

### **Minutes of Meeting held on 20.01.2026**

A meeting was held on 20.01.2026 at 02:30 Hours at Kartavya Bhawan-01, New Delhi, under the chairmanship of the Member (Customs) regarding issues & suggestions raised by various Export Promotion Councils & Industry Associations. The list of participants including departmental officers and representatives of the concerned Export Promotion Councils & Industry Associations is attached as Annexure-A.

2. At the outset, the Chair welcomed the representative of the trade associations. The Joint Secretary (Customs) gave a brief introduction regarding the agenda of the meeting. It was informed that Department of Commerce shared a list of issues and difficulties faced by exporters in customs with Department of Revenue. Preliminary consultations were held by CBIC with relevant Directorates/Sections/Wings including other relevant Line Ministries for such issues. The issues have been categorized for further action out of which 88 issues have been identified wherein action has already been taken by CBIC. Out of 88 issues, 27 were discussed in the meeting held on 14.01.2026. Rest 61 issues were taken up for the meeting held on 20.01.2026

3. During the meeting, action taken by CBIC in respect of those 61 issues was explained and feedback given by the concerned Export Promotion Councils & Industry Associations was also discussed. During the meeting, it was informed that CHEMEXCIL vide mail dated 20.01.2026 has submitted that *"as per the comments received from the concerned departments in the EPC sheet, the issues are already resolved and positioned."* Hence, 22 issues pertaining to CHEMEXCIL were decided to be treated as 'Resolved'. Further based upon feedback and deliberations held during the meeting, 11 more issues were decided to be treated as 'Resolved' whereas 16 issues were decided to be treated as 'Not Resolved'. In respect of 05 issues, the concerned EPCs sought time for confirmation of action taken with the trade, hence those 05 issues were decided to be treated as 'Pending for confirmation'. Further, in respect of 7 issues, no representative of the concerned EPCs namely IOPEPC and PDEXCIL was present and hence the said issues were deferred. Details of such 61 issues along with deliberations and decisions are enclosed as Annexure-B.

4. During the course of meeting, 10 additional issues were also raised by the stakeholders which are to be examined by CBIC for appropriate action. Details of these issues are enclosed as Annexure-C.

5. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Chair.

**List of Participants**

1. Shri Akhil Kumar Khatri, Chief Commissioner, DIC
2. Shri Alok Gupta, Pr. ADG, DG Systems
3. Shri Ranjan Khanna, Pr. ADG, DGEP
4. Shri Deepak Kumar, ADG, DG Systems
5. Ms Harbinder K. Prasad, ADG, DG Systems
6. Shri Anupam Prakash, Joint Secretary (Customs)
7. Captain Kapil Chaudhary, Joint Secretary, Drawback
8. Shri Manish Mani Tiwari, Commissioner, Cus & EP
9. Ms Anurima Sharma, Director (Customs)
10. Shri Navneet Kaushal, Additional Director, Icegate DG Systems
11. Shri Yogesh Loke, Additional Director, DGARM (NCTC-Cargo)
12. Shri Randheep Thakur, Joint Director, DGFT
13. Ms Himani Dua, Joint Director, DG Systems (ICES)
14. Ms. Tanvi Soni, OSD, TRU
15. Shri Neeraj Goyal, OSD, Cus-III, Customs Policy Wing, CBIC.
16. Shri P.T. Srinath, Director Policy, FIEO
17. Shri Shomit Gupta, Senior Manager, ESCEPC (Electronics & Computer Software EPC)
18. Shri Shivam Mehta, PHDCCI
19. Ms. Babeeta Sharma, Director, PHDCCI
20. Shri Nanda Mishra, Joint Secretary, PHDCCI
21. Shri Indra Vikram Singh, AEPC (Apparel Export Promotion Council)
22. Ms Ira Khanna, Director, FICCI
23. Ms Anshul Aggarwal, FICCI
24. Shri K.K. Duggal, Sr. Director, GJEPC (Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council)
25. Ms. Suruchi Khindria, Dy. Director, GJEPC (Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council)
26. Ms. Archana Gautam, AD, GJEPC (Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council)
27. Shri Tanu Aggarwal, Dy.DG, Export Promotion Council for EOUs and SEZ (EPCES)
28. Shri Tarun Ray, Joint Director, Sports Goods & Toys Export Promotion Council (SGEPC)
29. Shri Sanjeev Kr. Sharma, Executive Director, ISEPC,
30. Shri Rakesh Chaudhary, Regional Director, TEXPROCIL