

भारत सरकार/ Government of India वित्त मंत्रालय / Ministry of Finance आयुक्त सीमाशुल्क एन.एस.-II का कार्यालय Office of Commissioner of Customs NS-II, मुख्य निर्यात का मूल्यांकन, Appraising Main Export, जवाहरलाल नेहरू कस्टम हाउस, न्हावा शेवा, Jawaharlal Nehru Custom House, Nhava Sheva, जिला - रायगढ, महाराष्ट - 400 707

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दिनांक 22.08.2025 को सम्पन्न 'स्थायी व्यापार सुविधा समिति' (निर्यात) (सामान्य) की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (EXPORT) (GENERAL) AUG- 2025 HELD ON 22.08.2025

The PTFC meeting held in physical mode on 22.08.2025 was chaired by Shri. Yashodhan Arvind Wanage, Pr. Commissioner of Customs (NS-I), and attended by Smt. B. Sumidaa Devi, Commissioner of Customs (NS-General), Shri Vijay Risi, Commissioner of Customs (NS - III), Shri Anil Ramteke, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V).

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

क्र.सं./Sr No.	Names	(संगठन/संघ/पदनाम) Organisation/Association
	(Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	
1	Paresh Shah	WISA
2	Ganpat Korde	BCBA
3	Paresh Thakker	BCBA
4	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
5	Paras Shah	BCBA
6	Sanjay Shingote	BCBA
7	Nirav Thakker	BCBA
8	Harsh Lapsia	BCBA
9	Mrs Ganguly	AIWCBA
10	Divya Shetty	AIWCBA
11	Roshan Irani	AIWCBA
12	Ashish Pednekar	USIIC
13	Karunakar S Shetty	MACCIA
14	Omprakash Agrawal	MACCIA
15	Shivendra Mhatre	APMT
16	S. Srinivas	CFSAI
17	Sumeet Tanwar	CFSAI
18	Salim Shikalgar	CFSAI
19	Jeetendra V. Kadu	CFSAI
20	Sameer Patil	Hind Terminal
21	Bhupendra P. Tandel	One

22	S. Soundararajan	FCIPL
23	Vaibhav S. Kachale	ZIM
24	Rajasekhar R.	UPL
25	Ravi D. Rao	JNPA
26	Avadesh Kumar	RPQS
27	Dr. Parthasarathi Karmakar	CRCL
28	Rajesh Verma	CDSCO
29	Manish Kumar	CSLA/MANSA
30	Sachin Patil	CSLA/RCL
31	Mark S Fernandes	Sylvester
32	Rahul Mhatre	DP World
33	Sagar G. Mhatre	DP World

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

क्रमसं./ Sr.No.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Names(Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	पदनाम Designation
1.	Dr. Chittaranjan P.Wagh	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
2.	Satish Kumar	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
3.	Manoj Kumar	Joint Commissioner of Customs
4.	Jay G. Waghmare	Joint Commissioner of Customs
5.	Shubh Agrawal	Joint Commissioner of Customs
6.	Dr. Parul Singhal	Joint Commissioner of Customs
7.	Raj Kumar Mishra	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs

All participants were welcomed by Shri. Yashodan Arvind Wanage, Pr. Commissioner of Customs.

4. SYLVESTER & Co के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINT RAISED BY SYLVESTER & Co.:

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1.</u> Export containers to be shut out resulting in delay in Shipment:

It has now become an SOP at JN Port, for Export containers to be Shut out, despite the Containers being handed over to the Shipping Company at their respective CFS's, resulting in recovery of huge sum of money as terminal charges and also delay in Shipment physically leaving the Port.

BCBA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/ AGENDA POINT RAISED BY BCBA: कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1: Heavy Congestion at BMCT & DP World Gates

It has been brought to the notice of the Association that there is severe congestion at the BMCTPL and DP World terminal gates for a prolonged period which is resulting in a significant turnaround time for export trailers.

These delays are escalating transaction costs and, given the current geopolitical situation and tariff-related challenges, it is absolutely critical that export containers are able to connect on their scheduled vessels without disruption.

In view of the persistent congestion at Nhava Sheva terminals over the past several weeks, we request your urgent intervention with the concerned terminals to find a viable and lasting solution in the interest of the EXIM trade.

We respectfully seek your assistance in ensuring terminals are extending the cutoff suitably, so that all containers that have already moved from the Parking Plaza/CFS and are currently waiting in the queue can be gated in and loaded onto their designated vessels. We also request you to urge the terminals to proactively disseminate such information in the public domain. This would ensure that the trade, Customs, and all concerned stakeholders are kept well-informed and can plan accordingly.

Additionally, we request that no containers be shut out, in line with the provisions of JNCH Public Notice No. 73/2017 dated 08.06.2017.

In view of the above situation, we seek your urgent intervention in the matter

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: A committee has been formed by Chief Commissioner to look into different reasons for the possible congestion at port terminals and suggest appropriate measures to be taken by the different stakeholders to mitigate the issue.

5. CSLA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्द् /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY CSLA:

कार्यबिन्द संख्या/POINT NO. 1: Delay in getting restow permission.

It has been reported by our member lines that boarding officers are requiring BL documents for restow permission, causing delays since these are not always available for foreign transit cargo. This issue was previously addressed with the commissioner general in January 2025, who clarified that BL documents are not needed for restow permission.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: In this regard, it is submitted that a copy of the Bill of Lading is required to establish and verify the identity of the container with reference to the particulars declared in the Shipping Line's request letter. It has been observed on several occasions that restow permission is being sought for containers which are already destined for Nhava Sheva Port. Since such containers are already covered under the Import General Manifest (IGM), there is no requirement for seeking restow permission in these cases. Nevertheless, certain Shipping Lines continue to seek such permissions, which is not in conformity with the prescribed procedure.

The procedure in this matter has already been clearly laid down in the SOP circulated through the Commissioner (General)'s communication dated 09th January, 2025, to all Shipping Lines and Port Terminals.

It is further submitted that the copy of the Bill of Lading is not insisted upon in all cases. It is sought only in cases of doubt or on a random basis, purely as a precautionary measure to safeguard national interest and to prevent the grant of restow permission in respect of containers already manifested for discharge at Nhava Sheva Port.

কার্যনিন্দ্র মান্তরা/POINT NO. 2: Delay in generation of SCMT acknowledgement — Many a times there is abnormal delay in processing / generating acknowledgement of SCMT arrival manifest file, inward entry acknowledgment when EDI filed by the shipping line etc. which delays bill of entry & other filing process. The Sea Inward Entry message is required to be filed first by the shipping line/agent which is then approved by the boarding officer, The delay in

generation of acknowledgment of Sea Inward Entry job delays inward entry approval process as well. Because of this issue, scanning list generation process too is delayed that increases dwell time of import containers. The issues are taken up with ICEGATE and shared in the whatsapp group of JNCH SCMT cell on regular basis, but still this issue occurs frequently. JNCH is requested to take up the matter with ICEGATE / DG System to resolve this issue.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response:

The issue of delay in processing and generating acknowledgements of the SCMT arrival manifest file and inward entry acknowledgement, when filed by the shipping lines, has already been conveyed to ICEGATE/DG Systems. As per the information received, the delay is attributable to system errors/updates in ICEGATE.

6. AGENDA POINTS FROM Western India Bonded Warehouse Association

Agenda Point 1: Destruction of Expired Cargo:

The Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation operates a waste incineration plant that generates electricity. If JNCH could design a streamlined method to facilitate the transportation of expired cargo from bonded warehouses to this plant for destruction, it would provide an effective and environmentally friendly solution to a long-standing problem faced by the bonded warehouse industry.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: The issue was not taken up as there was no representative present from Western India Bonded Warehouse Association in the meeting.

7. CFSAI के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY CFSAI

Agenda Point 1: Export Dock stuffing activity to be carried 24*7 (AGENDA POINT FROM CFSAI)

With the Trade facilitation initiatives, CBIC had issued CBEC Circular No. 04/2017-Customs, dated 16th February, 2017 [F. No. 450/11/2003-Cus IV under "Ease of doing Business" followed by JNCH Public Notice 21/2017 dated 24th Feb 2017(copy attached) Point # 4(e) which specifies that

"Factory stuffed containers are already covered under 24x7 operations, therefore, MOT charges are not required to be paid in lieu of services (like verification of seals etc) rendered by customs officers at CFSs in respect of such containers. no MOT charges would be collected at CFSs exclusively to 24*7 ports for services rendered within the CFSs".

Whilst all Dock officers are following these directives, however very few of our members have informed us that Export Dock Superintendents posted in CFS are not giving stuffing permission activity beyond 7 PM as they are following very old circular 35/2006 dated 22nd May 2006 issued by JNCH which was superseded by PN 21/2017 which stems out of].

It is requested that dock officers posted at CFS to follow the JNCH PN 21/2017 and facilitate the trade by giving permission for stuffing activity 24*7 without insistence for Overtime charges.

BCBA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्द् /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY BCBA: Request for

24x7 Permission for Stuffing at CFSs (AGENDA POINT FROM BCBA)

In the interest of trade facilitation and to improve overall logistics efficiency, we respectfully request that permission be granted for 24x7 stuffing operations at CFSs.

This extended operational window will enable exporters to meet scheduled vessel timelines, especially during peak periods, and will significantly reduce the risk of delays. It will also help the trade avoid avoidable charges such as increased freight, roll-over charges, and no-show fees levied by shipping lines.

We trust that this proactive measure will be favourably considered to support seamless and timely export operations.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response:

In Export Docks, the officers on duty ensure that all containers presented for stuffing on any given day are properly stuffed and the relevant documents are signed on the same day. In cases of any stray pendency, the AC/DC Docks be intimated to resolve the issue.

Further, with reference to 24x7 stuffing permission, it is observed that the workload at most CFSs does not currently warrant such extended operations. However, officers are sensitized not to leave any stuffing pendency specially on the day preceding a holiday.

8. BCBA द्वारा उठाए गए अन्य एजेंडा बिंद्/OTHER AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY BCBA:

কার্যনিল্ট্র संख्या/POINT NO. 1: Implementation of the Export Entry (Post-Export Conversion in Relation to Instrument-Based Scheme) Regulations, 2025 - Request for Support in Streamlining Process

We express our sincere thanks to JN Customs for issuing Public Notice No. 44/2025 dated 22.05.2025, regarding the implementation of the Export Entry (Post-Export Conversion in Relation to Instrument-Based Scheme) Regulations, 2025.

We understand from trade, that there are various challenges in the EDI System along with the increased timelines with the laid-out process. We seek your help in addressing these concerns for implementation of the above mentioned PN at grassroot level.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response:

The Export Entry (Post-Export Conversion in Relation to Instrument-Based Scheme) Regulations, 2025 are notified in the month of Apr-25 and, subsequently a Public Notice 44/2025 dated 22.05.2025 was issued by JNCH. The same is being actively followed at CEAC along with the DG system Advisory no.16 dated 25.03.2025 for POST EGM Amendment Module. If any system error in implementing the above regulation occurs, same is being followed up with DG system for an early resolution.

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 2</u>: Request for Second Shift Examination at CPP for Open Examination

We refer to the JN Customs Office Order dated 20.12.2022 regarding the process of Open

Examination at the Centralised Parking Plaza (CPP).

In line with the objective of trade facilitation and to enhance operational efficiency, we respectfully request the re-initiation of a second shift for Open Examination at CPP.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response:

In this context it is submitted that as far as possible the examination staff posted at CPP carries out examination of all the shipping bills referred to them, during the course of the day. They invariably attend to every shipping bill referred to them.

The office order dated 20.12.2022 mentioned in the agenda point is a local office order issued by DC/ CPP. The order stipulates carrying out Registration/Examination & Report/LEO in three time slots of 11 AM to 2 PM, 2:30 pm to 5 pm and 5pm to 7:30 pm.

There is no delay on account of examination. However, issues relating to pending examination, if any, may be brought to the notice of AC/DC CPP for taking remedial measures.

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 3</u>: DYCC Test Reports - Availability and Entry in EDI System at CEAC

We would like to bring to your kind attention that, at present, the DYCC Test Reports are required to be collected from CWC IMPEX Park. In cases where the Test Report is not entered into the EDI system by the DYCC office, the Customs Broker/Exporter is compelled to collect the report from CWC IMPEX Park and then approach any Export CFS for its entry into the EDI system.

We respectfully submit that this process is cumbersome and results in unnecessary delays and coordination issues.

Since the final assessment of Shipping Bills is being carried out at the CEAC Cell, we request that the complete process, including the availability of the DYCC Test Reports and their entry into the EDI system be facilitated at the CEAC Cell itself.

This will greatly streamline the process and ensure timely finalization of export clearances.

We request your kind intervention in this regard.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response:

The concerns expressed by the trade regarding timely feeding of test report are of one of the basic facilitation measures in order to faster clearance of the export consignment.

As per para 5.2 of the Standing Order No. 17/2009 "A Central Sample Cell (CSC) headed by a Supdt. is established with the responsibility to collect the samples, their storage, arranging for tests and feeding test reports on EDI and intranet. The CSC is under the charge of AC/P(G) for logistics purposes and is under the overall supervision and control of Additional Commissioner (Import Docks) for supervision and monitoring."

In view of the above, it is felt that the feeding of the test report by the sample cell officers itself will always be faster as the test report result is received first by Central Sample Cell from the laboratory. The movement of the test report from sample Cell to CEAC for feeding will take longer time and subsequently it will delay the feeding process. Central Sample Cell(CSC) has been sensitized to timely collect sample and feed test report without delay.

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO.4: Request for Allowing Carting / Examination and Stuffing of Export Goods on Sundays at JWR and Connex CFS

We request your kind consideration to allow carting, examination, and stuffing of export consignments on Sundays at JWR and Connex CFS. This facilitation will significantly benefit the trade to meet the increase in volumes.

We sincerely urge the authorities to consider this request in the interest of improving operational efficiency and enhancing export competitiveness by ensuring quicker and more reliable cargo movement.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response:

At JWR CFS, container stuffing & examination is undertaken even on Sundays, subject to prior approval from the concerned Assistant Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner of Docks, and upon payment of the applicable overtime charges by the Custodian (i.e., JWR CFS) through challan generation on ICEGATE, in accordance with prevailing norms, if such a request is made by JWR CFS on behalf of the exporter or shipping agent.

With regard to carting activities on Sundays, the concerned Container Freight Station (CFS) has confirmed that carting facilities are available 24x7. However, the execution of carting operations is subject to mutual understanding and coordination between the Customs Brokers (CBs) and the respective CFSs.

At CWC Distripark (CONEX) CFS, Container stuffing & examination are not undertaken on Sundays. The execution of carting operations is subject to mutual understanding and coordination between the Customs Brokers (CBs) and the respective CFSs. BCBA is advised to contact concerned CFS for making available carting facilities on holidays.

- 10. The members of the meeting were informed that the date and mode of conducting next PTFC meeting shall be informed well in advance. 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 (Export) Section on apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.
- 11. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
- 12. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-II.
- 13. Any amendments to these minutes to be provided within the next five working days.
- 14. Minutes are placed on the JNCH website and also sent through emails to the members.

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

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- 2. प्रधानअपरमहानिदेशक,करदाता सेवा महानिदेशालय,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. सभी अपर/संयुक्त आयुक्त,जेएनसीएच,न्हावा शेवा /All ADCs/JCs JNCH, Nhava Sheva;
- 6. सभी उप/सहा.आयुक्त,जेएनसीएच,न्हावा शेवा /All DCs/ACs JNCH, Nhava Sheva;
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