

## कार्यालय, आयुक्त सीमा शुल्क, आयात-I OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT-I)

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## MINUTES OF THE PTFC MEETING HELD ON 25.06.2025

A Meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) of Mumbai Customs Zone-I, for the month of April & May, 2025, was held on 25.06.2025 at 03:30 P.M. in the Conference Hall, 2nd floor, New Custom House, Mumbai. The meeting was chaired by Shri Rajan Chaudhary, Principal Commissioner of Customs (General), Zone-I, Mumbai. The following partners from Trade attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name of the Member (Shri/Smt./Ms.)	's Organization	
1.	Sanjeev Harale	President, BCBA	
2.	Manohar Patyane	BCBA	
3.	Chaitanya K. Raut	Deputy Traffic Manager, MBPA	
4.	V. K. Yadav	MBPA	
5.	Praful.V. Kamble	Deputy Traffic Manager, MBPA	
6.	Harsh Lapsia	BCBA	
7.	Paresh Thakkar	Senior Vice President, BCBA	
8.	Ashok Kumar Saini	BCBA	
9.	Shri Karunakar S Shetty	MACCRA	

2. The following officers attended the meeting on behalf of the Department.

Sr.	Name of the office	Desig	nation		
No.	(Shri/Smt./Ms.)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		(Import_I)
1.	Shri Praduymn K Tripathi	Comm	issioner of Custo	)IIIS	(IIIIport-1)
No.		Comm	issioner of Custo	oms	(Export)
2.	Shri Aslam Hassan	Comm	ilogioner or outsi		,
		A d d 1	Commissioner	of	Customs
3.	Shri Tagade Nitin				
		(General)			
-	Shri Amit Sharma	Addl.	Commissioner	of	Customs
4.		(Gene			
5.	Shri Krishna Kumar Prasad	Addl.	Commissioner	of	Customs
		(General)			
		Addi	Commissioner	of	Customs
6.	Shri Varun Rangaswamy	Audi.	0011111100101101		

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7.	Shri Vikram D. Phadke	Joint Commissioner of Customs
/ .		(Import-I)
8.	Shri Mandeep Singh Jalota	Joint Commissioner of Customs
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9.	Smt Tangadkar Deepika	Joint Commissioner of Customs
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10.	Shri Arshdeep Singh	Joint Commissioner of Customs
10.		(Import-I)
11.	Shri Indra Prakash	Asstt. Commissioner of Customs
11.		(General)

- 3. At the outset, the chairman extended his greetings and welcomed the team of BCBA and other stakeholders.
- 4. With the permission of Chair, Shri Vikram Phadke, Joint Commissioner of Customs (Import-I) informed that two new agenda points had been received for the day's meetings and one pending point from previous PTFC was also to be discussed.
- 5. Shri Vikram Phadke, presented the first agenda point received from Mumbai Port Authority regarding NOC for disposal of Customs confiscated/ detained UB lots and vehicle lots. He invited the MBPA officials to further elaborate on the point.

In response, Shri Praful Kamble, Deputy Traffic Manager, MbPA informed that Mumbai port authority has received NOC for disposal of UB lots as well as export consignments and expressed appreciation for the cooperation from Mumbai Customs.

Further, Shri. Praful Kamble, Deputy Traffic Manager, MbPA, raised the point regarding non-functioning of the Container Scanner operated and maintained by Customs at the Container Scanning Division (CSD), Wadi Bunder. In response, Shri Arshdeep Singh, Joint Commissioner of Customs (Import-I), informed that the said container scanner has been non-functional since August 2023. He stated that the CSD has been in regular communication with the Directorate of Logistics (DOL), and concerted efforts are being undertaken to facilitate the repair of the scanner. He further informed that, in the interim, the DOL is providing a Mobile Scanner to the CSD for the purpose of container scanning. In this regard, the Chair directed that necessary steps be taken to ensure early resolution of the issue.

6. Shri Pradyumn K. Tripathi, Commissioner of Customs (Import-I), informed Shri Sanjeev Harale, Chairman, BCBA, about the implementation of the Single Unified Multi-Purpose Electronic Bond (Ekal Anubandh) in

Customs and requested his support in spreading awareness among importers and other stakeholders. Trade representatives were also briefed about the formation of a Working Group on Trade Facilitation and were encouraged to share their suggestions to enhance trade facilitation.

- 7. Thereafter, Shri Vikram Phadke discussed about the pending point from previous PTFC meeting held on 12.03.2025, Shri Harsh Lapsia informed that working group on query analysis has scrutinized approximately 550 Bills of Entry and highlighted few Bills of Entry, wherein queries raised could have been avoided. In that regard, Shri Vikram Phadke informed that email has already been sent to the controlling officer of respective FAGs, however, the reply from said FAGs is still awaited and a reminder in this regard has also been sent.
- 8. Shri Vikram Phadke invited members to share any new agenda points for discussion. Shri Sanjeev Harale, Chairman, BCBA, raised a point related to the issuance of the "G" card. He suggested that upon passing the "G" card examination, the candidate's existing "H" card should be automatically upgraded to a "G" card on the CBLMS portal, without the requirement of cancelling the old "H" card and submitting a fresh application for issuance of "G" card. He also pointed out delays in the issuance of "G" cards. In response, the Chair clarified that submission of an application for the "G" card remains a necessary procedural step and cannot be dispensed with. However, he assured that the "G" card would be issued within 15 days from the date of receipt of the application.
- 9. A BCBA member raised concerns about unavailability of old security deposit documents in the Cash Section, leading to delays in refund. The Chair acknowledged the concern and advised BCBA to provide a list of Customs Brokers (CBs) facing the issue to facilitate resolution.
- 10. The Chair advised the BCBA to actively promote the participation of members from the All India Women Customs Brokers Association (AIWCBA) in PTFC and CCFC meetings, in order to provide an inclusive platform for addressing matters pertaining to women in the Customs domain.
- 11. Shri Sanjeev Harale, Chairman, BCBA, requested the Chair to consider revising the qualifying criteria for the "G" card examination by reducing the passing percentage from 60% to 50%. He further proposed that the "G" card examination be conducted twice a year. In response, the Chair advised BCBA to submit a formal written proposal in this regard, upon receipt of which the matter would be examined and appropriate steps would be taken.
- 12. Shri Aslam Hassan, Commissioner of Customs (Export) invited Shri

Abhishek Jain to inform about the ICETAB. Shri Abhishek Jain informed the chair that the ICETAB has been launched in export in the month-June 2025. Further, he informed that various services provided by EDI service center which was earlier done offline manually is now getting automated by DG systems, in this regard, a Public Notice will be issued by EDI.

- 13. The Chair emphasized the need for timely completion of inquiry reports and forwarding of related documents, including Show Cause Notices, to the concerned Customs Brokers within a stipulated timeframe to uphold the principles of natural justice.
- 14. The BCBA requested the MBPA to provide proper facility to increase the import of cargo in Mumbai port. In this regard, Shri Praful Kamble, Deputy Traffic Manager informed that various steps have been taken by MBPA to boost the automobile trade in Mumbai port, according to the suggestions given by BCBA. Further, he informed that recently huge quantity of cargo of project imported was imported at Mumbai port, however, after clearance of cargo, packages and covering material were left behind at the port which consumed lot of space in port area. In this regard, he requested the BCBA to instruct their members/ Importers to clear the left over material. The BCBA informed that they would take necessary steps in this regard at the earliest.
- 15. Further, the Chair suggested that a combined PTFC meeting including all three zones be conducted on a quarterly basis to enable a holistic discussion of issues. The Chair also directed that the minutes of the PTFC meetings be circulated to all Mumbai Customs Zones for their information and consideration.
- 16. The Chair further directed that PTFC meetings should be conducted regularly on a monthly basis. In the absence of the Pr. Commissioner (General), the senior-most Commissioner shall preside over the meeting.

As there were no further points for discussion, the meeting concluded with a formal vote of thanks to the Chair.

This issues with the approval of Principal Commissioner of Customs (General).

(Vikram D. Phadke)

Joint Commissioner of Customs Appraising (General), Import -I

NCH, Zone-I.

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