

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT-I),
NEW CUSTOM HOUSE, BALLARD ESTATE, MUMBAI 400 001

MINUTES OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (PTFC) MEETING HELD ON
09.10.2018

A Meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) of Mumbai Customs Zone-I, was held on 09.10.2018 in the Conference Hall, 2nd floor, New Custom House, Mumbai. The meeting was chaired by Shri Ramesh Chander, Commissioner of Customs(Export). The following Stakeholders attended the meeting:

SR. No	NAME OF THE MEMBERS	ORGANISATION
1	Sh. Dushyant Mulani	BCBA
2	Smt. Roshan Irani	SLLY Shipping
3	Sh. Vinay Yadav	MbPT
4	Sh. Praful Kamble	MbPT
5	Mrs. Ganguly	Leena Forwarders
6	Smt. Kiran Rambhia	BLBA
7	Sh. K Bhandari	BCBA
8	Sh. Tej Contractor	BCBA
9	Sh. Harsh Lapsia	AILBIEA
10	Capt. Subhedar	ICCSA
11	Pramod A. Singh	Mbpt

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

SR.NO.	NAME OF THE OFFICER	DESIGNATION
1	Ms. Money Jain	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
2	Ms. Sumity Garg	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs (Import-II)
3	Mr. V. Lobo	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
4	Sh. Devendra R Verma	Superintendent (PSO)
5	Sh. Hemant Kumar	PO/PSO(A)
6	Sh. Sudhir	NIC

3. Commissioner of Customs (Export) welcomed all the members of the Trade and officers present in the meeting and requested them to be active partners with Mumbai Customs in improving the ease of doing business.

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

As regards point No 04 of the minutes of last PTFC, It was informed by MbPT official that the mobile network connectivity at M.O.D. is being pursued with the concerned section/division. Issue related to lighting work is under process. The chair was appraised by MOD Officer that there is only 1 toilet for officers and trade members and there is no cleanliness in the premises. It was also informed that drinking water facility is not available at MOD.

It was clarified by the members of trade and Customs that not much progress has been seen in any of the areas such as network connectivity, water logging, inadequate lighting

etc. despite several reminders to the officials of MbPT. The chair told the trade members to have a joint visit with one member from MbPT and Docks Officer respectively and have photographs duly signed by them and submit the report in the next meeting. It was also informed that MOD Officers and trade representatives have been requesting MbPT officials to open Gate No. 4 for exit of vehicles. The chair was apprised by the MbPT Official that there is no need to open the Gate No. 4 as there is very low traffic at MOD Gate No. 1. The chair advised MbPT officials to examine and redressal their genuine issues and to expedite redressal of remaining issues in a time bound manner as these simple issues which cause hurdles and inconvenience, the trade deserve immediate attention of MbPT.

Action- MbPT.

5. Issues raised by ICC shipping association w.r.t Indian domestic shipping .

As regards point No 05 of the minutes of last PTFC, the Officer of Preventive (General) was directed to examine the issue related to Customs and submit the reply whether procedures and checkpoints pertaining to customs can be simplified further without jeopardizing the security and revenue concerns.

Office of Preventive (General) vide letter F.No. S/43-243/18-19/P(M)/PSO dated 28.09.2018 has informed w.r.t. utilisation of ferry wharf for coastal vessels that vide Public Notice NO. 40 dated 15.03.1999, it is mentioned that Shed 'F' in the Princess Docks was nominated as a place for loading and unloading of the coastal cargo by the Mumbai Port Trust with regard to the carting and delivery of the coastal goods and the same was notified as a designated place under Section 7 of the Customs Act, 1962. Also, in the said notice, it is mentioned that Mumbai Port Trust had assigned Yellow Gate Princess Docks as a gate exclusively for carting and delivery of the coastal goods. In this regard, a reference to the Mumbai Port Trust should be made for carrying out coastal operation from the ferry wharf area only.

Further, Office of Preventive (General) informed w.r.t. Shipping bill for supply of ship stores, spares, provisions etc. that presently, movement of goods for foreign run and coastal run vessels is through the same point. Unless a separate berth for coastal vessels is provided, the said material need to be taken on shipping bill only. The subject material will go through all the check and procedures on par with the goods being supplied for foreign vessels. Further, at the time of supply to the vessel, the division officer has to verify that the material is being supplied to coastal vessel only and in case, the master of the vessel does not allow delivery of some of these materials, the same needs to be endorsed by the concerned division officer.

In this regard, it is proposed that instead of submitting each Shipping Bill one by one with respect to a vessel, all such Shipping Bills can be submitted at once at the time of EGM submission. Further, Shipping Bill for coastal vessel can be filed online and the same can be

processed by the concerned divisions but all the rules and checks need to be in place. In this respect, the matter may be taken up with the DG System separately.

The chair informed the member of ICC Shipping Association that issues related to Customs have been taken into consideration and word be taken up with the Board and DG Systems at appropriate levels.

Action:- P(G) Customs

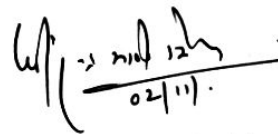
6. Issues raised by BCBA w.r.t. problems faced at the time of uploading documents on e-Sanchit.

BCBA had requested the Customs Authorities to issue Public Notice to all the Importers to provide the documents online to Customs Brokers in terms of size and format prescribed in CBEC Circular No. 40/2017 dated 13.10.2017 as filing of Bill of Entry through e-Sanchit is taking at least additional 7-10 minutes per documents to upload and frequent errors code are being received under e-Sanchit. The chair told that Public Notice in respect of e-Sanchit has already been issued. FAQ regarding e-Sanchit is also available on the website of ICEGATE. The chair was apprised by the member of the BCBA that documents for re-export cannot be uploaded through e-Sanchit. A letter has been received from Asstt. Commissioner, EDI Section in this regard and they informed that an e-mail has been sent to Saksham Seva to rectify the problem. The chair informed the members of the trade to provide technical inputs regarding time taken while uploading through e-Sanchit so that the same can be incorporated in communication with System Directorate for effective redressal of the issue.

Action- EDI Section.

The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

The next PTFC meeting is scheduled to be held on 13.11.2018 at 11.30 AM.



(Dhirendra Mani Tripathi)
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Import I, NCH, Zone-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), NCH, Mumbai

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- 8. The Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Export), NCH, Mumbai
- 9. The Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import-II), NCH, Mumbai
- 10. The Dy. Commissioner of Customs (EDI), NCH, for uploading in Official Website
- 11. All the members of trade through E-mail
- 12. For translation (Appraising Mains)