Record of Discussions held at SEEPZ-SEZ in the Open House under the Chairmanship of Development Commissioner SEEPZ-SEZ, on 27.10.2015.

Attendance: As per list Attached.

The following issues were discussed:-

1. The representative from Ornamentations (I) Pvt Ltd raised the following issues
   • Export Documents submitted in the morning are not accepted and passed for export by Appraiser till evening at 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Please expedite acceptance and passing of documents for export as soon as documents submitted.
   • MMTC accepts Export Consignment (Parcel) only after 5:30 P.m. even if all documents passed for export are ready and submitted earlier during working time.

The Development Commissioner informed that the matter will be examined.

[Action: Specified Officer SEEPZ SEZ]

   • The unit representative stated that the MMTC does not issue gold less than 1kg. It is necessary that small requirements of less than 1kg should also be issued by MMTC to meet the needs of units.

The Development Commissioner observed that the guidelines for operation of nominated agencies are issued by the Government, these need to be observed.

2. The representative of M/s. Wipro stated that there was a short shipment of laptops in their case, which was noticed only after 2 months from their side. He said the customs have demanded duty in respect of short supply since the unit has acknowledged off the bill receipt of supply while giving out of charge by customs. He requested for waiver of duty in this case.

   After detailed discussion on the subject, the DC clarified that once out of charge is given, any further reporting of short shipment cannot be accepted. The decision taken by the Specified Officer is correct.

3. The representative of Accenture stated that there has been delay in certification of Softex forms and which are pending since February 2015. He further stated that they have given the necessary information to SO. Another representative of Pune region SEZ unit also raised the same issue.

The Development Commissioner said that normally the Softex forms are to be certified within 15 days of submission provided that the required information is made available by the unit.

4. Mr. Asish Jagrawat representing M/s. TCS, a unit in Mihan said that for the loss occurred in unit on account of fire incident, the Additional Commissioner, Central Excise Nagpur, has issued SCN and imposed penalty. The unit has paid the penalty under protest.

The Development Commissioner observed that in respect of SEZ units the jurisdiction for issue of SCN and imposing penalty is only with Development Commissioner and therefore the unit can represent in writing to Development Commissioner enclosing a copy of SCN, so that the matter can be taken up with Specified Officer, Mihan - SEZ.

[Action: Specified Officer Mihan SEZ]
5. The representative of WNS stated that the description of services mentioned in the DG’s approval letter are not matching with the description in the Finance Act and hence units have difficulty in availing A2 certification from the Excise department.

The Development Commissioner said that the unit while applying for approval of services to the UAC, can mention the relevant code number as per the service tax department description also, so that these difficulties may not arise.

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