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**Minutes of the CCFC and Open House Meetings conducted on
28.07.2020 by the Commissioner of Customs (Preventive),
Vijayawada at Custom House, Kakinada.**

The Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee (CCFC) Meeting along with Open House Meeting was held at 11.30A.M. on **28.07.2020** through webinar under the Chairmanship of Sri Dr. K. Venkat Ram Reddy, I.R.S, Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Vijayawada to resolve the trade related grievances in a time bound manner by institutionalizing the administrative mechanism for expeditious Customs Clearances of Import and Export goods. The following members attended the meeting.

OFFICERS OF CUSTOMS:

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1. V. Nagendra Rao, Additional Commissioner of Customs
2. G. Ramakrishna Raju Yadav, Deputy Commissioner
3. R.S. Mitra, Assistant Commissioner

STAKEHOLDERS:

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1. M. Murali Krishna, GM, KSPL, Kakinada
2. T. Ramachandra Rao, M/s Lorvens Shipping Services
3. K.V.S.Sitaram, Secretary, Kakinada Steamer Agency Association.
4. Dipak Bhatt, M/s. Bothra Shipping
5. Ramakrishna, M/s. Coromandel International Ltd.
6. Nani, M/s. Bothra Shipping
7. M.Subrahmanian, Terminal Manager, KCTPL
8. Partha Saradhi Kumar, Chemical Examiner, CRCL Vizag

The Chairman of the Committee welcomed all the members, stake holders of the Trade and Industry to the meeting. The Chairman has taken up review of the action taken on the previous minutes of the meeting held on 28-02-2020 at Custom House, Kakinada.

Review of points of the previous CCFC meeting:

1. Quick Action on pendency of SVB Investigations:

Shri Dipak Bhatt of M/s Bothra Shipping Ltd. has requested the Chairman to examine the pendency of SVB investigation issue in light of Board Circular Nos. 04/2016 and 05/2016 both dated 09.02.2016.

In this connection, Chairman has directed the concerned officer to send fresh proposal to the Headquarters and finalize the Bills of Entry pertaining to Import from related party on priority basis and to resolve the issue within 10 to 15 days.

Action: DC, KKDCH / Tech. Section, Hqrs. Office

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2. Non-receipt of acceptance message for Registration under Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations, 2018:

The Trade brought to the notice of the chairman that out of 15 registrants in Kakinada only 8 have received confirmation messages and the rest haven't received any. The members also stated that the amendment to the registration is not being accepted by the system.

The Chairman informed the trade that the screenshots of issues cropped up during the amendment may be sent to Custom House for further taking up with Sakshamseva and to resolve the issues.

Action: DC, KKDCH

3. Submission of Solvency Certificate for Private Bonded Warehouse:

The trade requested the Commissioner that a lump sum amount may be fixed for Solvency Certificate instead of solvency to the extent of amount involved on the goods proposed to be stored in the Private Bonded Warehouse.

The Chairman informed that the issue is a policy matter and any representation received in this regard from the trade will be forwarded to the Board for further clarification.

Action: No Pending Action

New Points

1. Recall of RMS facilitated Bill of Entry for corrections / provisional assessments, etc. on the request of Importer :

During the instances wherein an importer himself requests recall of RMS Bs/E for inserting any notification, certificate, PD Bond, etc. current EDI system is not equipped to accept Provisional Assessment request. In such cases the request is again sent to Additional Commissioner for approval which results sometimes to delays the process, especially where vessel is berthing and importer wants to take OOC / delivery immediately. The trade has requested the Commissioner to delegate power to Assistant Commissioner / Dy. Commissioner for recall of RMS B/E when the recall does not affect the revenue and the importer has himself requested for recall.

The chairman informed that it's a decision with all India ramifications and the request is not acceptable.

Action: No Pending Action

2. Quoting of DIN reference number in all communication by Department officers:

Shri Dipak Bhatt of M/s Bothra Shipping Ltd. has requested the Chairman that quoting of DIN reference No. for all communication is made mandatory vide Board Circulars No. 43/2019-cus dated 23-12-2019 and 37/2019-Cus. Dated 5-11-2019.

The Chairman informed the trade that all the officers are allotted IDs to generate DIN and DINs are being generated and affixed on the correspondence with Trade and Industry. Further, all the officers are advised to use DIN as per instructions issued in this office Standing Order No.08/2019-Cus. Dated 22.11.2019.

Action: No Pending Action

3. E-seal checking by KCT:

Shri M. Subrahmanian, Terminal Manager, KCTPL, raised a point that presently when the containers arriving with an E-seal were scanned by Customs Officer by a handheld device at terminal yard entrance for which, the customers are compelled to come to port against arrival of each container and the trucks are made to stay until their arrival and the e-seal is scanned. Due to this there is a decrease in no. containers to be stuffed in a day. It causes inconvenience to the operations and at other ports the presence of the customers is not needed. Also, the containers are staked at terminal at 4 storied high which makes it difficult to scan. In light of above factors, they requested to provide the handheld device to scan the E-seal to KCT, which will be able to scan the e-seal upon arrival itself and customers need not come to port.

The Chairman informed the trade that the scanning will only be done by the Customs Officer present at the Ghatty and scanner will not be given to KCTPL. He further stated that if there is an increase in containers an Officer will be posted for this purpose.

Action: No Pending Action

4. Testing of Samples at CRCL, Vizag:

Shri Partha Saradhi Kumar, Chemical Examiner, CRCL Vizag informed the Chairman that very few samples are received from Custom House Kakinada for testing and all the Edible oil samples are sent to JNTU lab in Kakinada for testing.

The chairman instructed the concerned officers that samples must be sent in 1:1 ratio to CRCL Vizag and JNTU Kakinada Labs. He also informed the Chemical Examiner that analysis of samples must be done on priority basis and the reports submitted mustn't have any ambiguity.

Action: DC, KKDCH

The Chairman concluded the meeting by thanking all the participants of the meeting.

This is issued with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Vijayawada.

V. N. Rao
(V. Nagendra Rao)
Additional Commissioner
Custom House, Kakinada

1. Copy submitted to the Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Vijayawada
2. Copy submitted to the Addl. Commissioner of Customs, Hqrs. Office, CC(P), Vijayawada
3. Copy to the Deputy Commissioner of Customs, Kakinada.
4. Copy to the Assistant Commissioner of Customs (Preventive & Warehousing), Custom House, Kakinada
5. Copy to the Assistant Commissioner of Customs (Docks), Custom House, Kakinada
6. Copy to Director of ports/ Port officer, Kakinada
7. All stakeholders of CCFC and OHM, KKD Port
8. Copy to KSPL with a request to post it on their web site and make it available to all the stake holders.
9. Copy to Asst Commissioner Comp HQ CPC VJA for posting on www.apcustoms.gov.in web site
10. Immigration Department, Kakinada
11. Plant Quarantine Department, Kakinada
12. Port Health Officer, Kakinada.