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Sub: Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee - Minutes of the meeting held on 26.03.2018 Reg.

Meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee was held at 03:30 pm on 26.03.2018 in the Conference Hall of Custom House, Cochin. Shri. Sumit Kumar, Commissioner chaired the meeting.

The following officers of Customs were present. S/Shri/Smt

1. S Anilkumar, Additional Commissioner
2. Amreeta Titus, Dy, Commissioner
3. M.R.Hajong, Asst.Commissioner
4. Vikram Kaushik, Assistant Commissioner
5. Bhuvanachandran P., Scientist E', NIC
6. Baiju Daniel, Appraiser.
7. Vijayan Pillai, Superintendent of Customs (P)

The Trade and other Govt. Organizations related to trade were represented by S/Shri:

1. Raj Vinod, Cochin Port Trust
2. C M Unnikrishnan, Coir Board
3. Dr. Pramod P K, Assistant Director, EIA
4. V T Jadhav, Textile Committee
5. Dr. S Vijayakumar, MPEDA
6. Dr. Vrushi, Animal Quarantine
7. B N Jha, Spices Board
8. Pavithran V P, Cochin International Airport
9. A A Fernandez, CCBA
10. Sabu, CSAA

11. Sajan Abraham, CSAA
12. K Manoj Kumar, Consolidators Association of India
13. S Ramakrishnan, Seafood Exporters Association of India
14. Norbert Karikkassery, Seafood Exporters Association of India
15. P M Muraleedharan, ICCI
16. Biju R, CFS Pettah
17. Rajeev K S, CFS CONCOR
18. K Suresh Babu, CFS CPT
19. V. Veeraraghav, CFS GDKL
20. Santhosh Kumar, CFS Falcon, Kalmassery
21. Josemon M D, CFS, CICFS
22. N N Menon, Consultant

The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting and the action taken in respect of points thereon was taken for consideration after which fresh points were taken up.

Action on minutes of Last Meeting

The Chair stated that instructions on Coastal Containers, vessel inclusion, sailing report as discussed in the last PTFC Meeting have already been issued and made available on the website.

The Chair further added that request for examination of reefer containers selected by RMS has been examined and letter has already been issued. Shri Norbert of Seafood Exporters Association of India acknowledged the letter. Shri Norbert while appreciating the steps further requested for waiver from examination for Reefer Containers. The Chair stated that the issue has been taken up by the Risk Management Division and further added that RMS Instructions issued by the Board cannot be overlooked.

FRESH POINTS FOR DISCUSSION

Point No. 1 Formalities or Procedure in getting the LUT extended.

Shri S Ramakrishnan, SEAI asked as to whether there was any specific format to apply for extension of Letter of Undertaking.

The Chair stated that the formats for Letter of Undertaking for export of goods or services under Rule 96A was already available on the website and

stated that there was no further format for extension. He further added that new Bond for the new period shall be submitted in such cases.

Point No. 2 Delay in documentation work at Container Cell

Shri Sabu, CSAA stated that there was delay in documentation work of Container Cell.

The Chair enquired as to what are the functions carried out at Container Cell and also stated that steps would be taken up to post officers, if there was a need to carry out the responsibilities. Shri Sabu stated that he shall revert with the details.

Point No. 3 RMS Pick up on RFID sealed containers

Shri Fernandez, CCBA stated that Para 5 of CBEC Circular required examination only in cases of specific intelligence after the introduction of RFID seals. He stated that however RFID sealed containers are also being subject to RMS treatment and therefore examination is warranted in RFID sealed containers as well.

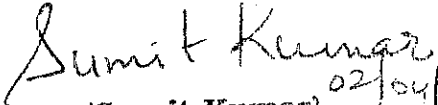
The Chair stated that this issue has been taken up already with CBEC and that instructions are awaited.

Point No. 4 Validity of self-stuffing permission issued by Custom House, Cochin

Shri Fernandez, CCBA stated that self-stuffing permission extensions are to be given every year in the ICES though the permission is valid indefinitely. He further added that he has been informed that the extension is to be given every year since system requests for an end date.

The Chair stated that the fact that an end date has to be given has already been taken up with the Directorate of Systems. He stated that till that time this practice of renewal every year shall continue. The Chair further added that the request for end date to be 10 years cannot be considered.

Since no other points came up for discussion, the Chair declared the meeting with a word of thanks to the members. The date for next meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee will be intimated through the Custom House website www.cochincustoms.nic.in. Enquiries if any may be made at the telephone number 0484-2667040 or by email at ccu@cochincustoms.gov.in or ccucochin@gmail.com


(Sumit Kumar) 02/04/18
Commissioner of Customs

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