah	BCBA	Physical
I	23	Paresh Shah	NISA	Physical
Ī	24	Subhash Bangar	CFSAI	Physical
Ī	25	OmPrakash Agrawal	MACCIA	Physical
Ī	26	Venkatram Narayanan	CFSAI	Physical

3. विभागकीओरसेनिम्नलिखितअधिकारियोंनेबैठकमेंभागलिया: - Following Officers from the department attended the meeting: -

क्रम.सं./ Sr. No.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Names(Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	पदनाम Designation
1.	Tariq Mabood	Addl. Commissioner, Customs
2.	Prasanna V. Pattanashetti	Addl. Commissioner, Customs
3.	Mahender Kumar Aggarwal	Addl. Commissioner, Customs
4.	K.K. Prasad	Addl. Commissioner, Customs

Shri Tariq Mabood, Addl. Commissioner of Customs, NS-I Commissionerate, JNCH, started the discussion on the agenda points of the meeting relating to the Import.

4. BCBA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्द /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY BCBA

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या / POINT NO. 1:</u> NCTC alerts / internal system alerts should be in consonance for items imported in ISO / flexi tank containers

For example: Haz cargo imported in ISO tanks and flexi tanks are being subjected to alert for 100% de-stuffing and check mis-declaration concealment also.

We request that all internal system alerts should be in consonance with the products imported. This leads to delay in clearance since trade needs to represent again for changing of the examination order.

It is impractical to adhere to the instructions given for Haz cargo covered under flexi tanks ISO tank containers.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: It was suggested to trade that importer/customs brokers should provide some codified information along with CTH in respect of such haz cargo, as well as an identifier for such containers e.g., ISO tank, flexi tank. Once this exercise is completed, matter will taken up with Customs Policy Wing and ICES for creating data fields in the integrated Bill of Entry to enable importers/customs brokers to submit the required information. Afterwards, using these codified data elements, RMS would be able to issue appropriate examination orders for such Haz cargo, based on the nature of cargo and associated potential risks.

In addition, it was suggested to the trade to send their specific suggestions in regard to the scanning of Haz cargo so that it could be analyzed properly for taking further decision on the issue.

(कार्यवाही हेत् / For Action: CBA, Members of the Trade, etc)

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या / POINT NO. 2:</u> Considerable delay is being experienced for carrying out of amendment in the BE

We have been given to understand that there is an issue in the assessment module wherein if an application for amendment is made, the amendment gets reflected on the officer's screen only after 6-12 hrs and sometimes next day.

We request that as per the earlier practice, upon application, amendment should reflect immediately on the officer's screen.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: There is a significant influx of amendment requests from importers/CHAs. Understanding the reasons behind these extensive amendments was emphasized. To facilitate this, Appraising group 1/1A in JNCH, Nhava Sheva, has initiated a Google sheet to document the reasons for amendments in Bills of Entry, filed by importers/CHA, along with relevant information for further analysis. This practice is recommended for adoption by other appraising groups within JNCH. Besides, current amendment procedure will studied and, if required, a public Notice will be issued to further streamline it.

Furthermore, the meeting addressed concerns about shipping lines not providing the 'on board date'. The Chair emphasized that the shipping lines should explicitly mention the on board date in the details provided to the importer/CHA. The trade was advised to report to SCMTR any discrepancies where the shipping lines mention a date other than the actual/ updated on board date. Noting the importance of data quality and the responsibility of, and collaboration among, all the stakeholders in the supply chain, Chair asked the reasons for increasing number of amendments in MBL number, date and container number, particularly after the shipment from the load port.

JNCH expressed readiness to organize a meeting with trade representatives, shipping lines, NVOCC and other relevant stakeholders to identify and resolve challenges faced by the trade community.

(कार्यवाही हेतु/ For Action: JNCH, CBA, Members of the Trade, etc)

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या / POINT NO. 3:</u> e-office process needs to be speeded up and time bound process to be in place.

<u>प्रतिक्रिया/Response:</u> e-office is an administrative matter and it is under proper monitoring by senior officer. e-office has enhanced the speed and visibility of file processing.

(बिन्दुसमाप्त / Point Closed)

5. Godrej के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY Godrej

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या / **POINT NO. 01:** Status on Final Assessment for the Bills of Entry assessed provisionally (with PD Bond & BG) under Section 18 for imports of Copper tubes and Pipes from Vietnam claiming ASEAN India Trade Agreement benefits (Ref: F.No.8/26-Misc-02/2022-23 Gr IV Pt1).

Note: Reference B/E No. 7584280 dtd. 29.08.23, 8305135 dtd. 14.10.23, 8412100 dtd. 21.10.23, 8414292 dtd. 21.10.23

<u>प्रतिक्रिया/Response:</u> As this issue pertains to a particular import company; it should not be discussed in PTFC. At the same time, it was suggested that the concerned ADC/JC may be contacted for resolution of the issue.

(बिन्द्समाप्त/ Point Closed)

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या / **POINT NO. 02:** Frequent integration error of Customs duty payment of Bills of Entry leading to re- processing and additional levy of interest charges (Enclosed ICEGATE Enquiry detail screenshot).

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: The Chair said the working of ECL has normalized now. However, if there is any issue with ECL, it should be immediately brought to the notice of EDI Cell. He added that recent such cases should be complied and taken up with ICES to identify the underlying reasons for taking corrective measure so as to avoid recurrence.

It was conveyed to the Trade that JNCH is conducting a reconciliation exercise for all consignments, which were given Out of Charge manually during the month of April 2023, due to ECL issues, as a Trade facilitation measure.

It was requested to Importers to pay the duty along with interest, which has been due for months for the consignments that were given manual Out of Charge.

(बिन्दुसमाप्त / Point Closed)

6 . Review of previous PTFC meeting agenda points and cognizance / compliances of required action:-

Minutes of previously held PTFC meetings were discussed in detail and status/compliance of the actionable points were discussed.

(i) <u>Examination Order Being Issued Has Increased:-</u>

The JNCH, Nhava Sheva has instructed all assessing officers to follow RMS-generated standardized examination order; they will give any additional examination order/instruction, if necessary. to complement the RMS-generated examination order, only in exceptional cases. He asked stakeholders to bring up specific cases of unnecessary/irrelevant/irrational examination orders on a regular basis for analysis and necessary action.

(ii) <u>Issuance of TR Manually For Drawing Samples:-</u>

A list of CTH and labs regarding the online generation of TR that are not mapped in ICES was consolidated by NS-V Commissionerate for onward submission to ICES. In the meantime, PN No. 57/2021 dated 23.06.2021 has been amended vide corrigendum dated 30.11.2023.

(iii) <u>Delay in granting of PGAs NOC/permissions:-</u>

A letter to ICEGATE was sent requesting to make NOC generation online. A separate meeting with PGAs will also be organized to resolve such issues along with other issues pertaining to PGAs.

The Commissioner of Customs, NS-V, JNCH informed that an SMS Module for the CRCL has been initiated and is functioning properly. He had asked the stakeholders about the feedback of proper receiving of SMS via Module.

(iv) <u>Increasing System Issues causing Delay in Faceless Assessments:</u>

It has been told to the Trade that the issues that arose in the ICES during past months have since been addressed. A systemic mechanism has been instituted to check proper functioning so that there would be no unreasonable delay in the assessment process.

(v) <u>Issues in case of Requirement of mandatory Additional Qualifiers:-</u>

Matter concerning finished products of Chapter 39 has been referred to the Board for resolution in the matter.

(बिन्दुसमाप्त / Point Closed)

- 7. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
- 8. This issues with the approval of the PR. Commissioner of Customs, NS-I
- 9. Any amendments to these minutes be provided within the next five working days.
- 10. Minutes are placed on the JNCH website and also sent through emails to the members.

(Shweta Suman)

स.आयुक्त,सीमाशुल्क/Asstt. Commissioner of Customs, मूल्य निरूपणमुख्य(आयात)/Appraising Main (I), जे.एन.सी.एच.,न्हावा शेवा/ JNCH, Nhava Sheva.

सेवामें /To,

पी.टी.एफ.सी. के सभी सदस्यों को ईमेल के माध्यम से /All the Members of PTFC (through email)

प्रतिलिपि/Copy to :(ईमेल के माध्यम से/ via email)

1. मुख्यआयुक्त,सीमाग्रुल्क,मुंबईअंचल-II/Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II;

GEN/AG/MTG/TMC/4/2023-A/M(I)-O/o Commr-CUS-Nhava Sheva-I

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- 2. प्रधानअपरमहानिदेशक,करदातासेवामहानिदेशालय,मुंबई/The Principal Add. Director General, Directorate General of Tax Payers Services, Mumbai Zonal Unit, room No 138/139, New Custom House, Mumbai-400001(mzu-dgtps@gov.in);
- 3. लोकपाल,अप्रत्यक्षकर,मुंबई/The Ombudsman, Indirect Taxes, Mumbai;
- 4. सीमाशुल्कआयुक्त, मुंबईअंचल-II/ Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II;
- 5. सभीअपर/संयुक्तआयुक्त,जेएनसीएच,न्हावाज्ञेवा /All ADCs/JCs JNCH, Nhava Sheva;
- 6. सभीउप/सहा.आयुक्त,जेएनसीएच,न्हावाशेवा /All DCs/ACs JNCH, Nhava Sheva;
- 7. सहा/उपआयुक्त, ईडीआई, जेएनसीएच,न्हावाशेवाकोअविलंबवैबसाइटमेंअपलोडकरनेकेलिए/AC/DC, EDI, JNCH, Nhava Sheva, for uploading in JNCH website;
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