

Appendices

Appendix 1

Summary of the facilitation measures

- ❖ **Simplification of rules and procedures:** The Foreign Trade Policy and Customs procedures have been made user-friendly by simplifying the procedures.
- ❖ **ICES**, launched in 1995, automated the workflow process related to clearance of import and export consignments and presently handles 98 per cent of India's international trade.
- ❖ **ICEGATE:** An electronic commerce portal implemented in 2002, offers a host of services to trade including electronic filing of the import and export documents and related electronic message between Customs and the trade.
- ❖ **RMS:** A Risk Management System (RMS) implemented in 2005, provides for the clearance of low-risk consignments without assessment or physical checking.
- ❖ **SEZ online:** An integrated solution developed for the speedy processing of various transactions that SEZ Developers, Co-Developers, Units, EOUs and Deemed Exporter have with SEZ administration.
- ❖ **DGFT (EDI):** An interface which allows trade to interact with DGFT in applying for licences, IEC code, status tracking etc.
- ❖ **GrapeNet:** A web based electronic software systems that allows shelf to farm monitoring of quality of grapes exported to the European Union.
- ❖ **Electronic Bank Realisation Certificate (e-BRC)** launched by DGFT(2012) creates an integrated platform for receipt and processing of bank realisation related information.
- ❖ **Port Community System (PCS)** integrates the electronic flow of trade related information and functions as the centralised hub for Indian Ports and other stakeholders.

Appendix 2
Trading Across Borders

Indicator	2012	2013	2014	2015
Rank	NA	NA	122	126
Documents to export (Nos)	7	7	7	7
Time to export (days)	16	16	17.1	17.1
Cost to export(US\$ per container)	1045	1070	1332	1332
Documents to import (Nos)	10	10	10	10
Time to import (days)	20	20	21.1	21.1

Appendix 3

Commitments made by India in Bali Ministerial conference of WTO.

- I. Publication and availability of information to importers and exporters
- II. Establishing or maintaining one or more enquiry points to answer reasonable enquiries of governments, traders and other interested parties as well as to provide the required forms and documents.
- III. Providing reasonable opportunities and an appropriate time period to traders to comment on the proposed introduction or amendment of laws and regulations related to the movement, release and clearance of goods, including goods in transit.
- IV. Provision for Advance Rulings
- V. Provision for administrative and/or judicial appeal of administrative decisions by customs.
- VI. Informing the importers about detention of goods.
- VII. An adequate time period should be accorded between the publication of new or amended fees and charges and their entry into force except in urgent circumstances and the fees and charges should be reviewed periodically
- VIII. Release and clearance of goods
- IX. Border agency co-operation
- X. Formalities connected with importation and exportation and transit
- XI. Freedom of transit
- XII. Measures promoting compliance and co-operation.
- XIII. Establishing a national committee on trade facilitation to facilitate domestic co-ordination and implementation

Appendix 4

Trade gains through trade facilitation

Country	"Top up" reforms in Trade facilitation			
	Trade Gains Billions of Dollars		GDP Gains	
	Export	import	Billions Dollars	% of GDP
United States	10.5	23.0	15.4	0.1
European Union	16.3	17.2	15.4	0.1
Japan	7.5	5.1	5.8	0.1
Brazil	2.2	4.67	3.2	0.2
China	19.9	32.0	23.9	0.7
India	2.6	9.1	5.4	0.5
Developed countries	39.5	54.5	43.2	0.1
Developing countries	47.3	84.0	60.4	0.6
Sample countries total	86.8	138.5	103.6	0.2

Source : PIIE 2013

Appendix 5

Cost to import and export

Country	Cost to export in 2013 (\$/container)	Cost to import in 2013 (\$/container)	Documents to export (Nos)	Documents to import (Nos)
India	1170	1250	9	11
Bangladesh	1075	1470	6	8
China	620	615	8	5
Sri Lanka	595	775	5	7
Pakistan	660	725	8	8

Source: World Development Indicators, 2013

Appendix 6

Logistic performance index

	India	China
Customs	2.77	3.25
International Shipment	2.98	3.46
Logistic quality and competence	3.14	3.47
Tracking and tracing	3.09	3.52
Timeliness	3.58	3.80
Trade and transport-related infrastructure	2.87	3.61
Logistic performance index: Efficiency of customs clearance process	2.77	3.25

Grading 1 to 5 (low to high)

Source: World Development Indicators, 2013