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**Minutes of the 13th Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) meeting
held on 30.09.2025**

The Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) was constituted vide Circular dated 07.01.2022. The Thirteenth Meeting of the PTFC was held on 30th September, 2025 in hybrid mode. Smt. P. Vinitha Sekhar, Commissioner of Customs, Mangaluru, chaired the PTFC meeting. The following officers/members attended the meeting:

Sl. No.	Name of the Officer/ Members Shri/Smt./Ms.	Designation/ Department/ Organization
1	Biju Thomas	Additional Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
2	Harikrishnan D.	Joint Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
3	Madhusoodhana S. Bhat	Assistant Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
4	Shobha Peres Bhatt	Assistant Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
5	A. Haridas	Assistant Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
6	Rameshchandra M.	Assistant Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
7	Aravinda Raja	Assistant Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru
8	Santhosh Kumar K.	Superintendent of Customs, Docks
9	Shankar Babu Giddi	Superintendent of Customs, Custom House
10	Rahul Shukla	Superintendent of Customs, Export Assessment
11	Vikas	Appraiser, Import
12	Sunil Kumar	Superintendent of Customs, Technical
13	Anil Kumar Sain	Superintendent of Customs, Audit
14	Ankit Dhulya	Inspector, Import Assessment
15	Vishnu Divakar	Inspector, Technical
16	Philip C. C.	President, CHA Association
17	Prashant C.G.	Manager, Interocean Shipping Pvt. Ltd
18	Vinod Kumar	AGM, JM BAXI
19	Krishna Reddy	Adani Power Limited
20	Nikul Polara	JSW Mangalore Container Terminal Pvt. Ltd.
21	Devi Prasad	Cargo Links

2. The meeting commenced with the welcome to the members/participants by Smt. P. Vinitha Sekhar, Commissioner of Customs, Mangaluru.

3. The Assistant Commissioner (Technical) read out the agenda point raised by the Mangalore Custom House Agents Association, in which a request was made for the conduct of the G-card examination and for the discontinuation of the 'minus' marking system, in line with the notification already issued by the Principal Commissioner, Mumbai, regarding the G-card examination.
4. In this regard, the Additional Commissioner, Customs Commissionerate, Mangaluru, informed the members that the issue has already been referred to the Chief Commissioner's Office, and a decision is expected during the upcoming CCFC meeting. He assured that once a decision is made, it will be promptly shared with the Association. Further, the scheduling of the examination will be planned to allow adequate preparation time for interested candidates.
5. Regarding the proposal to remove negative marking in the exam, it was noted that this matter requires careful consideration, as eliminating negative marking could lead to the selection of less competent candidates. The Chairperson highlighted the important role of Customs Brokers, especially in the current era of self-assessment, and stressed the importance of having candidates who are well-versed in relevant rules and regulations to ensure smooth trade facilitation.
6. Upon being enquired about other issues faced by the trade, Shri Prashant C.G., Secretary of the Steamer Agents Association, raised an issue previously discussed during the last PTFC meeting, specifically, the non-reflection of cargo details on ICEGATE portal following the filing of SDM.
7. In response, the Chairperson informed that the Association's representation dated 25.08.2025, along with the list of concerns, had been forwarded to the Additional/Joint Director, DG Systems and Data Management, CBIC, New Delhi on 29.08.2025 for appropriate action. A follow-up reminder was also sent on 26.09.2025.
8. These minutes are issued with the approval of the Chairperson.

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To,

1. All the Members of PTFC.
2. Others as per mailing list.
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