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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY REVIEW MEETING HELD ON
29.03.2023 BY THE CO-CONVENERS OF NATIONAL ASSESSMENT
CENTER - FAG-6 WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE NAC - FAG-6

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The monthly review meeting of NAC (FAG-6) was held via online mode at 3.30 PM on 29.03.2023 under the chairmanship of Shri Pramod Kumar Agrawal, Principal Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-I and Smt. Jane K. Nathaniel, Chief Commissioner of Customs, Thiruvananthapuram Zone, as Co-conveners of NAC (FAG-6) with the Nodal Pr. Commissioner/ Commissioner of NAC-FAG-6.

2. The following members of NAC (FAG-6) attended the meeting:

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1	Shri Ataur Rahman, Principal Commissioner (Airport & ACC)Kolkata	ataur.rahman71@gov.in prcommr -apkolcus@gov.in
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3. Shri P. K. Agrawal, Pr. Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone - I welcomed the members of NAC (FAG-6) present in the web meeting.

4. Shri P. K. Agrawal, Co-convenor, first discussed the data regarding Queries and assessment time taken for the month of Feb 2023 & March 2023 (up to 24/03/2023) by all the FAGs under NAC-FAG-6, as under-

4.1 As per the data presented on First Query, the average queries for the month of February 2023 was 16.3% and maximum had been from Mumbai Air Cargo. The average percentage of First Query dropped to 14.7% from 16% for NAC. Shri P. K. Agrawal, Co-convenor appreciated the efforts of Mumbai Air Cargo for substantial reduction of First Query, from 30.7% in Feb 2023 to 20.07% in March 2023. He expressed concern on the First Query at Mundra from 10.3% in February 2023 to 24.8% in March 2023. Shri. T. V. Ravi, Commissioner, Mundra stated that there has been a change in Assessment Officers and new officers have joined Assessment Groups. He further stated that he would monitor their performance closely so as to reduce First Query and assure better performance in future.

4.2 With regards to Second Query, Shri P. K. Agrawal, Co-convenor, observed that the number of second queries by the entire NAC has not seen any substantial increase from Feb to March 2023, but asked all FAGs to keep a close watch to ensure that the number of second Queries does not increase above 1 to 2 %.. He once again appreciated Air Cargo Mumbai for having reduced the percentage of Query 2 from 3.7% in the month of February 2023 to 1.6% in March 2023. He expressed concern over the increase of Query 2 in Chennai from 1.5% in February 2023 to 3.8% in March 2023, which is almost double and in Delhi Air Cargo from 1.2% in February 2023 to 2% in March 2023. He directed Chennai and Delhi Air Cargo to initiate steps to improve their performance.

4.3 As regards to the Third Query, Shri P. K. Agrawal, Pr. Chief Commissioner of Customs appreciated that there were only 3 Third Queries raised in March 2023 and the performance in March 2023 is the same as in

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February 2023. He further directed that as desired by Chairman all efforts should be made to make the number of third Queries as Nil.

4.4 As regards assessment time for Bills of Entry under 8 hrs, the Chairman observed that the percentage of assessed Bills of Entry under 8 hrs has drastically increased from 57.8% in the month of February 2023 to 67.7% in the month of March 2023, which is a 10% increase. He observed that Kolkata Port has increased the percentage of Bills of Entry assessed under 8 hrs from 55% to 73.8% and commended their performance. He directed that the target for NAC (FAG-6) Members for assessment of Bills of Entry under 8 hrs should be 75%.

4.5 The Chair has observed that the percentage of Bills of Entry assessed between 8 to 24 hours has reduced from 12.5% in February 2023 to 9.5% in March 2023. It was noted that assessment has reduced at Delhi Air Cargo from 11.2% in February 2023 to 7.1% in March 2023 and at Chennai from 12.5% to 9.5%. Further, a drastic decrease in the assessment was also seen at Mundra (INMUN1) from 22% in February 2023 to 12.6% in March 2023. The Chairman directed that all the Members of NAC (FAG-6) should try to ensure that maximum number of Bills of Entries are assessed at their respective ports within 8 hours.

4.6 So far as the assessment of Bills of Entry in more than 72 hrs was concerned, it was seen that the overall performance of NAC (FAG-6) is satisfactory, being 11% in the month of March 2023 as compared to 14.8% in February 2023. However, Chairman noted that the percentage of Bills of Entry assessed in more than 72 hours has increased in Mundra from 7.9% in February 2023 to 12% in March 2023; in TKD Delhi from 8.9% in February 2023 to 14.1% in March 2023 and in Chennai from 11.2% in February 2023 to 14.6% in March 2023, which is not desirable. The aim is to assess more Bills of Entry within 24 hours. He directed that wherever the percentage of Bills of Entry assessed in more than 72 hours is more than the national average, stringent efforts are to be made for substantial reduction of the same accordingly. He also made as specific mention that Chairman has emphasized that first decision should be taken by Officers within 3 hours, the prime target being that the Dwell time should be reduced.

5. The agenda points from last meeting held on 28.02.2023 were taken up next for discussion. The Chairman informed that the issue raised by the Sectoral Association ELCOMA, regarding classification of MCPCB has been resolved and the same has been intimated to Board. Regarding the issue of

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BIS requirement for parts of Toys as well as Toys, the Board has issued a clarification and TKD, Delhi has also issued a Public Notice, which has been circulated to all Members.

6. The Chairman expressed his displeasure on not sharing good practices on assessment(classification/valuation etc) by FAGs that all Members are to share good practices in respect of classification, valuation etc so that the same can be circulated among all Members and uniform good practices can be followed all over India.

7. Only one Agenda Point was received from Members of FAG TKD, Delhi on classification issue of product declared as Toy/ Foil Balloon(Party article). The Chairman intimated the NAC (FAG-6) Members that this issue was discussed and examined in detail and decided way back in the NAC (FAG-6) monthly meeting dated 09.05.2022. It was unanimously agreed by all the Members of NAC (FAG-6) that such goods should be correctly classified under CTH 9503 as "Toy Balloon and that a uniform practice of classification of such goods should be followed by all the Members of NAG-6. He asked all FAG members present in the meeting as to whether practice is being followed or not. All members present confirmed. Commr TKD stated that he will recheck the issue. The Chairman asked ADC PCCCO Mumbai to forward copy of Minutes and correspondence with Board on the above issue.

8. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

This issues with the approval of the Co-conveners of NAC FAG-6.

RAVINDRA KUMAR SINGH
ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER

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