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MINUTES OF THE CUSTOMS CLEARANCE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (CCFC) MEETING OF MUMBAI CUSTOMS, ZONE-I HELD ON 06.05.2025 AT NEW CUSTOMS HOUSE, MUMBAI

The 2nd meeting of the Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee (CCFC) for the Financial Year 2025-26 of Mumbai Customs Zone-I was held on 06.05.2025 (Tuesday) at 11:30 AM in the Conference Hall, 2nd Floor, New Customs House, Mumbai under the Chairmanship of Shri Nitish K. Sinha, Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-I.

2. The following officers/representatives attended the meeting:

S.No.	Name	Designation
1	Shri Rajan Chaudhary	Pr. Commissioner of Customs (G)
2	Shri Pradyumn Tripathi	Commissioner of Customs (Import-I)
3	Shri Amrendra Kumar Narayan	Commissioner of Customs (Import-II)
4	Smt. Shraddha Joshi Sharma	Commissioner of Customs (Audit)
5	Shri Amitkumar Nikalje	Additional Commissioner of Customs (CCO)
6	Shri Arvind Ghuge	Additional Commissioner of Customs (Gen)
7	Shri Amit Sharma	Additional Commissioner of Customs (Gen)
8	Dr. Subhash Yadav	Additional Commissioner of Customs, Import
9	Smt. Jyoti Agrawal	Additional Commissioner of Customs, Import
10	Shri Vikram Phadke	Joint Commissioner of Customs, Export

11	Shri Dinesh Kumar	Assistant Commissioner of Customs (CCO)
12	Shri V K Yadav	Sr. Assistant Manager, MbPA
13	Shri P V Kamble	Dy. Traffic Manager, MbPA
14	Shri C K Raut	Dy. Traffic Manager, MbPA
15	Shri Vivek Uppar	PPO(E), RPQS, Mumbai
16	Mrs. Suchita Ambetkar	Representative of Assistant Drug Controller
17	Dr. Sharmila Amin	Co-convenor WRC, AMTOI
18	Shri Sanjeev Harale	President, BCBA
19	Shri Paresh Thakkar	Sr. Vice President, BCBA
20	Shri Ashish Pednekar	Chairman, USIIC
21	Shri Jayyant Lapasia	President, AILBIEA
22	Shri Manik Nasta	Committee Member, AILBIEA
23	Shri Ganpat Korde	V. President, BCBA
24	Shri Dushyant Mulani	Chairman, FFFAI
25	Shri Sudeep Day	Hon. Secretary, FFFAI
26	Shri Omprakash Agrawal	Committee Member, MACCIA
27	Shri Manohar Patnaye	BCBA
28	Shri Harsh Lapsia	BCBA

- 3. Shri Amitkumar Nikalje, Additional Commissioner of Customs (CCO) extended a warm welcome to all the attendees. The Chair then extended his greetings and welcomed the PGAs and trade representatives to the meeting. Then, the meeting proceeded with review of action taken on minutes of CCFC meeting held on 09.04.2025.
- 4.1. With respect to outlining the roles and responsibilities for Customs Brokers, Principal Commissioner (General) has been directed to issue SOP in consultation with associations. Further, it has also been directed to provide the comments on all policy related matters i.e. changes in CBLR, 2018 submitted by the BCBA. Pr. Commr. (Gen.) informed

that he is examining the matter in consultation with BCBA representatives and that a response will be submitted soon.

Further, Shri Sanjeev Harale, President of BCBA, raised concern that Customs Brokers are being penalized under Section 114 of the Customs Act during adjudication for interpretative issues such as classification or notification benefits. In response, the Chair directed that details of such practices at major Customs Houses and specific suggestions with respect to them may be sent to take up the matter with the Board.

Action: Pr. Commissioner (General), BCBA

4.2. In the previous meeting, it was informed that when Mumbai Customs Zone-I grants licences to Customs Brokers (CBs), Regulation 7(3) of the CBLR, 2018 requires submission of Form-C intimation to operate at other Customs locations. However, various Custom Houses follow inconsistent and cumbersome procedures, leading to delay in registration process. Some Zones have also issued public notices for the process followed.

The Chair directed to provide the public notices from other ports so that the matter can be taken up with the Board for necessary clarification and standardisation of procedures.

Action: BCBA

5.1 Further, President, BCBA informed that there is wide concern for F-Card examination conducted pan-India on March 18, 2025. The applicants informed that there was a significant deviation in the exam structure and content compared to previous years. BCBA also represented the matter with Joint Secretary, Customs requesting to review of the exam.

In this regard, the Chair instructed to examine the matter and take up if required with NACIN along with BCBA's representation.

Action: BCBA, CCO

5.2 President, BCBA informed that the process of provisional to final assessment of BEs still requires manual intervention even after relevant documents such as Test Reports or SVB orders are submitted through e-Sanchit. In this regard, it was requested the development of an automated mechanism where upon uploading the documents, the BEs are directly routed to the assessing officers screen for final assessment.

In this regard, the Chair directed to refer the matter to the DG Systems.

Action: CCO

This issues with approval of the Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Customs Zone-I.

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Additional Commissioner of Customs CCO, NCH, Mumbai

Copy to:

- 1. The Under Secretary, (CUS IV), CBIC, North Block New Delhi
- 2. All Pr. Commissioners/Commissioners of Customs, Mumbai Zone I3. All the Members of the CCFC Meeting by email
- 4. BCBA, Mumbai by email
- 5. AC/DC, EDI (with a request to upload the minutes on the Zonal website Office)