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**Minutes of Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee (CCFC) Meeting held
on 07.09.2017 with all the Stake Holders of Krishnapatnam Port, by the
Chairperson Smt. Sudha Koka, I.R.S., Commissioner of Customs, Customs
Preventive Commissionerate, Vijayawada.**

Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee Meeting with the Stake Holders of Krishnapatnam Port was held on 07.09.2017 from 10.30 AM hrs. to 11.30 AM hrs at 5th floor of Krishnapatnam Port Admin Building as per CBEC Circular 13/2015- Cus dated 13/4/2015. The meeting was presided over by Smt. Sudha Koka, I.R.S., Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Vijayawada.

The following officers have attended the meeting.

1. Shri. M.Rama Mohana Rao, Joint Commissioner of Customs
2. Shri D. Satish, Deputy Commissioner of Customs
3. Shri. Y. Bhaskara Rao, Deputy Commissioner of Customs
4. Shri G. Chandrashekar, Assistant Commissioner of Customs
5. Shri N Padmanabaiah, Assistant Commissioner of State Tax, Nellore
6. Dr. K. Ravi, Plant Protection Officer, Plant Quarantine Station, Nellore
7. Shri VVS Murthy, Chief Advisor, Customs, M/s KPCL the Custodian
8. Shri . KM Giri, Manager, Operations, Seabird CFS, Krishnapatnam
9. Shri M.Chandrasekhar babu, A.G.M., M/s. KPCT, Krishnapatnam Port
10. Capt. Kapil Anand, Gateway CFS, Krishnapatnam
11. Shri Satyanarayana, AGM, Gateway CFS, Krishnapatnam
12. Shri Yadav Murthi, EIA, Chennai SO, Nellore

The Chairperson welcomed all the members of the trade/stake holders.

1. Chemical lab: As per the letter F.No. 14/KKD/Corres/Lab/2017, dated 28.04.2017 received from the Chemical Examiner, CRCL, Visakhapatnam, - the Director, CRCL, New Delhi has constituted a 3 member Committee, to look into the registration of NABL accredited laboratories with CRCL., for testing samples of Kakinada and Krishnapatnam Ports. It was decided in the minutes of the meeting dated 19.07.2017 that the list of such Nationally accredited Testing entities in and around Krishnapatnam obtained by the JC, CH, Krishnapatnam and M/s KPCL may be sent to the Director, CRCL, New Delhi for registration of the same for testing of samples. The updated position of registration of new labs may be obtained from CRCL, New Delhi. In this regard, it is informed that M/s Ashok Meyer Lab is one accredited

lab recognized by NABL. The labs may also be mapped to ICES for message exchange.

(Action : M/s KPCL & JC KPCH)

2. Container Scanner- Container Scanner allotted to Custom House, Krishnapatnam is to be installed. The Memorandum of Understanding and Operational Protocol Agreement for operation of scanners by the Customs Officers received with certain modification from Directorate of Logistics after due vetting were sent to the Custodian for necessary action. SAT Test to be done once again in the presence of Directorate of Logistics. A convenient date may be fixed with RAPISCAN by M/s KPCT. The Chairperson suggested **3rd week of September** to be more appropriate. Shri VVSN Murthy Chief Advisor KPCL said that they would consult Rapiscan and revert back by next week.

(DC (Imports) and M/s KPCT)

3. Inclusion of some more export items in Public Notice No. 07/2017: The Custodian, M/s. KPCL requested that some more export commodities i.e Cotton, Fruits, Vegetables and Seafood Products may be added to the existing Public Notice 07/2017 dated 12/04/2017. The Chairperson stated that in view of introduction of self sealing procedure for export containers from 01.10.2017, the need for addition of more items is not required. The Chairperson has dropped the point.

(Dropped)

4. Uncleared Cargo:

There are 2 consignments of 10' X 20' containers of Calcite Lumps which were imported through Krishnapatnam Port in the year 2014-15 vide Bills of lading numbers DMCQSGNH002196 dated 11.11.2014 ARRIVED ON 11.11.2014 AND 564877601 dated 30.10.2014, arrived on 25.11.2014. One consignment of 6' X 20' containers of Feldspar was re-imported through Krishnapatnam Port vide Bill of Lading No.951922354, dated 20.08.2014, arrived on 25.11.2014.

Both the above consignments of Calcite Lumps and Feldspar were examined by a valuation expert of the Custodian and based on the fair price, auction notices were issued by the Custodian 4 times on different dates. It was informed by the Custodian that no bidder has participated in the bidding. The Custodian has requested the JC, KPCH, to accord permission for destruction of the goods and release of containers. In

the minutes of the meeting held on 19.07.2017, the Chairperson had directed the JC, CH, Krishnapatnam to take necessary action under Section 48 of the Customs Act, 1962. Accordingly, the issue is to be taken up by customs with M/s MSTC by the end of this month.

(Action: DC (Shed))

New Points:

5. Stuffing and Self sealing in respect of M/s Seabird CFS

Chairperson has asked M/s Seabird to examine self sealing aspect in export instead of part shipment and part endorsements so that the export process could be completed in one go. The exporters can also register their premises anywhere in the jurisdiction of the Commissionerate except Vizag and adjoining metropolitan area.

(Action: M/s Seabird and DC (Export Examination))

6. Export Inspection Agency (EIA)

Mr Yadav Murthy, Assistant Director, EIA Sub office , Nellore represented the Agency and informed chairperson and other stake holders that EIA is issuing Country of Origin and Export Quality Certificate. EIA is also having the microbiological lab for testing sea food especially shrimps that are being exported through Krishnapatnam Port. M/s KPCL requested Sri Yadava Murthy, to expand their lab for testing imported food items also under FSSAI. Chairperson also requested Sri Yadava Murthy to share sea food Association office bearer's details with DC (Imports). Shri VVSN Murthy and M/s Seabird were advised by the Chairperson to explore the vendors of RFID seals. Chairperson exuded confidence that self sealing of export containers with RFID seal would streamline exports. In the coming one and half months, the EIA was asked to educate the sea food exporters on self sealing. Chairman said that the RMS & AEO programs are in line with global Customs standards. **(Action : DC (Imports))**

7. Frequent Disruption in EDI

Shri VVSN Murthy has requested that the amended Section 46(3) of the Customs Act, 1962 may be suspended in view of frequent disruptions in ICES & EDI, to which the Chairperson replied that it is not feasible as it requires amendment of statutory

provisions. Instead, the chairperson requested the trade to avail the facility of penalty waiver by the Joint Commissioner, who is the proper officer in this matter.

(Action: JC (KPCH))

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(M. RAMA MOHANA RAO)
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All Stakeholders of CCFC Meeting .

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