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**(IMPORT)**

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**दिनांक /Date: - 01-04-2025**

**दिनांक 27.03.2025 को सम्पन्न 'स्थायी व्यापार सुविधा समिति' (आयात) की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION**  
**COMMITTEE (IMPORT) MARCH 2025 HELD ON 27.03.2025**

The PTFC meeting held in physical mode on 27.03.2025 was chaired by Shri. D. S. Garbyal, Commissioner of Customs (NS-GENERAL & NS-I), and attended by Shri Sonal Bajaj, Commissioner of Customs (NS-V) and Shri Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Commissioner of Customs (NS-II).

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

क्र. सं./Sr No.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Name (Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	(संगठन/संघ/पदनाम) Organisation/Association
1.	Ravi D. Rao	JNPA
2.	Dr Karuna Dhale	FSSAI
3.	Dr Chethan B R	PQ
4.	Gokul Ram	PQ
5.	Sunil Vaswani	CSLA
6.	Sachin Patil	CSLA/RCL
7.	Manish Kumar	CSLA/MANSA
8.	Umesh Grover	CFSAI
9.	Srinivas S	CFSAI
10.	S R Shah	CFSAI
11.	Venkatram Narayanan	CFSAI
12.	Kamal Shah	BCBA
13.	Harsh Lapsia	BCBA
14.	Vinayak Aparaj	BCBA
15.	Tej Contractor	BCBA
16.	Nirav Thakker	BCBA
17.	Maruti Gadage	BCBA
18.	Ashok Saini	BCBA
19.	Hiren Ruparel	BCBA
20.	Sanjeev Harale	BCBA

21.	Paresh Thakker	BCBA
22.	Nimish Desai	WISA
23.	Paresh Shah	WISA
24.	Dixit H. Gharat	CPP
25.	Shailendra R. P.	MANSA
26.	Ashilesh Bhagat	Goodrich
27.	Vineet Singh	GTI
28.	Sachin Patil	GTI
29.	Avinash Satardekar	BMCT
30.	Ashwajit Patil	NSFT
31.	Sanjay G	NSFT
32.	Sanjeev Gupta	WIBWA
33.	Shridhar Pandav	NSDTPL
34.	Mark S Fernandes	Sylvester India
35.	Captain Alok Mathur	DP World
36.	Rahul Mhatre	DP World
37.	R Qureshi	Phoenix

3. विभाग की ओर से निम्नलिखित अधिकारियों ने बैठक में भाग लिया: -

Following Officers from the department attended the meeting: –

क्रमसं./ Sr.No.	नाम(सर्वश्री/सुश्री/श्रीमती) Names(Shri/Ms./Mrs.)	पदनाम Designation
1.	Prasanna V Pattanashetti	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
2.	Vinay K Kantheti	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
3.	Chittaranjan P Wagh	Addl. Commissioner of Customs
4.	Gurinder Singh	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs
5.	Dharmender Singh	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs

All participants were welcomed by Shri. D. S. Garbyal, Commissioner of Customs. Thereafter, S h r i Dharmender Singh, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, NS-I Commissionerate, JNCH, with the permission of the Chair, presented the Agenda points pertaining to Import.

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

कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1. Relevant document for clearance of Import/export cargo:

The subject matter has been flagged by CFSAI in several PTFC forums that due to non-availability of documents / data on line the CFSs has to rely on hard copies of documents.

For the CFS Members, certain key documents like IGM data, Bill of Entry, Customs Out of Charge, Shipping Bill, Let Export Order message exchange should Transmit from Customs ICEGATE portal to the respective custodians. As on date still the message exchange of the said documents is not being received by the custodian & as such there is a manual intervention requirement to produce the hard copy of the documents by the Custom Brokers

at the time of clearing the cargo.

In line of Ease of doing Business and with the key to Digitalization we request JNCH intervention in streamlining the process of the above said documents through message exchange to the respective custodian on real time basis which will assist the custodian in better movement planning without any further delay.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** The Chair informed that internet based modules for SCMTR is at advance stage of implementation. At the same time, the CIS is also being envisaged for advance digitization of various Customs processing with a view to incorporate all manual processes followed hitherto. Once these modules are fully operational, issues like this are likely to get resolved. As a short term solution, sending the requisite documents to CFS through verified email IDs of CHAs was suggested.

(बिन्दुसमाप्त/ Point Closed)

#### **5. CSLA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY CSLA :**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1. BMCT insisting for separate customs permission in case of SUSPICIOUS scanning report for requirement of 100% examination of container at ICD:**

This point was raised in the special meeting held on scanning issues on 24th Jan 2025, It was informed by scanning department that scanning suspicious remark is updated in the system which is visible to ICD Customs officer as well. There is no need to apply for separate customs permission to scanning department for 100% examination of container at ICD. It is requested to inform BMCT to release import ICD container basis on scanning report issued by scanning department without any need of separate permission for 100% examination of cargo at ICD in case of SUSPICIOUS scanning report.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** Container Scanning Division, NS-III has informed the BMCT vide email dated 25.03.2025 has been advised to release import ICD container on the basis of scanning report issued by the scanning officer without any separate permission from Admin/CSD. However, in special cases, in which examination of the cargo is required by SIIB or any other intelligence agency, CSD will inform the concerned terminal through email. Any issue faced by the trade in implementation of this practice may be intimated to the Commissioner of Customs, NS-III.

(बिन्दुसमाप्त/ Point Closed)

#### **6. BCBA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY BCBA :**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1. Delay in Evacuation of Containers from Terminals to CFS:**

There is a significant delay in the evacuation of containers from terminals to CFS, increasing dwell time for clearance. Due to this delay, examinations cannot be conducted efficiently. We suggest scrapping Part Delivery Permission Public Notice No 184/2016 for RMS Bills of Entry.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** The chair informed that the principle of **First In First Out (FIFO)** is to be followed to evacuate the containers from Port Terminals to CFSs whereas alternative practices of evacuation may be followed only in exigencies. The CFSAI and BCBA were requested to provide facts/suggestions to the Customs for reviewing of the Public Notice No.184/2016, for suitable changes, if any, required in the PN. Meanwhile, Public Notice No. 184/2016 will continue to be followed.

**(Action: CFSAI, BCBA)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 2. Non-Generation of Prints after Provisional to Final Assessments:**

Even after multiple requests for reprints, prints are not being generated. We request that this issue be taken up with DG Systems, New Delhi.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** The Chair stated that instead of waiting for PTFC meeting to raise such issues, these may be brought to the notice of the concerned Commissioner, immediately. The ICES team has been apprised of the issue for resolution.

**(Action: EDI)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 3. Non-Reflection of Custom Notification No. 2/2022:**

Sr. No. 1, Sub Sr. No. 9 is not visible in PDF copies. The Bill of Entry must be recalled for this notification through AO/Supdt, despite being assessed under RMS.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** The BCBA may send a detailed representation on this issue so that it may be taken up with the DG, Systems for resolution. It was reiterated by the Chair that such issues may be flagged to the concerned Commissioner on priority.

**(Action: BCBA, EDI)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 4. Non-Reflection of the List of Developing Countries under Notification No. 125/2011:**

The list is missing from the PDF copies sent via email to importers and customs brokers. We request this issue be taken up with DG Systems.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** The BCBA may send a detailed representation on this issue so that it may be taken up with the DG, Systems for resolution.

**(Action: BCBA, EDI)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 5 Suggestion for Amendment of Public Notice No. 112/2017**  
**- Procedure for First-Time Imports:**

We are writing to propose a procedural amendment to Public Notice No. 112/2017 regarding the handling of first-time imports, specifically concerning the entry of file numbers in departmental columns of Bills of Entry/Shipping Bills.

**Current Procedure:**

As per Public Notice No. 112/2017, the current procedure requires the Assessing Officer in the Assessment Group concerned to enter the file number in the departmental columns of the Bill of Entry/Shipping Bill as applicable. This has been observed to create certain operational inefficiencies in the clearance process.

**Issues with Current Procedure:**

After Faceless Assessment Group (FAG) assessment or in cases of facilitated Bills of Entry, the concerned Group has to recall the Bill of Entry specifically for file number entry.

**This additional procedural step:**

- i) Consumes significant time in the clearance process
- ii) Increases logistics costs for importers and exporters
- iii) Creates an additional administrative burden on Assessment Groups
- iv) Potentially delays cargo clearance, affecting ease of doing business

**Suggested Amendment:**

We would like to propose that the responsibility for entering the file number be transferred to either:

a) The Risk Management System (RMS) Cell: The file number can be auto populated through system integration, or manually entered by the RMS cell at the time of initial processing.

OR

b) Docks Level Officers: The file number can be entered by officers at the docks during physical verification or final clearance.

**Benefits of Proposed Amendment:**

1. Streamlined workflow with reduced processing time
2. Elimination of bill recall by Assessment Groups for facilitated shipments
3. Reduced logistics costs for trade
4. Improved ease of doing business
5. More efficient allocation of Customs officer resources
6. Reduced dwell time for cargo clearance.

This procedural change would align with the government's initiative to enhance trade facilitation and reduce transaction costs while maintaining necessary regulatory oversight.

We would be grateful if this suggestion could be considered for implementation through an amendment to Public Notice No. 112/2017. If required, we would be happy to provide any additional information or clarification regarding this proposal.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** After deliberation on the issue, the Committee decided to write a letter to the DG, Systems to suggest that the assessment of the Bill of Entry for FIRST TIME IMPORTER be invariably marked to Port Assessment Groups (PAG) instead of Faceless Assessment Groups (FAG) in this regard.

**(Action: EDI)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 6 Issue of Hazardous Cargo:**

The hazardous cargo issue has been discussed in the NAC meeting and raised multiple times in PTFC meetings for amending PN 42/2023. Importers/exporters should be present during examinations. We enclose IMDG regulations and recommend that only technical personnel at CFS with appropriate infrastructure be allowed to open and draw samples if required. If not, scanning may be allowed for IMCO Class 5, 8, and 9 cargo to avoid delays.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** This issue was also discussed in the last NAC meeting and the detailed inputs from the stakeholders were sought to resolve the issue. The Committee again requested the stakeholders to provide details on the issue.

**(Action: BCBA)**

**7. WISA के द्वारा उठाया गया कार्यबिन्दु /AGENDA POINTS RAISED BY WISA :**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 1. Facility to file advance PD/Test bonds:**

Now that system has been enabled to accept BE with a request for PD/Test Bond, trade is filing BE with request for provisional assessment primarily for testing. However, since Bond number is not submitted in the BE file, system is by default applying 100% BG. This requires recall and re-assessment resulting into duplication of efforts by both CBs as well as officers. We request you to instruct TSK to accept PD/test bonds even without BE No & date.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** A detailed representation may be submitted to the concerned Commissioner to taking up the matter with the DG, Systems for resolution.

**(Action: WISA, EDI)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 2. Need for a system to ensure ADD & CVD notifications are updated:**

There needs to be an advisory issued by system Directorate or Customs station which will inform the trade about newly issued ADD & CVD notifications are uploaded in the system. Few notifications have not been entered since months after issuance and trade is forced to file BE without applying these duties and then request for re-assessment which takes days

together to complete thereby duplication of work by both – trade as well as officers and loss of time.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** The WISA may send a detailed representation/suggestions on this issue so that it may be taken up with the DG, Systems for resolution.

**(Action: WISA, EDI)**

**कार्यबिन्दु संख्या/POINT NO. 3.**

Further to discussion at the last PTFC meeting regarding CTIs where online generation of TR has been enabled, we request you to kindly publish these CTI which will prepare the trade well in advance to take up suitably for inclusion of new tariff items.

**प्रतिक्रिया/Response:** It was informed that a letter in this regard may be written to the DG, Systems for the sharing of details (DIRECTORY) of **CTIs** that have been incorporated in the ICES for **online generation of TR** and if these details are received then these may be published on the JNCH website.

**(Action: EDI)**

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

(Dharmender Singh)

सहायक आयुक्त, सीमाशुल्क/ Asstt. Commissioner of Customs,  
मूल्य निरूपण मुख्य(आयात)/Appraising Main (I),  
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)

प्रतिलिपि/Copy to :(ईमेल के माध्यम से)

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5. सभी अपर/संयुक्त आयुक्त,जेएनसीएच,न्हावा शेवा /All ADCs/JCs JNCH, Nhava Sheva;
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