



OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS
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MINUTES OF THE 55th PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 10th SEPTEMBER, 2015, AT 16:30 HRS.

The 55th meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee of the Customs Commissionerate, Pune was held on 10th September, 2015 under the Chairmanship of Shri Vasa Seshagiri Rao, Commissioner of Customs, Pune.

2 Following members from the Trade and Industry attended the meeting:

S. No.	Name of the Member (S/ Shri)	Representing
1	Vinod Sharma	Pune Custom House Agents Association
3	Capt. Kavish Anand	KSH Distriparks
4	Rajdeepak Bhosgane	Maratha Chamber of Commerce, Industries & Agriculture
5	M.G. Bane	CWC
6	Nagesh Talai	Dynamic Logisitcs, ICD Dighi
7	Sunil Harpade	Dynamic Logisitcs, ICD Dighi
7	Jaysingh Kamthe	KSH Distriparks, Talegaon
8	Nikhil Oswal	World Trade Centre, Pune
8	Avinash Pal	M/s. CONCOR, Chinchwad
9	K.R. Natu	AMTOI

3 Following officers from the department also attended the meeting: -

S. No.	Name of the Officer (S/Shri)	Designation
1	Manish Thapliyal	Deputy Commissioner (Tech), Customs, Pune
2	B.S. Chauhan	Asstt. Commissioner, ICD Talegaon
3	Y. D. Kanzar	Asstt. Commissioner, ICD Chinchwad /CFS Pimpri
4	Ashok Kutty	Asstt. Commissioner ICD, Dighi & Technical Section, Customs, Pune
5	N.R. Naik	Superintendent (Tech) Customs, Pune
6	A.B. Solunke	Superintendent (Tech) Customs, Pune
7	Anil Gupta	Inspector, Technical, Customs, Pune

The Chairman welcomed the members present in the meeting. There were no written submissions sponsored by the Trade. However following points were discussed in the meeting.

1. **Revenue / Trade projection**:- The Chairman requested all members present and the Custom Brokers representing major importers to give revenue projections based on past performance & provide statistical data relating to value of goods imported, its volume, quantity & number of containers which will help Department to analyse trend & arrive at projections for this year.
2. **Cleanliness of CFS Pimpri**:- The chairman has expressed deep concern regarding cleanliness of CFS Pimpri office. The custodian has been requested to take immediate action in the matter and Shri Bane on behalf of CWC Pimpri assured that this will be taken care of immediately.
3. **Three issues were forwarded by mail from M/s. Thermax Industries –**

(i) S/Bills filed under EDI is not getting transferred/Linked to the DGFT site, hence unable to claim MEIS from Jt., DGFT, Office. This is creating accumulation of claims and not being able to claim the benefits on time.

(ii) FEMA Declaration: Filing SDF declaration is no more required for effecting shipments. However, a declaration should appear on the EDI Shipping Bill. It seems that there is no field in S/Bill, hence, CHAs affix a stamp on the S/Bill. Bankers insist for attestation by Customs Officer or it should be pre-printed. Suggest, the system should be modified suitably, so that the shipping bills can be printed with this declaration.

(iii) Drawback: Machinery/Capital Goods/ Project Exports are normally supplied with mixed payment terms i.e. advance against shipment and retention money receivable after commissioning and handing over. Approximate time is around 12 to 18 months from shipment. Customs settle claims worth more than Rs. 1 lakh (suspension case) only against BRC. This delays settlement of drawback claims. We suggest that once exporters get payments against shipment except the retention money, claims should be settled for 100 percent. Balance BRCs can be submitted to Customs once retention payment is realized."

These issues were received by email an hour before the stipulated time of the meeting. Chairman has stated that such communication must

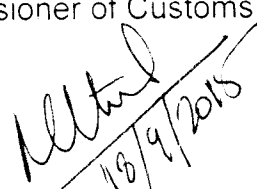
be sent well in advance for detailed examination and reply. Now, it is proposed to discuss these points in detail during the next PTFC meeting.

4. Logistic problems from Navasheva to Talegaon ICD: - Mr. Vinod

Sharma, President of Pune Custom House Agents' Association mentioned that new charges are being levied at the time of transshipment for ICDs at Pune. Such charges are not being levied when goods are taken to nearby CFS for clearance. This is hampering trade prospects of ICD's located in Pune. The Chairperson requested to provide details of such charges like invoices / bills.

The Chairman concluded the meeting with a vote of thanks to the members of Trade.

This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, Pune.



(Manish Thapliyal)

**DEPUTY COMMISSIONER (TECH-I)
CUSTOMS, PUNE**

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Pune. the 18th Sep., 2015.

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- 1) The Director (Customs) , CBEC, New Delhi
 - 2) D.G.I.C.C.E, New Delhi /The ADG, DGICCE Mumbai
 - 3) The Chief Commissioner, Central Excise Pune Zone
 - 4) Addl./ Joint Commissioner of Customs, Pune.
 - 5) Dy./Asstt. Commissioner of Hdqrs./ICDs/CFS/Airport Customs
Pune/Ratnagiri/Dapoli Division
 - 6) Supdt.(Tele-Commn), Pune Customs for posting the Minutes on
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 - 7) All Members of Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee.