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MINUTES OF THE PTFC MEETING ON 29.07.2026

A meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) of the Ahmedabad Customs Commissionerate for the second fortnight of July 2026, was held on 29.07.2026 at 03:30 P.M. in virtual mode on Sangoshthee Platform. The meeting was chaired by Shri Manish Kulhary, Commissioner of Customs, Ahmedabad Customs Commissionerate.

2. The following stakeholders attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name of the Members (Shri / Smt. / Ms.)	Organization
1	Sh. Parag Baraiya	President, Ahmedabad Custom Brokers' Association
2	Sh. Vivek Kunte	Senior Manager, The Thar Dry port/ICD Sanand
3	Sh. Sandip Chudasma	Branch Manager, Hazira DBC Sons Gujarat Pvt. Ltd. (Star, Cosco, Ocean, Hapag Lloyd and Maersk shipping line)
4	Sh. S. K. Dhimaan,	QAO
5	Drug Inspector	CDSCO Abad Airport
6	Sh. Bhavik	Representative of Trade
7	Sh. Mayank Hanani	YML, Hazira
8	Dr. S. P. Singh	Representative of Trade
9	Representative	SGCCI

3. The following Departmental Officers attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name of the Officer (Shri / Smt. / Ms.)	Designation

1.	Sh. Sathianarayanan	Additional Commissioner
2.	Sh. Shree Ram Vishnoi	Additional Commissioner
3.	Sh. Shravan Ram	Additional Commissioner
4.	Sh. Satyaveer Singh	Deputy Commissioner
5.	Sh. Munish Kumar	Deputy Commissioner
6.	Ms. Madhuri Garud	Deputy Commissioner
7.	Sh. Mahesh L Menaria	Deputy Commissioner
8.	Ms. Renuka Chaudhary	Assistant Commissioner
9.	Sh. Niranjana Singh	Assistant Commissioner
10.	Sh. Yogesh Kumar Dave	Assistant Commissioner
11.	Sh. Mahesh Chowdhary	Assistant Commissioner, HQ (Tech/TSK)
12.	Sh. Shambhu Nath Singh	Assistant Commissioner, Hazira
13.	Sh. Bhavesh Kanaya	AAD, DGTS Ahmedabad
14.	Sh. C Sudhakar	Superintendent, TSK, HQ
15.	Sh. Anilkumar Sreedharan	Superintendent, TSK, HQ

4. The Chairman, warmly welcomed all the participants and encouraged the Stakeholders to use this platform for effective grievance redressal of all concerned.

5. The Chair asked Shri Shravan Ram, Additional Commissioner, Customs, Ahmedabad, to take forward the proceedings as per agenda. Shri Shravan Ram informed that in the last PTFC Meeting held on 17th April 2026, only one issue was discussed i.e. the point raised by Sh. Sandip Chudasma of DBC Sons Gujarat Pvt. Ltd. Chair, asked Sh. Sandip Chudasma to spell out the point for the benefit of all. Sh. Sandip Chudasma informed that Online Port clearances for vessels are being given by Mundra Port & Kandla Port and same facility was sought for Hazira Port in Ahmedabad Customs Commissionerate. The Chair sought the views of the Custodian of Adani Hazira Port as it is the Custodian who have to develop the necessary utility for issuance of e-Port Clearance Certificate, by involving all concerned stakeholders. As there was no representative of the custodian M/s. Adani Hazira Port Pvt. Ltd. in the Meeting, Chair asked Shri Shravan Ram ADC to explain about the communication received from the Custodian of Hazira Port. Sh. Shravan Ram ADC stated that the Sh. Parthiv Joshi representing the Custodian has informed over email that their IT team is working to configure the software required for issuance of Online Port Clearance Certificates. And in this regard, they are obtaining inputs from all concerned stakeholders. The Chair asked Sh. Shambhu Nath Singh AC Hazira to pursue the matter with the Custodian and in the next Meeting, the updated status of the matter may be presented preferably by any representative of the Custodian.

Action: AC Customs Hazira to coordinate with Custodian Adani Hazira Port Pvt. Ltd.

6. Thereafter, Chair informed that Commissionerate is in receipt of three points raised by Sh. Hiranmay, Secretary, The Vadodara Customs House Agents Association. Chair enquired whether Sh. Hiranmay is present in the meeting so that he can take up the points, one by one for discussion. As he was not present in the Meeting, Chair asked Sh. Parag Baraiya President, Ahmedabad Custom Brokers' Association whether he is aware of the issue. However, Sh. Parag Baraiya informed that he was not aware but sought the permission of the Chair to present an issue pertaining to limited time provided for removal of goods by the Custodian at Ahmedabad Air Cargo Complex. The Chair agreed with the request and then Sh. Parag Baraiya explained the added burden of demurrage faced by Importers at ACC. The Chair asked Sh. Parag Baraiya to provide the Office with a copy of their representation on the issue so that it can be looked into and explore for a viable solution to the grievance.

Action: Sh. Parag Baraiya President, Ahmedabad Custom Brokers' Association.

7. The Chair asked Sh. Shravan Ram ADC to take up the next point in the agenda i.e. points raised by Sh. Hiranmay, Secretary, The Vadodara Customs House Agents Association.

Sh. Shravan Ram ADC individually explained the three points raised by VCHAA

Pont No. 1. The E-Bond submitted for Advance authorisation or EPCG or any other purpose can be used for One Single License only. we are unable to add multiple licenses to it. How to add more license in the same bond like the Annual Bond.

Pont No. 2. Sometimes Importer requires to add Value in the Bond, which is not possible in case of E-Bond, rather we have to issue New E-Bond for the license, as it was possible in cases of Manual Bond.

Pont No. 3. It seems that there is no procedure for Closure of the Bond or Re-credit after EODC is issued. Kindly provide us solution for the same also.

8. All the three points deals with e-Bond i.e. Single Unified Multi-Purpose Electronic Bond (SEB) called "Ekal Anubandh" and its features which are

broadly governed by CBIC Circular No.4/2025 dated 17.02.2025. Sh. Shravan Ram ADC individually explained that the first two issues are covered by the above Circular however, there implementation is yet to be made effective in the System. In respect of the third point, it was informed that the e-Bonds are being closed after EODCs are verified by the Proper Officer. However, auto re-credit of the Bond amount (after acceptance of EODC) is yet to take place in these e-Bonds. The Chair assured the participants that the matter will be taken up by Commissionerate with ICEGATE and DG (Systems), so that the features mentioned in the above Circular are made effective for ensuring ease of doing business.

Action: HQ Systems Section.

9. As these were the only points received from Stakeholders for today's meeting, Chair asked whether any other participants wish to raise any issue now but none of the participants volunteered with any further points for discussion. As not further points were sponsored, Chair said that we can conclude the PTFC Meeting. He asked the stakeholders to sponsor the points/grievances if any in advance so that a meaningful discussion can be held towards identifying a viable solution to the problems.

10. Sh. Shravan Ram ADC thanked the Chair for the able guidance and the participants for their active role making the meeting a meaningful exercise. It was also informed that the next date of PTFC Meeting will be communicated well in advance. Thus, the PTFC Meeting concluded.

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11. This issues with the approval of the Commissioner of Customs, Ahmedabad.

Shravan Ram
ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER
Ahmedabad Customs

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