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ALL PORT USERS
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## CIRCULAR

Sub: Availability of anchorages during monsoon period-2012

Kindly refer to the circulars promulgated by this office for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011, pertaining to the subject of availability of anchorage berths during monsoon period. The foul weather season has been declared from 25<sup>th</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> August. During this period, the anchorage area of inner harbour is restricted to a line which is normally North of Sunk Rock Light House position. Hence, the number of anchorages would be restricted due to non-availability to the South of this line.

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

Small Tugs, barges and other small vessels which are covered under the Inland Water Act are also advised to seek shelter in minor ports in consultation with MMB.