KOLKATA PORT TRUST HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX

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Trade Circular

Earlier trade was notified vide this office Trade Circular No. MTO/G/104/Pt.VIII/1708 dated 29.06.2015 regarding extension of the modified priority norms for calling vessels at HDC till 31.08.2015. Meanwhile, representation has been received fro edible oil importers in respect of long waiting period of their vessels and requested to address their problems. In view of the same the temporary modifications in calling priority of dry bulk cargo vessels which is valid till 31.08.2015 has been reviewed when it has been found that apart from long waiting period of edible oil vessels, the waiting period of geared ships carrying dry bulk is also substantially high.

In order to redress the above two issues, it has been decided to delete the second para of clause (3) of the existing modified plan so that the geared vessels carrying coking coal, Non-Coking Coal and other types of Coal can also be berthed at Berth No. 4B or Berth No. 13 (subject to availability) at par with gearless vessels after attaining the upgraded priority as per modified plan.

It is further decided that henceforth apart from accommodating gearless / geared ships carrying all types coal at Berth No. 4B, gearless / geared ships carrying other dry bulk cargo will also be berthed at Berth No. 4B for handling cargo after attaining the upgraded priority as per modified plan.

Further, the edible oil carrying vessels after waiting for 144 hours (6 days) from the time of readiness/arrival at Sandheads, which ever is later will get calling priority at par with container and all types of Coal (SI. No. 9 of the existing calling/sailing priority norms).

After incorporation of the above changes the modified calling plan of the vessels at HDC as notified through Circular No. MTO/G/104/Pt.VIII/1708 dated 29.06.2015 will remain operative till 31.10.2015 to ease out the ongoing congestion.

During this period the Strategic Plan will remain suspended.

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