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MINUTES OF PERMANENT TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) Meeting for the month of June, 2026 (physical Mode) was held on 10.06.2026 at 15:30 hrs. at Custom House Tuticorin under the chairmanship of Shri. Devendra Vasudeo Nagvenkar, Principal Commissioner of Customs, Custom House Tuticorin.

2. The Customs Officials and Stakeholder, representative who attended the meeting is mentioned in Annexure-A and Annexure-B

3. At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the participants of the meeting. During the meeting, the following agenda points were taken up for discussion and the minutes of the same is as below.

POINTS RAISED BY TUTICORIN CUSTOMS BROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Agenda Point No.: - 1. Drawback Scroll Issues:

It is observed that although Drawback / IGST / RoDTEP scrolls are being generated, the export benefits are not being credited to the exporters' account due to various technical issues. In this regard, it is brought to your kind notice that the entire shipping bills pertaining to Drawback Scroll No.177885 dated 31.03.2026 have recently been rejected by the PFMS system, resulting in non-credit of drawback amounts to the concerned exporters. We request you to kindly establish a procedure for automatic regeneration of such rejected shipping bills to avoid repeated delays and hardship to the trade. Further, we also request you to take up the matter with DG Systems for an early resolution. (few Shipping Bill list attached).

Reply: - It is informed that, with reference to Scroll No. 177885 dated 31.03.2026, six new scrolls have been regenerated and that six new scrolls bearing Nos. 182417/25.05.2026, 180510/04.05.2026, 180947/08.05.2026, 182965/01.06.2026, 183385/05.06.2026 and 183594/09.06.2026, drawback scrolls have been generated from this office, covering all 5220 shippings bills.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.: - 2. RODTEP Issues:

Exporters are still facing issues in claiming RoDTEP benefits due to system-related inconsistencies in ICEGATE. It is observed that the RoDTEP value in several Shipping Bills is reflected as "Zero" at the time of LEO. Further, for Shipping Bills filed during the period from 23.02.2026 to 22.03.2026, the RoDTEP scrolls are being generated at 50%, despite DGFT Notification No. 60/2025-26 dated 23.02.2026 restoring the benefit to 100% with effect from 23.02.2026. In this regard, we request your goodself to kindly arrange for rectification of the RoDTEP benefit to 100% for the above period and regeneration of the affected Shipping Bills reflecting "Zero" RoDTEP. We also request you to kindly take up the matter with DG Systems for early resolution Shipping Bills with Zero RODTEP Value DBK/IGST Scrolls

Reply: - It is informed that the RoDTEP benefit was inadvertently reflected as "Zero" at the time of grant of Let Export Order (LEO) due to a system-related issue. In this regard, the requisite correction is required to be carried out at the Export Assessment Section through a Post-EGM amendment process. Accordingly, it is requested that the concerned exporter(s) or their authorised agent(s) may approach the Export Assessment Section with all relevant documents for processing of the amendment. The exporter(s) or their authorised agent(s) may also ensure compliance with the conditions and procedures prescribed under Notification No. 36/2017-Customs (N.T.) dated 11.04.2017 and any amendments issued thereto, while submitting the request for amendment.

Further, with regard to Shipping Bills filed during the period from 23.02.2026 to 22.03.2026, it is informed that RoDTEP scrolls are being generated only to the extent of 50% of the eligible benefit. This is in accordance with the Corrigendum to Notification No. 66/2025-26 dated 23.03.2026, wherein it has been stipulated that only 50% of the RoDTEP benefit shall be admissible for the said period.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.: - 3. Left out Shipping Bills for filing of EGM.

Certain Shipping Bills are left out at the time of filing EGM/Gateway EGM by various shipping lines. In some cases, even though the Vessel Operator has successfully filed the SDM and SDN and received acknowledgement, the data is not getting populated in the EGM system. Despite continuous follow-up with Customs and DG Systems, the EGM issues are still pending for the below vessels. VESSEL: MV. HE YUAN SHUN 89 V.039S ROT No. & Date: 1187728 / 09.04.2026 SDM Unique ID: 16121944091827042026SACHM2 (Pending for more than 30 days) We request your goodself to kindly take up the matter with the concerned authorities/DG Systems and arrange for early resolution of the issue. (few Shipping Bill list attached)

Online Cancellation for the EODC completed EPCG/DEEC License

Reply: - In this regard, it is informed that in case of any errors or discrepancies identified/noticed in the EGM such as shipping Bills left out in the EGM, the necessary amendments are required to be done by the Shipping Lines/Their Agent.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.: - 4. Shortage of Officers:

As there is shortage of Assistant Commissioners due to transfer and Superannuation and shortage of inspectors in large numbers, there are delay in day to day execution of clearance of cargo and processing at various sections in customs house. Hence, we request to kindly take up and ensure adequate number of officers.

Reply: - The association was requested to bring to the Notice specific issues where difficulties are faced and it was ensured that there shall be no delay in clearance work.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.: - 5. Delay in E-Bond Execution for EPCG / DEEC / Test Bonds:

Delays persist in E-Bond execution for EPCG / DEEC / Test Bonds due to multiple approvals and continued requirement of manual document submission. This results in delayed licence registration and late filing of Bills of Entry, leading to late filing fine and detention charges. The issue raised earlier remains unresolved. We request your kind intervention to streamline the process and enable complete digital execution.

Reply: -Issues such as PAN/Aadhar linkages etc. are to be resolved by the importers with ICEGATE and the SOP/Advisory issued in this shall be complied with.

(ACTION: Association)

Agenda Point No.: - 6. Implementation of Swift 2.0 :

After implementation of Swift 2.0 for PGA's, Plant Quarantine clearance through Swift 2.0 was effected from April 2026. As the process of application, payment of fees and sometimes the exact fee is not reflected, so we are facing delay in clearance. We request to take up with concern authorities and resolve for smooth clearance

Reply: - In the meeting it was informed by the PPO (PP) of Plant Quarantine office that a WhatsApp group was created for issues related to fee payment and accordingly a team was on the job to resolve the issues. The stakeholders were requested to make use of the WhatsApp group.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.: - 7. Issues Related to Scanning

i. Percentage of Scanning

The percentage of containers selected for scanning has increased and also the percentage of scanned containers marked either 100% examination or marked area examination is high and all the report is Difference in Density.

ii. Frequent Scanning of Import Containers for same IEC and Commodity

Now Scanning is generated for import consignment of a same IEC and commodity frequently and also marked for examination by Scanning Division. We request to kindly review the above issues and give suitable instructions to CSD officers. So that there will be no need for RMS facilitated Bill of Entry directed to CFS for examination and clearance.

Reply: -Association is requested to submit the specific data regarding percentage of containers scanned and grievances faced so as to consider their request for facilitation.

(ACTION: Association)

Agenda Point No.: - 8. Functioning of TSK

There are only 2 Superintendents posted in TSK section, we request to kindly post additional Superintendents and also to function on Saturdays.

Reply: - The association was requested to bring to the Notice specific issues/grievances where difficulty is faced.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

POINTS RAISED BY N.K.Selvakumar of M/s SCM Garments Pvt Ltd

Agenda No.: 1. DUTY DRAWBACK SCROLL Released shipping bills amount has fully / partial not credit in our account – list attached

Reply- It is informed that the Duty Drawback Scroll has already been generated and released from this office.

Further, it is requested that the status of further processing and credit of the drawback amount may be verified with the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) authorities.

For ready reference, the contact details of PFMS are furnished below:

- PFMS Call Centre (Toll-Free): 1800 118 111
- E-mail: pfms@gov.in

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.2. DRAWBACK SCROLL No: 177885 DT.31.03.2026 – Total scroll Amount Rs.45,19,779.00 and the scroll status shows as “REJECTED”

The shipping bills covered in scroll No: 177885, has re issue on the part of same Shipping bill Nos to new scroll no as 182417 DT.25.05.2026 & 182965 DT.01.06.2026 – list attached- the listed drawback amount has not yet credit in our account.

DRAWBACK ScrollNumber	DRAWBACK ScrollDate	Sum of ScrollAmount(INR)	REMARKS
181194	12-05-2026	8629214.00	AMOUNT NOT YET CREDIT

Reply- It is informed that, with regard to Scroll No. 177885 dated 31.03.2026, six new scrolls have been regenerated and that six new Drawback scrolls bearing Nos. 182417/25.05.2026, 180510/04.05.2026, 180947/08.05.2026, 182965/01.06.2026, 183385/05.06.2026 and 183594/09.06.2026, have been generated from this office, covering all 5220 shipping bills.

With regard to drawback Scroll No. 181194 dated 12.05.2026, it is also informed that the Duty Drawback Scroll has already been generated and released from this office. Accordingly, the status of processing and credit of the drawback amount may kindly be verified with the concerned PFMS authorities.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Pont No.3. Near about – 200 Shipping bills EGM to clear in TUTICORIN MAIN CUSTOMS.

Reply- In this regard, it is informed that in case any errors or discrepancies identified/noticed in the EGM, the necessary amendments are required to be done by the Shipping Lines/Their Agent.

(ACTION: Association)

Agenda Point No. 4. Drawback Query- An email dated 10.06.2026 received from the Textile Committee, Tirupur, regarding an exporter, M/s. SCM Garments Pvt. Ltd. The email informed that a duty drawback query pertaining to Tuticorin Customs.

Reply:- In this regard, it is informed that the exported goods, namely garments, were declared as separate "Top" and "Bottom" articles at the time of export. However, upon verification of the packing details and other records, it was observed that both garments were packed and marked together for retail sale as a single set.

In view of the classification issues involved and having regard to the relevant provisions of the Customs Tariff and the Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes, it was requested to clarify the appropriate classification of the goods and to furnish a report from the Textile Committee, based on the examination of identical/representative samples of the goods, indicating the nature, composition, description and appropriate classification of the garments.

Further, it is informed that the admissibility of the appropriate Drawback Schedule entry and the consequent processing of the drawback claim shall be examined on receipt of the requisite information and documents and will be determined on a case-to-case basis in accordance with the applicable statutory provisions.

(ACTION: Exporter and Drawback Section of INTUT1)

POINTS RAISED BY KARTHIKEYAN.M, Manger Export and Import, TEA

Agenda Point No.: 1. Drawback Query replied , still pending for the regularization and scroll processing, and an additional query was raised for the same

description , which is explained in detail .

Reply:- In this regard, it is informed that the exported goods, namely garments, were declared as separate "Top" and "Bottom" articles at the time of export. However, upon verification of the packing details and other records, it was observed that both garments were packed and marked together for retail sale as a single set.

In view of the classification issues involved and having regard to the relevant provisions of the Customs Tariff and the Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes, it is requested that the exporter may kindly clarify the appropriate classification of the goods and furnish supporting documents such as Invoice, packing list, purchase order and any other relevant records. Further, the exporter may also submit, if available, a report from the Textile Committee, based on the examination of identical/representative samples of the goods, indicating the nature, composition, description and appropriate classification of the garments. Such information would facilitate the determination of the correct Drawback Schedule entry and the expeditious processing of the drawback claim.

Further, it is informed that the admissibility of the appropriate Drawback Schedule entry and the consequent processing of the drawback claim shall be examined on receipt of the requisite information and documents and will be determined on a case-to-case basis in accordance with the applicable statutory provisions.

(ACTION: Exporter and ICD)

Agenda Point No.: 2. Rectification of RoDTEP Credits and Issuance of Differential / Scrolls for Shipping Bills Filed During 23 February 2026 to 22 March 2026 — Consequent to Supersession of Notification No. 60/2025-26 by Notification No. 66/2025-26.

Reference: (i) DGFT Notification No. 60/2025-26 dated 23.02.2026; (ii) DGFT Notification No. 66/2025-26 dated 23.03.2026. A detailed representation is attached for your reference . RODTEP 50% Issues:-

Reply- Further, with regard to Shipping Bills filed during the period from 23.02.2026 to 22.03.2026, it is informed that RoDTEP scrolls are being generated only to the extent of 50% of the eligible benefit. This is in accordance with the Corrigendum to Notification No. 66/2025-26 dated 23.03.2026, wherein it has been stipulated that only 50% of the RoDTEP benefit shall be admissible.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

Agenda Point No.3- Request for Assistance – Resolution of Pending SB006 Cases (IGST Refund Blocked)-

We would like to bring to your kind attention that multiple export shipping bills filed by us are currently pending under **SB006 status**, resulting in **non-receipt of IGST refunds**, despite completion of all required export formalities.

Reply- In this regard, it is informed that if any errors or discrepancies are identified/noticed in the EGM, the necessary amendments are required to be done by

the Shipping Lines/Their Agent.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

**Agenda Point No.4- Pending Scroll need to be released for RoSCTL/RoDTEP—
Scheme Bills Pending from ROSCTL/RODTEP Not received in EScrip Ledger
Account:**

Reply:- In regard to RoSCTL/RoDTEP, it is informed that the concerned Scroll has already been generated and released from this office.

(ACTION: Point Closed)

4. The next PTFC meeting is scheduled on **25.06.2026 @ 11.30 Hrs** in **Hybrid mode**. The members are requested to submit agenda points for the meeting as early as possible.

Encl-As above

(DEVENDRA V. NAGVENKAR)
PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER

To,

The Members of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee.

- a. Tuticorin Customs Brokers' Association
13A/2H, Briyant Nagar, 3rd Street Main, Tuticorin- 628 008
- b. Tuticorin CFS Association
SF No. 1538/1A1, Plot No. 1, New Sundar Nagar, EB Colony Main Road,
Tuticorin - 628 101.
- c. Tuticorin Ship Agents' Association,
50, Beach Road, Tuticorin-628001
- d. The Traffic Manager, VOC Port trust, Tuticorin
- e. M/s. D.B.G.T. Terminal Limited, Tuticorin.
- f. M/s. Tuticorin International Container Terminal.
- g. Spices Board, World Trade Avenue, VOC New Port Tuticorin-628004
- h. PQS Tuticorin
- i. AEPC, Thiruppur
- j. TEA, Thiruppur

Copy Submitted to:

1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs (Preventive), Trichy.

Copy to:

1. All the Deputy/ Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Tuticorin.
2. The EDI Section- for uploading in the official website.

Annexure-A		
Sl. No.	Name of the officer	Designation
1.	Shri. Devendra Vasudeo Nagvenkar,	Principal Commissioner
2.	Smt. T Usha Devi	Additional Commissioner
3.	Shri Sree Hari Sankar P	Additional Commissioner
4.	Shri Jai Aravindh	Joint Commissioner
5.	Shri Kathirvel P	Deputy Commissioner
6.	Shri L.M. Kalaiarasan	Deputy Commissioner
7.	Shri. S. Sundararajan	Assistant Commissioner
8.	Shri. Joseph K C	Assistant Commissioner
9.	Shri. Joseph Israel	Assistant Commissioner
10.	Shri Sunil Kumar S	Assistant Commissioner
11.	Shri Ravi Kumar T	Assistant Commissioner
12.	Shri. Dilip Kumar	Superintendent

Annexure-B		
Sl. No.	Name of Nominated Members	Name of the Organization
1.	E Joseph John	M/s SCM Garments
2.	Cecil Machado	TCBA
3.	K Sudalai	Subramany Shipping Agencies
4.	Vijaya Selvam	TICT
5.	Subramanian	TICT
6.	J. Pinto Villavarayar	TCBA
7.	J Manikandan	TCBA

8.	V Minesh Raja	EC
9.	C. Karthikaya Prabu	Krishya Logistic LLP
10.	Smt. Pangajavalli P.	PQS Tuticorin
11.	E.M. Arun	DBGT
12.	I.Michael	DBGT
13	J Celestiene Villavarayar	TCFSA
14	Jovita Vikrant Machado	TCBA