

Minutes of the meeting of Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) for consideration of proposals for setting up of ICDs/CFSs held under the Chairmanship of Shri M. Prasad, Additional Secretary (Infrastructure), Department of Commerce on 7th February, 2012

Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) met on 7.2.2012 in Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi, with Shri M. Prasad, Additional Secretary, DoC in Chair, for consideration of proposals for setting up Inland Container Depots (ICDs) / Container Freight Stations (CFSs) in India. Following officials participated in the meeting :

1. Shri Ravi Capoor, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce
2. Shri H.D. Gujarati, Executive Director (TT-S), M/o Railways, New Delhi
3. Shri Sanjeet Singh, Director, Department of Commerce
4. Shri Srinivasa Naik, Director, Ministry of Shipping
5. Shri R P Singh, Director, CBEC, Department of Revenue
6. Shri G.S.Sinha, OSD (Customs), CBEC, Department of Revenue
7. Shri S.G. Sood, Under Secretary, Department of Commerce.
8. Shri A.K.Singh, Section Officer, Department of Commerce

At the outset, Shri Ravi Capoor, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce informed the Members of IMC that M/s Grant Thornton Advisory Private Ltd., L 41, Connaught Circus, New Delhi-110001 has been assigned the “Comprehensive study on the present status of Inland Container Depots (ICDs) / Container Freight Stations (CFSs), their capacity and bottlenecks in the country” by the Department of Commerce and they will submit their report within a period of 2-3 months. Members of IMC were, therefore, requested to provide all the logistics support / assistance to the study team. for carrying out the above study.

Thereafter, the agenda for the meeting was taken up for decision.

I: DEFERRED PROPOSALS OF IMC MEETING held on 20.01.2012

1. **Setting up of a CFS at Village Khopta, Uran Taluka, Raigad District, Maharashtra by TransIndia Logistics Park Private Limited. (File No.16/18/2011-Infra 1)**

The proposal was approved.

2. **Setting up an ICD at Village Panchi Gujuran , District Sonapat, Haryana by BoxTrans Logistics Services (India) Pvt. Ltd. (File No.16/40/2011-Infra1)**

It was noted that CBEC in their comments dated 6.2.12 has recommended the proposal. at district Sonapat, Haryana by BoxTrans Logistics Services (India) Pvt. Ltd. on the ground that the same appears viable. However, during the deliberations, It was noted that one more proposal ((Agenda No. 11) for setting up of ICD at Rai (Sonapat), Haryana by CONCOR is being considered in this meeting which has not been recommended by the CBEC on the ground that the “same appears to be unviable”. CBEC in their comments have also recommended withdrawal of permission accorded to to ICD, Kundali run by CWC.

Chairman, IMC pointed out that preferring one ICD over the other at the nearby location should be based on strong footing. Representative of DOR was therefore, advised to revisit the issue and assess the projected traffic volume vis-à-vis existing ones and submit the report so that a decision on the proposals for setting up ICDs/CFSs can be taken up in holistic manner. It was also decided that DC, SEZ, Noida’s report may be obtained in both the cases.

Accordingly, both the proposals at S. No. 2 and 11 of the agenda were deferred for the next meeting.

3. Setting up a CFS at Nandiyambakkam Village, Minjur Panchayat, Ponneri Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Chennai by NDR Infrastructure Private Limited. (File No.16/35/2011-Infra1)

It was noted that comments of M/o Shipping /Port Authority have not been received. The company has also not submitted CLU & Non-acquisition certificate.

Accordingly, the proposal was deferred

4. Setting up a CFS at Kalamassery, Kochi, Kerala by M/s Periyar Chemicals Ltd. Kerala. (No.16/35/2011-Infra1)

It was decided that the land documents submitted by the company be examined on the file. Accordingly, the proposal was deferred.

5. Setting up a Rail Linked CFS at Kathivakkam Village, Saidapettaluka, North of Chennai by Kothari Industrial Corporation Limited (Erstwhile Kothari Madras Limited), Chennai. No.16/39/2011-Infra1

CBEC and M/o Shipping have recommended the proposal. However, M/o Railways have informed that the company is yet to get ‘in-principle approval’ for setting up a rail based container terminal at the above location,.

Accordingly, the proposal was deferred.

6. Setting up of a CFS at Padeghar, Distt. Raigad, Taluk Pannel, N.H. 4B, Maharashtra by M/s JWR Logistics Pvt. Ltd. No.16/31/2011-Infra1

It was noted that as decided during the IMC meeting held on 20.1.12, a visit to CFSs operating in and around JNPT Port by the senior officials of Deptt. of Commerce, M/o Shipping and M/o Railways is yet to take place to have first hand information on prevailing congestion. Chairman, IMC advised the officials to undertake the visit early so that decision could be taken.

It was also noted that CLU from the company is still awaited. Accordingly, the proposal was deferred.

7. Proposal of M/S Palrecha Infrastructure & Developers, Bangalore for setting up of a ICD at Attible, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore (F.No. 16/4/2011-Infra-1)

It was noted by the IMC that the land is not in the name of the company. IMC decided to issue in-principle approval to the company for setting up of a ICD at Attible, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore subject to the condition that the above approval shall stand cancelled in case the company fails to submit requisite land documents within a period of 90 days.

8. Setting up of a CFS at Hosur, in Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu by Pearl Ports and Warehousing Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore (F.No. 16/5/2011-Infra-1)

Representative of CBEC have sought some more time to decide the issue of concerned jurisdictional Customs/Central Excise Commissionerate of the company. CBEC was advised to resolve the issue before the next IMC meeting.

The proposal was accordingly deferred.

9. Setting up of a CFS at Vallarpadam, Cochin, Kerala by M/s MIV Logistics Private Limited (F.No. 16/27/2011-Infra-1)

The proposal was approved.

10. Setting up ICD at Pali, Rewari, Haryana by Kribhco Infrastructure Limited, Noida-16/29/2010-Infra 1

Representative of DOR informed IMC citing a report from the Commissioner, Gurgaon stated that there are already three functional ICDs namely at Garhi Harsaru, Rewari & Patli and the volume of import & export at these ICDs is far below their actual capacity. The total movement of import & export during the year 2010-11 was only 9151 containers. Therefore, setting up of another ICD at Pali, Rewari will not be a worthwhile proposition.

However, representative of the company contested the traffic volume details of CBEC and assured greater traffic containerised movement, in case their proposal is approved.

Representative of DOR was therefore advised to revisit the issue and submit a report to the IMC. Accordingly the proposal was deferred.

11. Setting up of ICD at Rai (Sonapat), Haryana by CONCOR (F.No. 16/16/2010-Infra-1)

As per the decision taken against item No. 2 above. It was also noted that this case had been considered by the IMC on 21.10.2010 wherein CONCOR had been advised to consider setting up an ICD instead of a CFS at Rai and to submit an amended application along with the relevant documents.

Change of name of the Company

12. Change of name from Maersk India Private Limited to APM Terminals India Private Limited. (F.No.16/11/2007-Infra-1)

The proposal was approved.

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13. Proposal to set up separate ICD/CFS exclusively for handling hazardous cargo- implications of the Circular dated 10.01.2011- F.No.16/8/2011-Infra 1

Representative of CBEC informed the IMC that they have issued Circular dated 10.1.2012 under 'Handling of Cargo Customs Area Regulations 2009'. The Regulation is framed under Section 141(2) of the Customs Act, 1962 which provides for manner of receipt, storage, delivery and dispatch of imported or export goods in Customs area and is applicable to all custodians like ports, airports, ICDs/CFSs. Moreover the issue of distance between of hazardous cargo and general cargo and also between administrative block and hazardous cargo in Customs area is being considered by NDMA under the Ministry of Environment & Forests in totality.

It was decided that in future, such issues affecting the basic functioning of ICDs/CFSs, should be brought to the notice of IMC

II: DEFFERED PROPOSALS OF IMC MEETING DATED 21.10.2010

14. Proposal of Kesar Terminals and Infrastructure Limited, Mumbai for setting up of a CFS at Pipavav Port, Gujarat File No. 16/26/2011-Infra 1

The proposal was approved.

Concluding the meeting, the Chairman decided to convene the next Meeting of IMC at 3.00 PM on 14th March, 2012.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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No.16/06/2011-Infra1
Government of India
Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Department of Commerce
Infrastructure Division

Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated, the 9th February 2012

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of IMC Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Shri M. Prasad, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce for consideration of proposals for setting up of ICDs/CFSS and others on 07.02.2012 in Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject captioned above and to enclose a copy of Minutes of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) meeting held on 07.02.2012 under the Chairmanship of Shri M. Prasad, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce for perusal and necessary action.

2. Next IMC Meeting will be held on 14th March 2012 at 3 PM in Conference Room No. 141, Department of Commerce, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi. You are kindly requested to attend the meeting.

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