

Container Freight Stations Association of India (CFSAI)

- 1) CFSAI is the apex Association of CFS operators in India and was incorporated in 2004 and registered as a non-profit making company under section 8 of the Companies Act, 1956. The activities of the Association are managed by the Managing Committee comprising of members elected by the Operator members. CFSAI Secretariat headed by a Secretary General manages day-to day activities of the Association under the guidance of managing Committee

- 2) The Association was primarily conceptualised by Owners of CFSs located in JNPT region as JN Port was designed on CFS/Off Dock model. Further, JNPT at that point of time handled almost 60 % of India's Containerized EXIM trade. CFSAI expanded its bandwidth gradually as additional CFSs developed, and now has 44 Members primarily located on the West Coast of India, supporting **JNPT, Mundra, Pipavav & Hazira Ports**. CFSAI members CFSs from these 4 locations **handle over 70% of entire country's Containerized EXIM cargo.**

- 3) Some of CFSAI members also serve Southern and Eastern Ports, and have state-of-the-art facilities. These CFSs in Kolkata, Chennai Krishnapattanam & also 3 of them located at Dadri in North India also get benefitted, as Owners of these CFSs, being CFSAI members, on corporate level, share their best practices towards safe and secure handling, servicing and transportation of EXIM containerized cargo adopted & practiced by CFSAI members pan-India. Their issues too get taken up along with CFSAI when representations are made to various Ministries, CBIC, and other Government agencies.

- 4) The operations of member CFSs are supported by state-of-the-art IT Systems. There is tremendous thrust and impetus on adoption and usage of latest Technology and IT based solutions & Digitization in all day to day operations.

CFSAI Board of Directors & Managing Committee & Secretariat & Sub-committees of the Board

	Name	Position	Other Details
1	Mr. Adarsh Hegde	President	Joint MD Allcargo Logistics
2.	Mr. Anand Kalaskar	MC Member	CEO Hind Terminals
3.	Mr. George Joseph	Senior VP	CMD Ashte CFS
4	Mr. V.Padmanabhan	Senior VP	VP Seabird CFS
5	Capt. Nishit Joshi	Senior VP	VP Hind Terminals
6	Mr. Percy Vapiwala	Vice President	CEO Ameya CFS
7.	Mr. Sridhar Rajaram	MC Member	Head APMT CFS
8	Mr. Jude Fernades	MC Member	GM Kerry Indev CFS
9	Mr. Umesh Grover	Secretary General	CFSAI Secretariat

2) **Conferences & Webinars:** CFSAI conducts 2-3 conferences every year for its Members on relevant issues and invites industry experts to conduct same.

Once in a year on National Level a mega-Conference is arranged by CFSAI in Mumbai with delegates from every segment of Maritime & Logistics sector. Senior bureaucrats from Shipping, Commerce & Finance Ministry address the participants and provide the Government's vision on the sector, policy issues and thrust and impetus is on "Ease of doing Business"

In addition, a conference (now webinar) every year is also arranged exclusively focusing on **Storage, Handling & Transportation of Hazardous & IMDG Goods** as CFSAI Owners are committed to Safety & security of their personnel & the Goods stored in their facilities

3. **AEO Certification & CT-PAT Compliant facilities**

Whilst all our members are AEO-LO certified, some larger facilities owned by our members are also CT-PAT compliant facilities with International recognition.

4. **Membership of other Apex National Level Associations:** CFSAI is a Member and actively participates in various National level Committees namely:

- i) SCOPE (Shipping) under Ministry of Commerce
- ii) FICCI National Committee on Infrastructure
- iii) FICCI Western India Logistics Committee
- iv) CII National Committee on Shipping & Ports
- v) Indian Merchant Chambers - Shipping & Logistics Committee

5 **Interaction with Government, consultants & other trade bodies**

CFSAI coordinates and interacts with Ministry of Commerce, Shipping, & Finance, JNPT, Mundra Port & others and provides inputs for simplification of processes and 'Ease of Doing Business' initiatives of the Government.

In addition, FIEO, Asian Development Bank (ADB) engaged by World Bank for Logistics Index) and various Consultants like BCG, E&Y, and KPMG interact with CFSAI MC from time to time to get their expert views and factor in the ground level realities. CFSAI also interacts extensively with IPA for PCS and is a permanent member of IPA's Technical Committee. JNPT & Mundra Ports invite CFSAI for issues related to Port Ecosystem and Digitization initiatives.

CFSAI in a Joint initiative with JNCH Customs developed a standalone UCC Software for monitoring and tracking "***Uncleared and Unclaimed Containers***" and later implemented same in Mundra, Kandla & Pipavav. CFSAI is responsible for O&M and also training needs for UCC. CFSAI has also procured and customised "Container Scanning" software for the JNCH Drive through Scanner.
