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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS  
(IMPORT-I)

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**MINUTES OF THE PTFC MEETING HELD ON 23.07.2025**

A Meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) of Mumbai Customs Zone-I, for the month of June and July, 2025, was held on 23.07.2025 at 03:30 P.M. in the Conference Hall, 2nd floor, New Custom House, Mumbai. The meeting was chaired by Shri Rajan Chaudhary, Commissioner of Customs (General). The following partners from Trade attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name of the Members	Organization
1.	Mark S Fernandes	Sylvester & Co.
2.	Manohar Patyane	BCBA
3.	Sanjeev Harale	President, BCBA
4.	Mrs. Leena Ganguly	Founder, AIWCBA
5.	Jayant Lapsia	President, AILBIEA
6.	Paresh Thakkar	Sr. Vice President, BCBA
7.	Samir Sanghavi	Director, C. N. Sanghavi & Co.
8.	C. K. Raut	Dy. Traffic Manager, MbPA

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

Sr. No.	Name of the Officer (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	Designation
1.	Shri Pradyumn K. Tripathi	Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
2.	Shri Amrendra Kumar	Commissioner of Customs (Import-II)
3.	Shri Aslam Hassan	Commissioner of Customs (Export)
4.	Shri Tagade Nitin	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (General)
5.	Shri Amit Sharma	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (General)
6.	Dr Subhash Yadav	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import-II)
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	Smt. Jyoti Agrawal	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import-II)
8.	Shri Krishna K Prasad	Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Export)
9.	Shri Rahul Joldapke	Joint Commissioner of Customs (Export)
10.	Shri Arshdeep Singh	Joint Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
11.	Shri S.K.Reddy	Dy. Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
12.	Shri Hari Singh D Mina	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs (General)

3. At the outset, the chairman extended his greetings and welcomed the team of BCBA and other stakeholders.

4. With the permission of Chair, Shri S. K. R. Reddy, Deputy Commissioner of Customs (Import-I) informed that no new agenda points had been received for the day's meeting. However, a few pending points from previous PTFC meeting were to be discussed.

5. Shri S. K. R. Reddy discussed about the pending point from the previous PTFC meeting held on 25.06.2025 wherein an issue was raised by BCBA regarding delays in processing refunds due to the non-availability of old security deposit documents in the cash section. The chair was informed that BCBA has not shared the list of Customs Brokers who are facing this issue. In response, Shri Sanjeev Harale, Chairman, BCBA, informed that the list is under preparation and will be submitted upon completion.

6. In line with the Chair's previous suggestion to promote inclusivity by encouraging the participation of women in PTFC meetings, Smt. Leena Ganguly, representing the All India Women Custom Brokers Association (AIWCBA), attended the current session and appreciated the initiative for the inclusion of AIWCBA and thanked the chair.

7. Shri S.K.R. Reddy updated the committee regarding the previous point on the introduction of ICETAB for export examination. It was informed that Public Notice No. 15/2025-26 dated 01.07.2025 has been issued in this regard. Shri Sanjeev Harale noted some technical challenges, specifically related to the opening of e-Sanchit attachments on the ICETAB devices due to connectivity issue. Dr. Subhash Yadav, Additional Commissioner of Customs (Import-II), clarified that now documents submitted in e-Sanchit are available in ICETAB. Sanjeev Harale agreed to re-examine the matter and update accordingly. Meanwhile, the Chair instructed Shri Nitin Tagade, Additional Commissioner (General), to visit the docks and assess the issue.



8. A proposal for conducting a joint PTFC meeting involving all three Mumbai Customs Zones was floated in previous meeting. In this regard, Shri S.K.R. Reddy informed that communication has been sent to Mumbai Customs Zone II & III, and a response is awaited.

9. As there were no previous pending points for discussion, Shri S. K. R. Reddy invited members to share any new agenda points for discussion. Shri Sanjeev Harale brought up an issue related to the rejection of e-Bond submissions due to discrepancies between Aadhaar and PAN details. Shri Praduymn Tripathi, Commissioner of Customs (Import-I), advised that if such discrepancies are system-related (ICES), then it will be looked into by competent authority. However, in cases where the Aadhaar is not linked with a valid mobile number, he advised the trade to ensure Aadhaar linkage to avoid difficulties in submitting e-Bond. The Chair further encouraged the trade to continue utilizing the e-Bond facility.

10. A concern was raised by Shri Sanjeev Harale regarding the absence of uniform practice across all Mumbai Customs Zones in allotting protest registration numbers in online refund applications. In this regard, Dr. Subhash Yadav, Additional Commissioner of Customs (Import-II) said that it is an optional column to provide the protest registration number. He further, clarified that no refund claim will be rejected due to non-mentioning of protest registration number.

11. BCBA appreciated the Mumbai Customs initiative of issuance of QR code based customs passes.


12. Shri Sanjeev Harale raised the point regarding infrastructure development wherein he inquired whether the east-west corridor connecting Sewri-Worli being built by MMRDA will be connected to Atal Setu to enhance logistics movement.

In response, Shri C.K. Raut from MbPA informed that discussions have taken place with MMRDA and certain plans are under consideration, final approval is pending. He assured that updates will be shared once plans are finalized. Additionally, he informed that the development of the Offshore Container Terminal (OCT) remains a high-priority project.

13. Shri Praduymn Tripathi, Commissioner of Customs (Import-I) requested the BCBA and other stakeholders to furnish their suggestions, inputs or any constructive proposals aimed at reducing the dwell time. He further emphasized the importance of discussing concrete issues during PTFC and CCFC meetings to enable effective and timely resolution.

As there were no further points for discussion, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to chair.

I). This issues with the approval of Commissioner of Customs (Import-

  
(Vikram D. Phadke)  
Joint Commissioner of Customs  
Appraising (General), Import -I  
NCH, Zone-I.

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