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Dated: 28-04-2016

**MINUTES OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21.04.2016**

The meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee was held on 21.04.2016 at 4.00P.M. in the Conference Hall of the New Custom House, Air Cargo Complex, Chennai. The meeting was chaired by Shri. K. Raghu N. Chary, Principal Commissioner of Customs, Chennai VII Commissionerate (Air Cargo). The following officers of Customs and representatives of various organizations as mentioned below attended the meeting:

S/Shri/ Smt

S.P. Singh	Joint Commissioner of Customs
N.Sankaranarayanan	Deputy Commissioner of Customs
Piyush Katiyar	Deputy Commissioner of Customs
S. Varalakshmi	Deputy Commissioner of Customs
P.G. Prabakaran	Assistant Commissioner of Customs
R.K. Kundu	Assistant Commissioner of Customs
K.Thangamani	Assistant Commissioner of Customs
T. Nedoumaran	Assistant Commissioner of Customs
P. Jayakumar	Assistant Commissioner of Customs
Siraj Abdul Haq	Chairman, Air Cargo Agents Association of India
M.K. Karunanithi	Convenor, Break Bulk Council, ACAAI
S.Prakash	Co Chairman, Chennai Custom House Agents' Assn
C.V. Karunakaran	EC Member, Chennai Custom House Agents' Assn
S.N Ashok	Chairman, BAR India Cargo, Chennai

A.C Raj	Reserve Bank of India, Chennai
Dr R.Sampath Kumar	Deputy DGFT. Joint Director of Foreign Trade
Pankaj Gadhia	Madras Chamber of Commerce
U.UdayaBhaskar Reddy	Madras Chamber of Commerce
T.N. Dilip Kumar	DHL Logistics Pvt. Ltd
Arun Ranjith	Operation Manager, DHL Express India Pvt. Ltd.
R. Narasimhan	Manager, FHU, Air India
V.G. Krishnan,	Assistant Manager, Air India
Surya	Regional Director, GEM & Jewellery Export Promotion Council
V.M. Bharathi	Assistant Drugs Controller, CDSCO

The Chairman welcomed all the members present in the meeting. A Special welcome was given to the representatives from Reserve Bank, Madras Chamber of Commerce and JDGFT.

Review of the previous Minutes held on 18.03.2016 and action taken thereon.

1. Paperless Office (Reducing / Eliminating hardcopies / printouts in customs clearance) / Issue of e-delivery orders

Public Notice 14/2016 –Air was issued on 21.04.2016 regarding Introduction of Electronic Messaging System for issuance of Delivery Order (Online DO).

.....Point closed

2. Transshipment of import cargo not being permitted at Chennai Airport, although there is a PN giving the guidelines for transshipment of cargo at Chennai. The cargo is detained unnecessary procedures and consequent delays incurring demurrage.

In view of the revised procedure ACAAI agreed to close the point.

.....Point closed

3. Delay in integration of SEZ BOEs from NSDL to ice- gate, due to which SEZ BOEs are not reflecting in Asst. Commissioner's system on time and 30% clearances are happening on 2nd day of arrival. As facility circular was issued already for 24 x 7 SEZ clearances, we need your support to streamline the process

M/s. DHL has been requested to provide the list of those cases which would be forwarded to Development Commissioner for their analysis and confirmation of the time delay.

Action: AC (Transshipment)

FRESH POINTS:

POINT SPONSORED BY AIR CARGO AGENTS ASSOCIATION (ACAAI)

1. Amendments to Bills of Entry are permitted only against payment of a fine. This is not correct and needs to be done away with, unless in cases where fraudulent intent can be established.

In case of IGM Amendments detailed procedure is prescribed in the Board Circular 13/2005 dated 13.03.2005 and 44/2005 dated 24.11.2005. The above procedure to be followed strictly.

In case of Amendment of Bs/E – No penalty is required to be imposed normally in any amendment which is a consequence of a IGM amendment.

Similarly any amendment not having revenue implication need not be adjudicated, except where change in importer name is requested. However in case of repeat offences Groups may consider invoking Section 117 of the Customs Act, 1962.

Hence trade is advised to be vigilant; error free submissions would ensure better utilization of Government resources as well.

.....Point closed

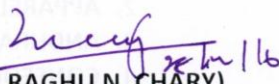
THE FOLLOWING STAKEHOLDERS WERE ALSO INVITED FOR THE MEETING; HOWEVER NO REPRESENTATIVE APPEARED ON THEIR BEHALF.

1. AIRPORT AUTHORITY OF INDIA
2. APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHENNAI
3. ANDHRA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHENNAI
4. CONFEDERATION OF INDIAN INDUSTRY, CHENNAI
5. CHEMICAL & ALLIED PRODUCTS EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHENNAI
6. CENTRAL WAREHOUSING CORPORATION, CHENNAI
7. COTTON TEXTILE EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHENNAI
8. ENGINEERING EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHENNAI

9. EOUS & SEZS EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHENNAI
10. FEDERATION OF INDIAN EXPORT ORGANISATION, CHENNAI
11. FEDERATION OF INDIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY, CHENNAI
12. FSSAI, CHENNAI
13. HANDICRAFTS EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHENNAI
14. HANDLOOM EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
15. HINDUSTAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHENNAI
16. INDEV LOGISTICS, CHENNAI
17. INDIAN BANK, CHENNAI
18. JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER / SPECIFIED OFFICER, MEPZ, CHENNAI
19. MARINE PRODUCTS EXPORTS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
20. NATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHENNAI
21. STATE BANK OF INDIA, MEENAMBakkAM BRANCH, CHENNAI
22. SINDHI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHENNAI
23. SOUTH INDIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
24. TAMIL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHENNAI
25. WILDLIFE CRIME CONTROL BUREAU, CHENNAI

The chair thanked all the members for their active co-operation.

The next PTFC Meeting will be held on 26 .05.2016 at 4.00 PM in the Conference Hall, 3rd floor, New Custom House, Meenambakkam, Chennai – 600 016. The PTFC members / trade representatives are requested to forward their agenda points, if any, well in advance and latest 20-05-2016 by so that fruitful feedback is obtained from all dealing sections and can be resolved early. It is further stated that the point received after 20-05-2016 will not be entertained and discussed in the proposed Meeting. The agenda points may be forwarded on Fax No. **044-22561477** or by e-mail to Appraising Main Section on **appgair@gmail.com** for taking up the issue in the upcoming PTFC Meeting.


(K. RAGHU N. CHARY)

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