

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 - रायगढ़, महाराष्ट्र - 400 707 Dist.- Raigad, Maharashtra - 400 707

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दिनांक 30.09.2025 को सम्पन्न 'स्थायी व्यापार सुविधा समिति' (निर्यात) (सामान्य) की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (EXPORT) (GENERAL) SEPT- 2025 HELD ON 30.09.2025

The PTFC meeting held in physical mode on 30.09.2025 was chaired by Shri Yashodhan Arvind Wanage, Pr. Commissioner of Customs (NS-I), and attended by Shri Giridhar G. Pai, Commissioner of Customs (NS – II), 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.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Names (Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	(संगठन/संघ/पदनाम) Organisation/Association
1	Vikas Kanke	FSSAI
2	Suchit Patil	Interasia
3	Ajay Moghe	NSICT & NSIGT
4	Sagar G. Mhatre	NSICT & NSIGT
5	Ganpat P. Korde	BCBA
6	Paresh Thakkar	BCBA
7	Sanjeev Harale	BCBA
8	Paras Shah	BCBA
9	Sanjay Shingote	BCBA
10	Harsh Lapsia	BCBA
11	Vinayak	BCBA
12	Raja Sekhar	UPL
13	Mark S. Fernandes	Sylvester & Co.
14	Jeesendra V. Kadi	CFSAI
15	Juoe Fernandes	CFSAI
16	Salim Shikalgar	CFSAI
17	Divya Shetty	AIWCBA
18	Sameer V. Patil	Hind Terminals
19	Prakash Thakar	CSLA
20	Narendra	Shipping Line
21	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA

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

क्रमसं./	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती)	पदनाम
Sr.No.	Names(Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	Designation
1.	Dr. Chittaranjan P.Wagh	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
2.	S. Venkatesh	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
3.	Arvind B. Ghuge	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
4.	Shubh Agrawal	Joint Commissioner of Customs
5.	Dr. Parul Singhal	Joint Commissioner of Customs
6.	Raj Kumar Mishra	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs
7.	Bharatlal Meena	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs

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

4. CSLA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY CSLA:

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1.:</u> EGM status not reflecting on ICEGATE although SDM is filed successfully

There are cases when SDM have been filed successfully, But EGM status is not reflecting on ICEGATE. Please assist us in arranging resolution of these issues asap.

<u>प्रतिक्रिया/Response:</u> The issue has been taken up with the Directorate General of Systems and Data Management. The Directorate has examined the matter and assured timely resolution. Further, a patch has been applied to address the problem.

BCBA के दवारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्द् संख्या/ AGENDA POINT RAISED BY BCBA:

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1:</u> Request for discontinuation of manual processes by Shipping Lines with regards to obtaining Delivery Order and Extensions

Specifically Wan Hai Line and Interasia Line, along with few NVOCCs are following entirely Manual Process towards issuance of Delivery Orders and Extension Letters. In an era where the entire Customs and Supply Chain Formations are working towards Digital Platforms, eliminating need for human interface - such Lines are causing continuation in physical movement and interaction resulting in potential bottle necks for supply chain efficiency.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: It is submitted that vide CBIC Circular No.24/2015 dated 14.10.2015 had directed all Customs formations to direct Custodians and Shipping Lines to issue E-Delivery Order to improve Ease of doing business. Consequently, Facility Notice 85/2015 dated 30.10.2015 issued by Commissioner of Customs, NS-I and NS-III, to encourage Shipping Lines and Custodians to issue E-Delivery Order to improve Ease of doing business. Further it is submitted letter dated 23.09.2025 have been issued to CSLA encouraging them to issue E-delivery order and Extensions.

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

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1 Release of Containers by Port without M-Scan

Containers are being released by NSFT Port without undergoing the mandatory M-Scan process. For the Containers ear-marked for scanning as per EIR at M-Scanner in the terminals, in past few months there have been 5-6 instances, where drivers missed noticing on the EIR copy about Scanning marking and were allowed to be gated out by Terminals.

Suggestion:

- Terminal Operating Systems should have an in-built check to holds such containers at gate and divert the TTs to move to M-Scanner
- ii. Strict Compliance for M-Scan requirement: To enable easier identification and tracking by drivers and stakeholders, it is recommended to implement either a color-coded EIR system or a conspicuous coloured Rubber stamp indicating "M" or "D" so that drivers are guided accordingly

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: The responsibility for scanning containers selected for inspection is jointly shared by Port Terminals and Container Freight Stations (CFSs). All stakeholders are hereby reminded to strictly comply with the provisions outlined in JNCH Public Notices No. 76/2024, 31/2021, and 15/2013.

To ensure smooth operations and timely scanning, representatives from both CFSs and Port Terminals are advised to collaborate and formulate a coordinated plan. This plan should guarantee that:

- Containers designated for a specific scanner are routed only to that scanner.
- Scanning is completed within a reasonable timeframe.

<u>Strict Compliance for M-Scan requirement</u>: To enable easier identification and tracking by drivers and stakeholders, it is recommended to implement either a color-coded EIR system or a conspicuous coloured Rubber stamp indicating "M" or "D" so that drivers are guided accordingly.

The matter was taken up and communicated with all the port terminals. Some of the port terminal i.e NSFT has informed that they are in the process of enabling the scan remark to be reflected on the outbound survey tab in the system. This will help ensure that drivers are properly informed and can take the container for scanning accordingly.

Further, Port Terminals NSICT & NSIGT have informed that they can issue a different colour paper notification for M Scan containers only. This paper will enable the driver to proceed for M scanning after which the EIR will be issued at gate.

Port terminals are to ensure that those containers that are selected to be scanned at M-Scan should not be allowed to be gated out without scanning.

कार्यबिन्द् संख्या/POINT NO. 2: CCTV Surveillance Across Port Vicinity and Access Routes

It is suggested to the authorities that CCTV surveillance system may be installed covering the entire port entry and exit points, the route toward both D-Scan, and extending up to Karal Phata.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: Entry and Exit points of all port terminals are covered by CCTV.

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 3:</u> Port Pendency- Frequent Stoppage of Trailor's due to barricades in Uran put by Navi Mumbai Traffic Police -

Since the vessel Load/discharge continue uninterrupted whilst the landside movements come to a standstill due Police barricades holding up CFS movements, the terminal evacuation of imports by TTs slows down resulting in very high pendency.

The *Terminals do not follow FIFO* and as such the containers arrived in newer vessels are stacked over the older containers, which get buried in the stack. The PGR accrues normally on the older containers not delivered for more than 3 days and many containers are delivered after 5-6 days. This adds to the Transaction cost and CFSs get blamed for no fault of theirs. It is requested that terminals be advised to follow FIFO strictly. In this regard, we further submit that CFS being essential service provider in the supply chain the EXIM movements should not be stopped.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: The matter was taken up with all the port terminals. Reply from all the port terminals have not yet been received. Port terminals like NSICT & NSIGT have informed that they generally follow FIFO. A letter is to be issued to all the port terminals seeking their response regarding the following of FIFO.

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

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1: ICETAB for Exports

We appreciate the commendable initiative undertaken by JN Customs in implementing the ICETAB system for exports. However, certain technical glitches are being experienced which are causing delays in export clearance. In light of these issues, we would like to propose the following for your kind consideration:

Examination report through icetab to be restricted for open examine order shipments only. Further for your reference please note import shipments facilitated by RMS are been OOC through ICES systems only. As like import we request you RMS facilitated, IP lot /SBILLS examine reports and LEO to be continued at ICES computer systems only.

In case of Open Examination, when there's System Glitch for ICE-TAB., We hereby request Examination with permission of Proper Officer be processed manually and Examine Reports/Leo to be done in Computer systems.

We believe that implementing the above suggestions will streamline export clearances and ensure continuity in operations while technical issues are resolved.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: In this regard, vide letter dated 11.09.2025 suggestion has been made to Board regarding usage of ICETABs in Exports may be restricted to Shipping bills selected for open examination and SBs facilitated through Inspect Lot may be exempted from usage of ICETABs.

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 2:</u> Request for Implementation of Universal E-seal Reader at Ground Level

We would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to JN Customs for issuing Public Notice No. 65/2025 dated 01.09.2025 regarding the implementation of Universal E-seal Readers. This initiative is a commendable step towards enhancing efficiency and streamlining the Customs export clearance process at CPP.

In view of the above, we kindly request that the implementation of the Universal E-seal Readers be expedited at the grassroots level to ensure effective facilitation for the EXIM trade community.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: In this regard, it is informed that the installation has been completed and the process has already commenced. At present, an operational success rate of approximately 85%, has been achieved and the remaining 15% is being actively worked upon in close coordination with ICEGATE. Though, reportedly there are issues related to receipt of data from e-seal vendors but ICEGATE is actively working upon it and soon a success rate of 100% is expected to be achieved.

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 3: Request for review of the Requirement of Manual Endorsement from Superintendent in the Boarding Area for Shipping Bill Verification during the Backto-Town Process

We refer to the point discussed during the JN CCFC meeting held on 30.07.2025 regarding the requirement of manual endorsement from the Superintendent in the Boarding Area for Shipping Bill verification during the Back-to-Town (BTT) process.

As per JNCH Public Notice No. 75/2023, Para 2B, manual endorsement from the Superintendent in the port area is presently mandatory for processing BTT requests for containers already gated inside the terminal.

BCBA, in the aforesaid meeting, requested that the necessity of this manual endorsement be reviewed. It was suggested that the required verification could instead be undertaken by the Preventive Officer posted at the terminal gates at time of container gate out, thereby facilitating the smooth gate-out of containers without the additional manual intervention.

As recorded in the minutes of the CCFC meeting dated 30.07.2025, NS-II Commissionerate has noted that BCBA's suggestion appears to be acceptable and that the matter will be further examined in consultation with Commissioner (NS-General) to arrive at a logical conclusion.

In view of the above, we request your kind consideration and necessary directions for implementing the suggested procedure, which will not only streamline the process but also reduce to timelines involved in the BTT process.

<u>प्रतिक्रिया/Response:</u> The trade request is accepted and Public notice No.75/2023 dated 31.08.2023 will be amended suitably.

<u>कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 4</u>: Implementation of Shipping Container for Export cargo to be considered as Unit of Package

We refer to the DG Systems Advisory No.49/2025 dated 11th August 2025 concerning the

treatment of shipping containers for export cargo as a unit of package. We seek your assistance in implementation of the said advisory in the interest of the EXIM Trade.

प्रतिक्रिया/Response: Though an advisory No. 49/2025 dt. 11.08.2025 has been issued by ICES on the above issue and it has been informed in the advisory that necessary changes have been made in the system to enable this provision, it has come to notice that the system is considering container as a package only in few cases of multiple containers in a Shipping Bill and in most cases of multiple containers in a Shipping Bill the system is still selecting packages for examination instead of container/s. The system is only intermittently selecting container as a package. The matter has been taken up with ICES requesting them to resolve this inconsistency in selection of containers as packages.

- 7. The members of the meeting were informed that, from the next month onwards, PTFC meetings will be held twice a month. In the first fortnight, the PTFC for Export Commissionerate and General Commissionerate will be held, while the PTFC for the Import Commissionerate will be held in the second fortnight.
- 8. Further, it was informed that the PTFC for Export Commissionerate and General Commissionerate will be tentatively held on 16.10.2025 and the PTFC for Import Commissionerates will be tentatively held on 30.10.2025. All the Association members were requested to forward their agenda points, if any, at least 07 working days in advance by email to Appraising Main (Export) Section on apmainexp@jawaharcustoms.gov.in for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC meeting.
- 9. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
- 10. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, NS-II.
- 11. Any amendments to these minutes to be provided within the next five working days.
- 12. Minutes are placed on the JNCH website and also sent through emails to the members.

(Saroj Kumar Sharma) उप आयुक्त,सीमाशुल्क/ Deputy Commissioner of Customs, मूल्य निरूपण मुख्य(निर्यात)/Appraising Main (X), जे.एन.सी.एच..न्हावाशेवा/ JNCH. Nhava Sheva.

सेवामें /To.

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

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- 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;
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