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**MINUTES OF THE PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10.06.2019 AT 4.00 PM AT COMMISSIONER'S CONFERENCE ROOM, O/O THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, IMPORT COMMISSIONERATE, CUSTOM HOUSE, CHENNAI.**

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Shri R. Srinivasa Naik, Commissioner of Customs, Import Commissionerate chaired the meeting and welcomed the members.

The following members from the Trade Associations attended the meeting.

S/Shri/Ms.

1. R.N. Sekar, Secretary, CCBA
2. S. Nataraja, President, CCBA
3. R. Kumar, EC, CCBA

The following officers of Import Commissionerate attended the meeting.

S/Shri/Ms.

1. K.K. Suja, Additional Commissioner, CH-II
2. R. Gopalsamy, Joint Commissioner, CH-II
3. D. Srinivas, Assistant Commissioner, Gr 6, Appg. Main
4. J. Ilango, Deputy Commissioner, Gr 5
5. N. Narasimha Prasad, Assistant Commissioner, EPCG, EODC, LRC, RRU
6. K. Aravind, Deputy Commissioner, Gr-4, Gr-3
7. P. Raghava Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Gr 5A
8. P. Suresh Babu, Assistant Commissioner, Refunds, 5B
9. Jose Varghese, Assistant Commissioner, Gr-1
10. Rahul Sharma, Appraising Officer, Appg. Main

The following agenda points submitted by the Chennai Custom Brokers' Association were taken into cognizance and discussed in brief during the PTFC under the chairmanship of Commissioner.

**Points taken up for discussion:**

**Point 1**

The CCBA representative put forth that there are B/Es in which after Assessment, Examination has not been prescribed and therefore examination order is not required and there

is no necessity for Assessing Officer to put open order or instruction. The CCBA stated that they find the Assessing Officer is issuing open order or instructions to the Docks Officers and based on which they were asked to weigh the shipment or open the containers. The CCBA representatives requested that, in cases where the Examination has been waived by the system, the Assessing Officer should not issue open order or instruction to examine the goods in routine manner.

**Reply:** To this the Commissioner has asked the CCBA representatives to provide specific instances where such instructions / comments have been given by the Group Appraisers / A.C, so that suitable action is taken.

**Point 2**

The CCBA representatives claimed that, in case of dispute in valuation, classification, etc when importer requests for under protest registration or speaking order, the same is not being entertained and the department insists on acceptance letter from the importers. The CCBA requested that the letter for registration under protest should be accepted and registered.

**Reply:** The Commissioner stated that if the importers do not accept the views of Appraising Groups in respect of any assessment issue, then they can resort to payment of duty under protest and get a speaking order from Appraising Groups. However, if in any instance where speaking order has not been given to the importer and Group Officer has insisted on acceptance letter from importer, then such instances may be brought to the notice of this Office.

After the discussions, the meeting was concluded by the Chairperson thanking all the members who were present in the meeting.



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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS  
(APPRAISING MAIN, CHENNAI-II)

To,

All Trade Associations

Copy Submitted to:

1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Chennai Zone for kind information.
2. The Commissioner of Customs (Chennai III/IV/VII and VIII)

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1. All JC/DC/ACs in Chennai II Commissionerate.
2. The Assistant Commissioner of Customs, EDI – for uploading in Chennai Customs Website/Intranet of the Zone.
3. The Enquiry Section, Chennai – VIII.