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Sub: Introduction of conden handling facility at KPD-I West from March, 2019

All port users are hereby informed that an additional container handling facility has been created by KoPT for handling exim/coastal containers carried by KPD-size geared vessel coming to KDS. For this, a container yard with 100 Twenty Ground Slots (TGS) has been constructed at KPD-I West and the yard includes 6 reefer points for serving 24 reefer boxes at a time. The entire yard has been designed for handling by RST and all slots have been well marked. Container ships may be handled at any suitable berth at KPD West, but the containers will be stored at the dedicated yard.

Customs have also upgraded facilities at their end at the same place for serving the container lines / port users.

At present, ship-shore handling of containers would have to be managed by the feeder operator through their own stevedore / handling agent, as used to happen earlier when KPD used handle containers decades before. MLOs can also authorise their respective handling agents for managing receipt/delivery operation at yard.

Rail-bound containers of KPD would be handled either at KPD-II section (27-29 KPD) or at container terminal and inter-dock movement of containers would be allowed under escort of Customs’ PO as per standard procedure.

All interested feeder operators / MLOs are requested to utilise this facility and may declare their next ships for KPD to the Dy. Traffic Manager(Shipping), with a copy to Dy. Traffic Manager(KPD)

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