

**MINUTES OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (PTFC) MEETING HELD ON**  
**13.06.2017**

A meeting of Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) of Mumbai Customs Zone-I, was held on 13.06.2017 in the Conference Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, New Custom House, Mumbai. The meeting was chaired by the Pr. Commissioner of Customs (General) Shri B. Bhattacharya and co-chaired by Commissioner of Customs (Export) Mrs Prachi Swaroop. The following members from the trade attended the meeting:

SR. No	NAME OF THE MEMBERS	ORGANISATION
1	Sh. Mohan Nihalani	AIIEA
2.	Sh. Hasmukh N Zaveri	AIMO
3	Mrs Ganguly	AIWCBA
4	Sh. Manik Nasta	AILBIEA
5	Sh. Neelesh Datir	AILBIEA
6	Sh K.B. Bhandari	BCHAA
7	Sh. Dushyant Mulani	BCHAA
8	Sh. N.W. Gawande	Mbpt
9	Ms. Roshan	AIWCBA
10	Ms. Chetna	AIWCBA

2. The following officers attended the meeting on behalf of the Department & NIC.

SR.NO.	NAME OF THE OFFICER	DESIGNATION
1	Mrs Prachi Swaroop	Commissioner of Customs(Export)
2	Mrs. Kiran Verma	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
3	Sh. Neelkanth Shelke	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import-II)
4	Sh. Manigandasamy	Dy. Commissioner of Customs (EDI - Systems)
5	Sh. N. Balram	Dy. Commissioner of Customs (Drawback)
6	Sh. S. Veeramuthu	Dy. Commissioner of Customs (DBK/CFS Mulund)
7	Ms Pallavi Gupta	Dy. Commissioner of Customs (Appg General)
8	Sh Kapoor	Superintendent ( CBS)
9	Sh. Niraj Kumar Pandey	Appraising Officer (Export Assessment)
10	Sh. Sudhir P. V.	Scientist D, NIC

3. Pr. Commissioner of Customs (General) Shri B. Bhattacharya welcomed all the members of Trade present in the meeting and trade members reciprocated the same.

4. **Issuance of Customs Passes.**

As regard to the point No. 04 of the minutes of the last PTFC meeting regarding delay in issuance of pending Customs Passes. It was informed that outstanding bills have been disbursed to the vendor, Around 2500 passes have already been printed and are being issued. Point is closed.

**Action-** Point Closed.

5. **Software for communicating deficiency memos and alert notices of Drawback cases.**

As regard to the point No 05 of the minutes of last PTFC regarding implementation of software for communicating deficiency memos and alert notices of Drawback cases at NCH and ICD/Mulund, it was informed that 141 exporters have registered for availing the facility, some technical issues were noticed while sending the messages. Software vendor were contacted and they are working on it.

**Action –DC/ (ICD-Mulund)**

6. **Ease of doing business in MbPT.**

As regards to the point No 06 of the minutes of last PTFC it was informed that temporary facilities for next four months after shifting of operations from STP will be made available at M.O.D. Permanent facility will be set up by October at Wadala Incinerator Plot. It was also requested to provide Basic amenities for the Trade like water coolers, washrooms, benches etc.

**Action – MbPT**

7. **Message exchange between MbPT and Customs.**

As regard to the point No 07 of the minutes of last PTFC, Mbpt informed that issue is being taken up by ministry of shipping along with customs at a very higher level. Currently only one LAN connection of MTNL is available and DC/EDI has requested D.G/ Systems to provide for an alternate TATA connection which will be provided in 15 days.

**Action – MbPT**

8. **Sale of imported goods on High Seas:-**

As regard to point no.8 of last PTFC BCHAA vide letter F.No BCHAA/KB/314/2017 dated 01.06.2017 has requested for further changes in PN No 49/2017 dated 21.04.17 in line with JNCH PN 58/2017 dated 06.05.2017. Principal Commissioner(G) after detailed discussion with trade directed to issue PN on similar grounds.

**Action-AC/DC(Import Noting)**

**Apart from above some other issues were discussed at request of trade representatives:-**

9. AIWCBA raised an issue regarding difficulty in segregating package numbers selected by R.M.S system for examination in case of Iron/Steel pipes. It was informed that in case of steel coils some relaxation has been given and goods are being examined on basis of random selection instead of examining package numbers selected by R.M.S. It was requested by trade to extend similar relaxation in case of Iron/Steel pipes.

**Action-JC/export**

10. BCHAA raised an issue regarding downtime in E.D.I system . DC/ EDI informed that currently only one LAN connection of MTNL is available and D.G/ Systems has been requested to provide for an alternate TATA connection which will be provided in 15 days. Principal Commissioner (G) after detailed discussion with trade directed BCHAA to submit a detailed letter in issue related to the matter.

**Action-BCHAA**

11. BCHAA raised an issue regarding payment of minor amendment charges beyond working hours. Principal Commissioner after detailed discussion with the trade directed to issue a Public Notice similar to PN 72/2017 of JNCH in this regard.

**Action-DC/docks & DC/ AG**

Mbpt official informed about a request made by vehicle exporters like Maruti, Volkswagen . It was informed that while loading vehicles to vessel minor dents/damages happen in some vehicles which can be repaired at docks itself and vehicle can be exported. Currently these damaged vehicles are treated as shut-out cargo and exporter moves it out for repair . Principal Commissioner (G) informed that in principle Customs doesn't have any objection to the repair work being carried out inside docks premises if Mbpt provides separate place for the purpose. However if there is any difficulty mbpt/exporter can inform customs and the same will be looked into.

**Action-Mbpt**

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

The next PTFC meeting is scheduled to be held on 11.07.2017 at 11.30 AM.

Sd/-

(Kiran Verma)

Addl. Commissioner of Customs

Import I

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1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Zone-I, NCH, Mumbai
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5. The Commissioner of Customs (Export – I & II), NCH, Mumbai
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10. The Dy. Commissioner of Customs (EDI), NCH, for uploading in Official Website
11. The Asstt. Commissioner of Customs (Contract Cell)
12. The Asstt. Commissioner (Appr. Gen)
13. The Asstt. Commissioner (CBS), NCH, Mumbai
14. The Dy./Asstt. Commissioner (AEO-Coordination)
15. The Asstt. Commissioner (Gr. 7H), NCH Mumbai
16. All the members of trade through E-mail
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