



मुंबई पत्तन प्राधिकरण
Mumbai Port Authority

उप संरक्षक का कार्यालय,
समुद्री विभाग, पोर्ट भवन, पहला माला
शूरजी वल्लभदास मार्ग, बेलाई इस्टेट,
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To:

1. ALL CONCERNED
2. ALL PORT USERS
3. MANSA/INSA
4. SHIP AGENTS/OWNERS/MANAGERS/CHARTERERS/OPERATORS
5. ALL TANKER VESSEL OWNERS/MANAGERS/CHARTERERS/OPERATORS
6. ALL TUG OWNERS/MANAGERS/CHARTERERS/OPERATORS
7. MASTER OF ALL VESSELS

CIRCULAR

Sub: Availability of anchorages during monsoon period 2023.

Kindly note that the foul weather season is normally from 25th May to 31st August. During this period, the anchorage area of the inner harbor is restricted to a foul weather IV limit line, which is North of the Sunk Rock Light House position. Hence, the number of anchorages that can be utilized would be restricted due to non-availability of anchorages to the South of this line (including PLA anchorage for cargo operation during this period.

Mumbai Port Authority will try and accommodate as many vessels as possible but may have to deny anchorage facilities due to non-availability of anchorage berths. The cargo working anchorage berths will be allotted on a first-cum-first-serve basis, while other anchorages will be allotted for short periods only for those vessels also on first come first serve basis, which have specific work at Mumbai. Vessels which have got no employment will not be accorded to "lay up anchorage" and hence are strongly exhorted to find monsoon shelter elsewhere.

In view of MTHL construction activity in northern part of port inner anchorage and during monsoon craft anchored in P & V northern anchorage area may drift towards MTHL and damage the part of structure, small tugs, barges and other small vessels, which are covered under the Inland Vessels Act are advised to seek shelter accordingly. Those vessels which are anchored in the inner Mumbai Harbour will have to ensure that they are in a port-worthy condition, manned under the ISM code of safe manning and have the engines in proper working condition besides having all the statutory certificates and insurance valid.

The dumb barges and craft without engine which are anchored in the inner Mumbai Harbour will have to keep standby tugs of sufficient power for assistance to vessel. They also should have their towing ropes and appropriate gear ready for towing during the stay at anchorage in case of bad weather and any other emergencies.

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(Capt. B. CHAND)
DEPUTY CONSERVATOR

- c.c. to the P.S. to Chairman – for kind information of the Chairman.
to the P.S. to Dy. Chairman – for kind information of the Dy. Chairman.
to the Principal Officer, Mercantile Marine Department, Mumbai.
to the Chief Executive Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board.
to the Nautical Adviser, Government of India.
to the Director General of Shipping, Mumbai.
to the Sr. Dock Master, ID.
to the Dock Master, JD & Pir Pau.
to the Dock Master Control Station
to the Traffic Manager, MbPA
to the VTS Staff