

Record discussion of the review meeting on PCS & National Logistics Portal (NLP) under the Chairmanship of Chairman, IPA with Port Chairmen (thru Video conference) and Stakeholders

Venue: MbPT Conference Room

Date: 23rd Jan 2020

List of attendees is at Annexure-I

Chairman, IPA welcomed all participants and briefed about the need and objective of National Logistics Portal. After the introduction, MD, IPA requested all the member of stakeholders for active participation for total digitisation in maritime industry.

ED, IPA brief about digitisation and requested CAO to brief the status of implementation of PCS 1 x as per agenda circulated.

During the deliberations in review meeting, following were discussed/ decided:

- i. CAO, IPA briefed the participants on the status of PCS 1x and the various initiatives taken for 'Ease of Doing Business' and adoption across trade. All associations were requested to encourage and urge their members to come onboard and adopt PCS 1x.
- ii. Participants were requested to indicate any other relevant trade association that can be included for future meeting. Members of various associations were requested to come up with recommendations for constant improvements in the PCS 1x during the life-cycle of the system.
- iii. During the power point presentation, CAO, IPA informed that Immigration and Tank Farm Operator are yet to be onboarded. Regarding, Tank Farms will be onboarded as per requirement of operators at Kandla.

Regarding onboarding of Immigration, Capt Ram of MANSA stated that even-though facility to Immigration will be provided, it needs to be clarified that Immigration will accept and provide required clearance digitally on line.

Special Secretary (Logistic) mentioned that IPA to prepare the proposal to be submitted to Immigration. If required, SS(L) will intervene.

- iv. SS(L) mentioned that PCS1x needs to do away standardisation requirement. Each Port to be treated as a Customer and customisation as per local requirement to be provided.
- v. CAO, IPA informed that DGFT has agreed to exchange I/E code requirement of PCS. He further stated that DGFT also keen in integration other solution implemented for certification. To proceed further they requested to sign the MoU for sharing the

information. SS(L) advised that this will not be required. In this connection, IPA to present a note for required details from DGFT for integration

- vi. Regarding eKYC, Mr Vivek Kele informed that product for eKYC will be ready by 1st April 2020
- vii. It was informed that Non-Major Ports of IPPTA namely Krishnapatanam, Gangavaram, Karikal yet to onboard PCS1x. In this connection, Shri Vivek kele of FILA stated that they will take up with IPPTA members. IPA will communicate with FILA for onboarding of Krishnapatanam, Gangavaram, Karikal Ports.
- viii. SS(L) advised IPA that PCS1x joining will be free for a given period and post that hefty sum needs to be charged. This will ensure that stakeholders will start joining immediately. He further stated that PCS 1x needs to be focus on the service provider instead of focusing on the onboarding of additional stakeholders.
- ix. KYC data from Pvt Custodian: It was informed that availability of user details from the private custodians will help to onboard PCS1x quickly. It was decided that FILA will take up with the Private Custodians for getting the user details and IPA will share the format in which data is required.
- x. It was informed that MbPT has made API integration LIVE for 10 messages followed by JNPT . SS(L) stated that MbPT and JNPT shall complete API integration for all messages by Feb 2020 end .
- xi. Members present in meeting expressed that IPA should advertise in media for calling service providers to Latch ON with PCS1x/NLP. FILA will facilitate the Latch On service providers required for the trade.
- xii. Ports under EBS integration: It was informed that EBS integration will be GoLive as per follows targets:
 - o *1st phase by 6th April 2020*
 - o *2nd phase by 1st July 2020.*
- xiii. SS(L) mentioned that Ports themselves are not ready for API integration then there is no point for pushing Customs for the API integration. In this connection, it was informed that there is regular flow of messages from ports side therefore there is no delay in receipt of message at customs end.
- xiv. It was decided that FILA to issue trade notice with reference to mandatory orders for usage of eINV-ePay-eDO as per SoP issued by Ministry of Shipping. M/s Portall will

create Helpdesk for implementation of eInv-ePay-eDO . List of Nodal officer to be displayed on PCS1x website.

- xv. Transport Module: It was informed that the Transport Module is live on PCS1x from June 2019. After deliberation with Ports officials under UAT and subsequent discussions/study on the processes at JNPT & MBPT, changes have been made in the existing application and made ONLINE again. JNPT, MBPT & NMPT have been requested to implement the same. In this connection, Dy Director, NMPT has requested that team of M/s Portal may be sent to their port for integration of RFID. Similarly, MbPT also stated that they are working the modified version of Transport module. SS(L) mentioned that if present module don't suffice requirement of Ports, Latch On service provider to be called in for fulfilling requirement
- xvi. Shri. Shirish Shah, COO, M/s Portal gave a power point presentation on NLP including Concept of NLP . During the deliberations, it was decided that SS(L) will provide list of nodal officers from 80 PGAs . IPA to put up proposal to SS(L) for NLP with costing.
- xvii. Next IPA-tech committee meeting to be called at Mumbai where Chairman, IPA will be present and accordingly proposal of NLP will be put up for consideration to SS(L).

Action Points:

IPA/Portall

1. Proposal for Immigration to be shared
2. Meeting with Tank Farm Operators at Kandla
3. Note to be submitted to SS(L) for DGFT. This will eliminate the requirement of MoU between IPA and DGFT for sharing of data. (SSL , will issue ministry order for sharing of data required for PCS1x.)
4. IPA to publish Advertisement for Latch On Products from Open market.
5. IPA to issue circular for time limit to join PCS1x with free clause and post that amount to be charged
6. API integration for all 144 messages for MbPT and JNPT by Feb 2020 end
7. IPA to write to FILA for the KYC data for private custodians.
8. Creation of helpdesk for eInv-ePay-eDO
9. IPA to take up with SS(L) for nodal officers from 18 PGA for integration with PCS1x/NLP
10. IPA to call IPA-Tech meeting and propose the proposal for NLP to issue work order to Portall
11. List of Nodal officers to be published on PCS1x site
12. IPA to consider the required customisation for Ports as per local requirement
13. IPA to explore the option of concept like Play Store for the latch on application. As mentioned by SS(L) this will save cost of hosting of application.
14. Portall to demonstrate Transport Module to the JNPT and MbPT chairman .

MANSA

1. Share the process of Immigration for integration with PCS1x

FILA

1. To take up with IPPTA members for onboarding
2. To take up with Private Custodians for sharing the user data.

Annexure-I

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