

सीमाशुल्क (निवारक) केआयुक्तकाकार्यालय OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (PREVENTIVE) COMMISSIONERATE 55-17-3 , सी -14 , 2 तल , औद्योगिकएस्टेट, ऑटोनगर , विजयवाड़ा – 520 007 फोन: 0866-2551261 फैक्स: 0866-2551156 55-17-3, C-14, 2nd Floor, Industrial Estate, Autonagar, Vijayawada – 520007.

Minutes of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) and Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee (CCFC) Meeting held on 29.04.2024 at 03:30 PM with all the Stake holders of Customs Commissionerate (Preventive) Vijayawada under the Chairmanship of Sri. CH. Venkaiah Chowdary, I.R.S, Commissioner of Customs, Customs Commissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada.

Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) and Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee (CCFC) Meeting with the stake holders of was held at 03.30 PM on 29.04.2024 at Conference Hall, 2nd Floor, Stalin Corporate,Headquarters, CC(P) Vijayawada. The meeting was chaired by Shri CH.Venkaiah Chowdary, I.R.S., Commissioner of Customs, CustomsCommissionerate (Preventive), Vijayawada.

The following officers and representatives of various stake holders attended the meeting.

- i. Smt Sowmya Nuthalapti, Additional Commissioner of Customs, Hqrs.
- ii. Shri Dyamappa Airani, Joint Commissioner, KKDCH
- iii. Shri S.S. Sundaram, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Hqrs.
- iv. Shri C. Vijay Bhaskar, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, KPCH.
- v. Shri Kishore Kumar, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, KPCH

vi. Shri Mittapalli Srinivas, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, KKDCH

vii. Smt. Satyadevi, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD Marripalem

viii. Shri M. Bhanuprakash, Manager, Ms. KPCL.

- ix. Shri Dipak Bhatt, Ms. Bothra Shipping
- x. Shri Ahmed Shaik, Ms. Technosteer
- xi. Shri M Satyanarayana, President of Kakinada Customs Brokers Association
- xii. Representative from Ms. Synergy Shipping
- xiii. Shri Venkat, Ms. LEAAP International
- xiv. Shri Nagaraju, Ms. Abhinav Shipping
- xv. Representaive from Ms. Priya Export Agencies
- xvi. Shri Balaji, Ms. DBC
- xvii. Other Stakeholders

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the PTFC/CCFC members and the departmental officerspresent in the meeting and was open for discussion. The following points were raised by the Stakeholders.

1. Conduct of G Card Examination :

The representative of Ms. Bothra Shipping, Shri Dipak Bhatt has raised a query about the conduct of G card Examination. However, the Commissioner has confirmed that the process has already begun and a Public Notice inviting applications shall be issued shortly. While the representative thanked for the same, he also requested the Commissioner to follow a schedule for conducting the exam every year.

The Commissioner assured that the exam shall be conducted regularly as per a schedule.

Action: HQRS to issue a Publice Notice for conduct of G Card Examination, 2024

2. Customs Broker Licence validity for lifetime – Updation in EDI System :

The representative of Ms. Bothra Shipping, Shri Dipak Bhatt has shown his concern about the lifetime validity of the Customs Broker Licences not being updated in the EDI System. Even though the CBs have been granted Lifetime Validity, the same are not being updated in the EDI System parallelly. He has requested the Commissioner that the EDI system may be updated as per the licence granted and not put an end date to the licence validity in the EDI, which is also shared in the ICES Advisory 03/2022 dt. 05.03.2022.

Since the EDI system updates of the entire Vizag zone is done at Visakhapatnam Custom House, the Commissioner has assured that he shall co-ordinate with the Vizag Customs Commissioner and make sure that all the CBs granted lifetime shall be updated in EDI System.

Action: TFC, Hqrs to list out all the active CBs in CBLMS who have lifetime validity and ensure that these are updated in EDI System.

3. Empanelment of Chartered Engineer for valuation of Second Hand Machinery – Schedule of Examination:

The representative of Ms. Technosteer, Shri Ahmed Shaik has requested to conduct exam for empanelment of Chartered Engineers for valuation of second-hand machinery as there is no such Chartered Engineer in Kakinada Port. However, the ADC, Hqrs., has stated that since there are no imports of second-hand machinery in Kakinada Port, empanelling Chartered Engineers would be unnecessary.

However, on request of the representative, the Commssioner has promised to look into the matter and decide whether or not an exam is needed.

Action: Tech-1, HQRS to examine the feasibility to conduct examination.

4. Exports Shipments in Final Shipping Bills - Master Data showing incorrect details:

The President of Kakinada Customs Broker Association, Shri M Satyanarayana informed that while filing a shipping bill for break back rice exports, the "Number of packages" column is accepting only 5 digits for entry. If more than 5 digits are entered, the same is not being reflected in Master Data and also some other columns like Vessel Name are going missing. The Commissioner has assured that he shall contact DG Systems and get the issue resolved.

Action: Hqrs to inform DG Systems about the issue being faced.

5. Provisional Assessment – Option to be made available to the importer:

The President of Kakinada Customs Broker Association, Shri M Satyanarayana has expressed his concern over the importer not having the facility to choose for Provisional Assessment of his goods online in ICEGATE. He expressed concern over the tedious process of contacting the FAG group over the missing documents. He opined that if the option is provided to the importer, it shall avoid the cumbersome process.

The Commissioner has informed that the issue shall be discussed with DG Systems

Action: Hqrs to inform DG, Systems about the provision of option of opting provisional Assessment by the importer in EDI while filing B/E.

One of the tobacco exporters has expressed his gratitude to the Commissioner for resolving the export through LUT issue in ICEGATE.

No other points were raised. The Chairperson concluded the meeting by thanking all the stakeholders.

SOWMYA NUTHALAPATI ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER

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All Stakeholders of CCFC/PTFC

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