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 Madhusudan Prasad, Additional Secretary (Infrastructure), Department of Commerce on 27th August, 2013

Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) met on 27.08.2013 in Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi, with Shri Madhusudan Prasad, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce in Chair, for consideration of proposals for setting up of Inland Container 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 A.K. Behera, Executive Director (TTS), M/o Railways, New Delhi
3. Shri Anurag Prasad, Director, Department of Commerce
4. Shri Raj Kumar, Under Secretary, Ministry of Shipping
5. Shri M.V. Vasudevan, Under Secretary, CBEC
6. Shri M.S. Banerjee, Under Secretary, Department of Commerce
7. Shri N. Jeyavenkatesan, M/o Railways
8. Shri S. S. Sharma, Section Officer, Department of Commerce

I : RATIFICATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE IMC MEETING HELD ON 06.06.2013

IMC ratified the minutes of IMC Meeting held on 06.06.2013

II. PROPOSALS APPROVED/IN-PRINCIPLE APPROVED IN THE LAST IMC MEETING HELD ON 06.06.2013 BUT PENDING FOR COMPLIANCE OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS

1. Setting up of ICD at Jaipur, Rajasthan by Hasti Petro-Chemicals and Shipping Ltd. (F. No. 16/21/2012-Infra 1)

IMC decided to extend the ‘in-principle’ approval for 3 months.

2. Setting up of Rail-linked ICD/CFS at Kashipur US Nagar by M/s. Kashipur Infrastructure and Freight Terminal Pvt. Ltd. (F. No.16/18/2012-Infra-I)

IMC decided to approve the issue of LOI.

3. Setting up Container Freight Station (CFS) for Seal verification of Export Container by Chennai Port Trust. (F. No.16/14/2013-Infra-I)

AS(MP) to write DO letter to Chairperson CBEC, with a copy to Chennai Port Trust to expedite furnishing of comments. Chairman, Chennai Port Trust to also take up the matter with jurisdictional Commissioner of Customs at Chennai. Deferred.
III. DEFERRED PROPOSALS OF THE LAST IMC MEETING HELD ON 06.06.2013

4. Setting up of Rail linked ICD at Patna Near Bihta Railway Station, Patna, Bihar by Pristine Magadh Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi. (F. No. 16/6/2013-Infra 1)

IMC approved issue of LOI subject to concurrence of CBEC within a week’s time.

5. Setting up of a CFS on Ennore Express High Road at Tiruvottiyur, Chennai by STP Services Private Limited. (F.No.16/7/2013-Infra 1)

IMC approved the issue of LOI.

6. Setting up of Container Freight Station on lease land in Plot No. 7 & 8 at EXIM Park area at Visakhapatnam by APSWC. (F. No. 16/16/2013-Infra 1)

A copy of a letter dated 26th August, 2013 from Chairman, Visakhapatnam Port Trust to Secretary, Ministry of Shipping was produced by the applicant during the meeting. IMC directed the applicant APSWC to pay the required amount to Visakhapatnam Port Trust in order to obtain the change of land use. Thereafter it may produce the registered lease deed before the IMC for consideration in the next meeting.

7. Problems at JNPT while commissioning new CFS projects in and around JNPT (F. No. 16/8/2013-Infra 1)

IMC directed Ministry of Shipping to expedite furnishing of their comments.

IV. EXTENSION OF LOI CASES

8. Extension of LOI of M/s. RR Distriparks Pvt. Ltd. for setting up a CFS at Vichur Village, Chennai (3rd extension) (F. No. 16/28/2007-Infra 1)

IMC directed the applicant to furnish complete land details. Further, on the request of the applicant, a time period of 4 months was granted to the applicant to achieve financial closure failing which the existing LOI is liable to be terminated. The applicant was also advised to complete the project within 12 months.

9. Extension of LOI of M/s. Sanjvik Terminals Pvt. Ltd. for setting up an ICD at Bawal, District Rewari, Haryana (4th extension) (F. No. 16/21/2008-Infra 1)

IMC granted extension for 6 months.
10. Extension of LOI of M/s. Fastlane Distriparks & Logistics Ltd. for setting up a CFS at Dighode Village, Near JN Port, Navi Mumbai, Distt Raigad, Maharashtra (5th extension) (F. No. 16/06/2007-Infra 1)

Deferred. To be considered by IMC only after the decision of Hon’ble High Court of Mumbai.

11. Extension of LOI of M/s. Boxtrans Logistics (India) Pvt. Ltd. for setting up the Rail linked ICD at Village Panchi Gujaran, adjoining to Bodhwal Majri Railway Station, District Sonepat, Haryana (1st extension) (F. No. 16/40/2011-Infra 1)

IMC approved extension of LOI for 3 months.

12. Extension of LOI of M/s. GSEC Logistics Ltd. for setting up the ICD at Bangrod, Distt. Ratlam, M.P. (2nd extension) (F. No. 16/11/2009-Infra 1)

IMC directed the applicant to submit complete land documents. The action plan for submission of application for PFT to Railways may also be intimated. Thereafter, IMC will consider the project.

13. Extension of LOI of M/s. Calyx Container Terminal Pvt. Ltd. for setting up a CFS at Puzha Village, Thiruvalloor, Chennai (F. No. 16/12/2009-Infra 1)

IMC decided that AS (MP) may write a D.O. letter to Chairperson, CBEC to approve notification on staff sharing basis. The applicant informed that staff sharing is already being done in several CFSs. IMC advised the applicant to furnish a note on the details of such CFSs. IMC approved extension of LOI for 6 months as applied.

14. Extension of ‘in-principle approval’ granted to The Thar Dry Port (A unit of Hasti Petrochemicals Ltd.) for setting up an ICD at Kherda, Distt. Vadodara, Gujarat (F. No. 16/16/2011-Infra 1)

IMC approved extension of ‘In-principle’ approval for further 3 months.

V. NEW PROPOSALS

15. Setting up a CFS at Gujarat Pipavav Port, Ucchaliya, Gujarat by APM Terminals India Pvt. Ltd. (F. No. 16/22/2013-Infra 1)

IMC directed the applicant to pursue with Customs authorities for comments. Deferred.

16. Setting up of a rail-linked ICD at Sahnewal, District Ludhiana, Punjab by Innovative B2B Logistics Solutions Ltd. (F. No. 16/21/2013-Infra 1)

IMC directed the applicant to pursue with Customs authorities for comments. Deferred.

17. Setting up a CFS at Village Koproli, Uran Taluka, Dist. Raigad, Maharashtra by Nhava Sheva Logistics Pvt. Ltd. (F. No. 16/24/2013-Infra 1)
None attended. Deferred.

18. Request from Arvind V. Joshi & Co. for conversion of their CFS situated at Mithirohar village, Gujarat into an ICD (F. No. 16/01/2006-Infra 1)

IMC directed the applicant to pursue with Customs authorities for comments. Deferred.

**ADDITIONAL ITEM**

With the permission of Chair, M/s. Allcargo Logistics Ltd brought up their existing request for extension of LOI. In the IMC meeting dated 6.6.2013, it was recorded in the minutes that “extension of LOI will be granted after receiving the final order of Hon’ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh. Company representative was asked to submit the final Order of High Court of Andhra Pradesh and to clarify if the company has submitted application to get rail siding”.

On being informed by the applicant that it is ready to pay the penalty and is in receipt of a letter from APIIC seeking its plan of action for implementing the proposal, IMC advised the applicant to consider paying the penalty at an early date and request the counsel of APIIC to attend the next hearing in the Hon’ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh so as to ensure a quick disposal of the pending Writ petition. Thereafter, the matter may be placed before IMC for consideration after the Hon’ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh has passed final orders.