

Minutes of the meeting of Inter Ministries 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 18th October, 2012

Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) met on 18.10.12 in Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi, with Shri M. Prasad, Additional Secretary, DoC in Chair, for consideration of proposals for setting up of Inland Containers Depots(ICDs)/Container Freight Stations (CFSs) in India. Following officials participated in the meeting:-

1. Shri J.K. Dadoo, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce
2. Shri H.D.Gujrati, Director (TTS), M/o Railways, New Delhi
3. Shri Srinivasa Naik, Director, M/o Shipping
4. Shri G.S.Sinha, OSD, CBEC
5. Shri Santosh Kumar, Deputy Secretary, Department of Commerce
6. Shri M.V. Vasudevan, Under Secretary, CBEC
7. Shri Ram Lakhan, Under Secretary, Department of Commerce
8. Shri S. S. Sharma, Section Officer, Department of Commerce

I : RATIFICATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE IMC MEETING HELD ON 18.5.2012

IMC ratified the minutes of IMC Meeting held on 18.5.2012.

II: OLD CASES

1. Setting up of Contaner Freight Station at Manali, Vaikadu Village, Chennai, Tamilnadu by Sudharsan Logistics Pvt. Ltd. (File No. 16/01/2011-Infra 1):

Opinion of the special Tahsildar (L.A), Chennai was examined wherein he has mentioned that the deed of assignment of land issued by the District revenue officer at Thiruvellor, itself is enough and no separate registration is required. Sudharsan logistics has also submitted opinion of an Advocate which states that land being assigned by the Govt. of Tamil Nadu, it need not be registered again in the name of the Company.

The case was considered in the meeting. Company Representative brought out the Fact that their 5.24 acres land was acquired by the State Government and Govt. has given them 4.82 acres of alternative land in lieu of the acquired land. Therefore, there is no doubt on landholding by the Company and Land has been assigned for the setting up of ICD/CFS only failing which land will go back to the State.

The representative of CBEC expressed some reservations regarding the economic feasibility and posting of staff as they have shortage of staff. The company representative stated that potential business to be generated by the Ennore Port, L & T Port and Chennai Port combined is sufficient to justify setting up of another CFS. After discussion, the IMC was of the view that the economic feasibility of the ICD/CFS should be best left to the judgment of the

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Developer/promoter, since after all he is putting in his money. Decision to set up ICD/CFS has to be left to the market forces. Regarding shortage of staff, the IMC requested CBEC to address the issue separately, as it imparts all ICD/CFS (whether feasible or non-feasible).

After detailed deliberations, the Committee approved the project.

2. Setting up of ICD at Samalkha, Panipat, Haryana by India Infrastructure and Logistics Pvt. Ltd. (File No. 16/25/2008-Infra 1):

The IMC after considering the views of the Company, decided to approve the project provided the company addresses the issue of raising the High Tension Wire for the safety and security of all.

3. Setting up of ICD at Village Janoli and Bhagola, Tehsil Palwal, Distt. Faridabad Haryana, by Hind Terminal Pvt. Ltd.(File No. 16/25/2009)

The representative of CBEC has opined that the proposal is not a viable one as the road connecting the proposed ICD is one kilometer Kachcha and two more ICDs are in and around the site. The representative of the company stated that the capacity of the ICD will be 12720 TEUs per month specially for perishable imports and reefer containers. He has also submitted the map whereby 24 metres road has been approved by the Department of Town & Country Planning, Haryana Government. The IMC approved the project keeping in view that it is a rail-linked ICD project and has tremendous trade potential, including imports and exports. The IMC also felt that issues of infrastructure constraints (such as approach road) should be addressed separately rather than by blocking the setting up of ICD/CFS. A letter could also go from Chairman IMC to concerned authorities to remove the infrastructure bottlenecks.

4. Setting up of ICD at Modi Nagar U.P. by Kribhco Infrastructure Ltd.(File No. 16/18/2010-Infra 1)

The comments of the CBEC were not received. The Company was advised to take up the matter with them. The CBEC was also advised to expedite the matter. It was decided that after receipts of comments from CBEC, the matter was deferred for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

5. Cancelling the 'in principle' approval issued to M/s Palrecha Infrastructure and Developers on 22.2.2012 in connection with setting up of an ICD at Attible, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore. (F.No. 16/4/2011-Infra I)

The representative of the company informed that they have received land allotment letter from Govt. of Karnataka and it may take some more time to get all the relevant documents from the State Govt.

The IMC decided to give `in principle` extension for three months and asked the company to expedite the matter. It will be taken on 23rd November 2012.

III : Deferred Proposals of IMC Meeting dated 18.5.2012

6. Setting up of ICD at Kherda Distt. Vadodara, Gujarat by The Thar Dry Port (a Unit of Hasti Petro Chemicals)(File No.16/16/2011-Infra 1)

Since the comments from M/o Railways and M/o Shipping were not received, it was decided to defer the proposal for next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

7. Setting up of CFS at Survey No. 178/5, Village Chudwa, & Survey No. 54, Village Mithirohar, Gandhidham- Kutch, Gujrat by M/s Fair Deal Freight Solutions Ltd., Mumbai. (File No.16/01/2012-Infra 1)

Since the comments from CBEC and M/o Shipping were not received, they have been asked to expedite the matter. It was decided to defer the proposal for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

8.Setting up of ICD at Kacharakanahalli Village,Jadigenahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore by Sical Multimodal and Rail Transport Ltd.(File No. 16/07/2012-Infra 1)

As all members were in favor of the proposal and the viability issue has been left to the Company, the IMC decided to approve the proposal.

9. Setting up of CFS at Haldia Port (West Bengal) by LCL Logistix (India) Pvt. Ltd.(File No. 16/05/2012-Infra 1)

Since the comments were received from CBEC, M/o Railway and M/o Shipping and their representatives have no objection, it was decided to approve the proposal.

10. Setting up of ICD at Butibori Industrial Estate by M/s Glocal ICD Pvt. Ltd.(File No.16/18/2012-Infra 1)

The representative of CBEC raised the issue of viability and staff constraint. Ministry of Shipping have also not forwarded their comments. It was decided to defer the proposal for the next meeting and ask the Development Commissioner, MIHAN SEZ to submit a report clarifying the land issue related to registration of the land. To be taken up on 23rd November 2012.

11. Setting up of CFS at Nandiyambakkam Village, Minjur Panchayat, Ponneri Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Chennai by NDR Infrastructure Private Limited (File No.16/35/2011-Infra -1)

It was noticed that the company has applied for railway siding as suggested by Chennai Port Trust but does not have approval from Railways. The Company was advised to follow up the matter with M/o Railways. M/o Railways was asked to expedite their comments. The proposal was deferred for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

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IV: New Cases

12. Setting up of CFS at Annuppampatty Village, Chennai by Sical Multimodel and Rail Transport Ltd.(File No.16/08/2012-Infra 1)

The case was discussed and the company was asked to follow up the matter with local Commissioner, Customs for their comment as it is a rail-linked export project and is expected to have a turnover of approx. 4000 TEUs per month. Department of Commerce was asked to get the comments from Development Commissioner, Chennai SEZ. The proposal was deferred for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

13. Setting up of ICD at Village Ibrahimpur, Junaidpur urf Maujpur, Pargana and Tehsil-Khurja Distt. Buland Shahar, U.P by Arshiya Industrial and Distribution Hub Limited(Erstwhile Arshiya Northern Domestic Distripark Ltd.)

The case was discussed. The representative of Railways has made some reservations on the issue. The company was asked to take up the matter with M/o Railways and after getting clearance from them, the proposal can be discussed in the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

14. Setting up of CFS at Village Veshvi, Post Dighore, Distt. Raigad by E.F.C. Logistics India Pvt. Ltd.(16/14/2012-Infra 1)

Comments from M/o Shipping are awaited. Moreover, the representative of the company was not present to present the case; it was decided to defer the proposal for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

15. Setting up of CFS at Visakhapatnam Port, Visakhapatnam by Continental Ware Housing Corporation Ltd.(File No. 16/17/2012-Infra 1)

The case was discussed and the representative of CBEC stated that the project is not viable and there are staff constraints. However, the representatives of Shipping and Railways were of the view that this project is important as there are very few CFSs in that area. CBEC was advised to reconsider the proposal in light of the comments of the other IMC members. Department of Commerce was asked to get the report from the Development Commissioner, Vizag. Hence, the proposal was deferred for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

16. Setting up of ICD at Hindaun City (Rajasthan) by Kribhco Infrastructure Ltd.(File No.16/12/2012-Infra 1)

The case was discussed and approved by IMC.

17. Setting up of ICD at Tarapur, Thane Distt., Maharashtra by Vaishno Container Terminal(File No. 16/10/2012-Infra 1)

The proposal has been approved by CBEC on the ground that the proposed ICD to have a separate entry and exit. Also, M/o Railways stated that there is no commitment for handling

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goods at Boisar Railway Station. Since the comments of M/o Shipping are awaited, it was decided to defer the proposal for the next meeting on 23rd November 2012.

18. Setting up of ICD at Powarkheda, Hoshangabad Distt., M.P. by Kesar Multimodel Logistics Ltd.(File No.16/16/2012-Infra 1)

The representative of the company informed that it is a PPP project and they have an agreement with Govt. of Madhya Pradesh through M.P. State Agri Marketing Board. In case of Concession Agreement and license agreement on PPP basis, there is no involvement of transfer of land. Hence, there is no need for registration from the sub-registrar office. The concessional agreement with the M.P. Government was examined and found to be for 33 years. Ministry of Railways agreed to the PFT once the company applies after paying a non-refundable fee of Rs. 1 crore. CBEC supports the proposal. Therefore, IMC decided to give an 'in-principle' approval so that the Railway issue is resolved.

The representatives of M/o Railway and M/o Shipping expressed their inability to continue the meeting as they had to attend some Parliamentary meeting. The Chairman, therefore, decided to consider the remaining proposals (S.No. 19 to 45) in the meeting scheduled on 31.10.12 from 11:30 A.M. onwards.
