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OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS**

**चेन्नै सीमा शुल्क क्षेत्र
CHENNAI CUSTOMS ZONE**

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CUSTOM HOUSE, NO.60, RAJAJI SALAI, CHENNAI 600 001.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 125th Customs Clearance Facilitation Committee (CCFC) meeting was held on 29.10.2025 (Wednesday) at 12.00 Noon through Virtual Mode. Shri Madan Mohan Singh, Principal Chief Commissioner of Customs, Chennai Zone, chaired the meeting.

2. The following officials from Customs Department, PGAs and other Stakeholders attended the meeting:

S/Shri/Smt.

1. Istikhar Baig, Principal Commissioner (Preventive / Airport)
2. A.Prasad, Commissioner (General)
3. Bidhan Chandra, Commissioner (Import / ACC)
4. A.Manimaran, Commissioner (Export)
5. Dr.A.V.T.Bharathidhasan, Commissioner (Audit)
6. D.Lakshmikantha, Addl. Commissioner (Export)
7. D.S.Sangeetha, Addl. Commissioner (Import)
8. Tej Kumar, Addl. Commissioner (Import)
9. Rajesh Vithalrao Shelke, Addl. Commissioner (CCO)
10. Gopi Dhonthireddy, Addl. Commissioner (Audit)
11. A.Govindaraj, Addl. Commissioner (ACC)
12. Y.Srinivasa Rao, Addl. Commissioner (Prev.)
13. Dr.Mahesh Chavan, Joint Commissioner (Export)
14. B.Vinayak, Joint Commissioner (Airport)
15. S.Saraswathi, Joint Commissioner (Preventive)
16. Shubhdeep Kaur, Joint Commissioner (ACC)
17. Dr.Venugopalan Nair, Deputy Commissioner (CCO)
18. D.Dwarakanadha Reddy, AD, DGTS, CZU
19. Taruna Lulla, AD, NCTC (Cargo)
20. Jayalakshmi Veerasamy, Asst. Commissioner (Export)
21. M.Sitalakshmi, Asst. Commissioner (Import)
22. M.Sriram Venkatesan, Asst. Commissioner (Import)
23. P.Sreerama Murthy, Asst. Commissioner (Import)

24. R.Jones Ferling Raja, Asst. Commissioner (Import)
25. G.Sendhil Kumaran, Sr. Deputy Traffic Manager, Chennai Port Authority
26. Port Health Officer (PHO), Chennai
27. Traffic Division, Kamarajar Port Ltd.
28. U.Ameer, Adani Kattupalli Port Ltd.
29. M.S.Shakul, DGM, CCTL DP World
30. Dr. P.Manavalan, Deputy Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO
31. Arun Pucchakayala, Joint Director, BIS, CNBO
32. S.Pandiyaraja, Joint Director, FSSAI
33. AAICLAS HR
34. Bureau of Immigration (BOI), Chennai Seaport
35. Doki Adimallaiah, Wildlife Inspector, WCCB
36. Divakaran Nair, Vice President, CCBA
37. R.N.Sekar, Secretary, CCBA
38. R.Kumar, Treasurer, CCBA
39. S.S.Sivashankar, Customs Committee Head, CCBA
40. Ananth Sairam, PRO, CCBA
41. Y.Leeladharan, Chairman, Chennai & Ennore Ports Steamer Agents Association
42. S.Padmanabhan, Secretary, NACFS-National Chapter
43. Priya Ravishankar, Women Wing, NACFS, Chennai Chapter.

3. Members of the following organizations did not participate in the Video Conference.

- a. AQCS
- b. CRCL
- c. CONCOR
- d. RPQS
- e. CWC, DPE, Thiruvottiyur
- f. TNPCB
- g. PSA CITPL
- h. Textile Committee

4. Shri Rajesh V Shelke, Addl. Commissioner (CCO) welcomed all the Members. The Addl. Commissioner (CCO) stated that the Meeting is chaired by Shri Madan Mohan Singh, Pr. Chief Commissioner of Customs for the first time and welcomed him. The Chairman asked Shri Rajesh V Shelke, Addl. Commissioner (CCO) to continue the proceedings.

4.1 The Addl. Commissioner (CCO) stated that as mandated vide Board's Circular No. 21/2025-Customs dated 12.09.2025, the CCFC Meeting shall hereafter be held once in two months and recalled that the last meeting was held in the month of August, 2025. The Addl. Commissioner made a brief presentation on the Public Notices and Facility Circulars issued during the last two months.

5. With the permission of the Chairman, the following points raised were taken up for discussion.

Point No.MAA276:- Request for Dis-continuation of Landing Permission Certificate issued by Import Commissioner for dangerous goods like CALCIUM CARBIDE

6. Shri R.N.Sekar, President, CCBA, stated that at the time of issuance of OOC, Officers are insisting upon to produce Landing Permission Certificates. In this connection, the President, CCBA, submitted that as per Rule 14 of CHAPTER III PART II - IMPORTATION BY SEA OF CALCIUM CARBIDE RULES, 1987, Carbide shall be landed with the permission of the Collector of Customs and as per Rule 11, the Master or Agent or owner of every vessel carrying Carbide shall, on entering the Port and before landing any cargo, declare in writing to the Customs. Accordingly, the Liners/ Agents are submitting the details of the dangerous goods in the IGM (Import General Manifest) and vessels are permitted after compliance of all formalities by the Master/Agent. Therefore, at the time of issuance of OOC, a separate permission from Import Commissioner need not be insisted upon and the same has to be dis-continued.

6.1 The Addl. Commissioner (CCO) asked the Commissioner (Import) to share his views. Shri Bidhan Chandra, Commissioner (Import) stated that a valid point was raised by CCBA but Import Commissionerate must comply the Calcium Carbide Rules even though it is old. The Commissioner (Import) further stated that it was decided by a Committee that until the Rules are changed, Import Commissionerate shall continue to issue Landing Permission Certificate. To streamline the whole process, the Import Commissioner suggested filing of an advance BE for the explosive and dangerous goods and stated that even before landing of the consignment, the Import Commissionerate will come to know about the description of the item / quantity and accordingly Landing Permission Certificate can be issued in advance. The Import Commissioner further stated that at the most 30-35 Bills are filed in a month.

6.2 The Chairman stated that as per the Calcium Carbide Rule, it is a sovereign function bestowed on Customs and it cannot be abrogated for the sake of convenience. The Chairman emphasized the importance of issuance of Landing Permission Certificate as it involves the security of the nation and directed that the present system shall continue till some better alternatives emerge.

(Point Closed)

Point No. MAA277:- Sensitizing the FAG officers at various locations

7 . The President, CCBA, stated that at major Metropolitan cities like, Chennai, Mumbai, etc. where CRCL is located, the textile samples are being forwarded to them for testing and only if any particular testing parameter is not available at CRCL, after obtaining the requisite approval from the concerned Addl. Commissioner, the samples are being sent to other labs. FAG Officers (at various locations where CRCL is not located), while giving examinations orders for drawal of samples to test textile goods, are directing to send the samples to Textile Committee. Hence, the CBs are forced to send such samples to Textile Committee under manual Test Memo, which leads to delay due to specific permission procedures. He further stated that Chennai Custom House has CRCL Lab and all the samples are drawn under online Test Memo and samples are permitted to be sent to outside Lab only when there is no testing facility available at CRCL. Therefore, he requested that FAG officers at various locations may be sensitized to issue examination order to the effect that sample has to be sent to CRCL only and if such testing facility is not available at CRCL, and then only the sample should to be sent to Textile Committee. Hence, in respect of any examination order directing in a routine

manner that the sample has to be sent to Textile Committee, the sample should invariably be sent to CRCL for the benefit of trade and for quick clearance.

7.1 The Addl. Commissioner (CCO) asked the Commissioner (Import) to share his views. Shri Bidhan Chandra, Commissioner (Import) stated that as far as Chennai is concerned, such examination orders are not given but in respect of other locations, he do not have any control. However, it is proposed to raise this issue in the next Meeting of NAC Group 3/3A so that the Convener can issue formal instructions sensitizing the officers at all FAG locations.

7.2 The Addl. Commissioner (CCO) asked the Commissioner (Export) to share his views. Shri A.Manimaran, Commissioner (Export) stated that he too agrees with the views of Commissioner (Import) and to help the Trade, in respect of those cases where the FAG Officers have issued examination order for testing of samples at Labs other than CRCL, permission is accorded by the Addl. Commissioner of the respective Shed to get the samples tested at CRCL. The Export Commissioner further stated that he had requested Import Commissioner to take up this issue with the NAC Group 3/3A.

**[Action: Commissioner (Import)]
(Point Closed)**

8. The Chairman concluded the Meeting by thanking all the Members.

9. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

This issues with the approval of the Pr. Chief Commissioner of Customs, Chennai Zone.

(राजेश वी शेलके)
(RAJESH V SHELKE)
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ADDL. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (CCO)

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The Deputy/ Assistant Commissioner (EDI), Custom House, Chennai
(With a request to upload the minutes of the meeting in the Chennai Custom House website)