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<u>CIRCULAR</u>

President, Mumbai & Nhava-Sheva Ship-Agents' Association

President, <u>The Bombay Custom House Agents' Association</u>

Hon' Secretary, Association of Multi-Modal Transport Operators' Association of India

Secretary, Indian Merchants' Chambers

Secretary, Bombay Chambers of Commerce & Industry

Sir,

Sub: Storage Facilities for import cargo.

Vide this office circulars dtd. 3.11.2005, 10.1.2008, 31.1.2008, 21.02.2008 and 22.9.2011, certain storage areas were nominated inside the docks and at outlying area for storage of import cargo, under the provisions of Section 3.3(A) (II) of Chapter III of Scale of Rates.

2. In order to attract more cargo, Open area admeasuring approx. 10,000 sq.mtrs. at Haji Bunder, opposite Fire Brigade Station is hereby notified/specified for storage of Import cargo under the provisions of Section 3.3(A) (II) of Chapter III of Scale of Rates.

3. The licence fee leviable under the provision of Section 3.3(A)(II) of SOR is as under:-

	Period of Storage	Rate per sq. mtr. or part thereof per month or thereof (In `.)
In	i) First 30 days or part thereof	40
Sheds	ii) 31 st day to 60th day	80
Open	i) First 30 days or part thereof	30
Yards	ii) 31 st day to 60th day	60

Licence (storage) Fees on the Goods stored in the area specified by the MbPT for storage of cargo upto a maximum of 60 days.

Note: The cargos lying uncleared beyond 60 days shall be subjected to demurrage from the 61st days onwards under Section 3.1(B) of chapter (III) of the Scale of Rate.

For the purpose the levy of demurrage the 61st day of storage of cargo will be treated as day number one.

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4. The Import Cargo Storage permission would be granted subject to compliance of the following conditions:-

- a) The cargo should be out of charge from Customs and cleared/transported to licensed area on completion of Port and Customs formalities.
- b) The cargo shall be removed by the importer/CHA at their own risk and cost to the area allotted for storage of cargo.
- c) The storage of cargo at the allotted site shall be solely at the risk, cost and responsibility of the importer/CHA.
- d) Prior to shifting the cargo to the allotted site, the importer/CHA shall make advance payment of license fees at the rate of Rs. 30/- per sq. mtr. for a month at the Cash Offices, for the area requested for. Payment for variation in areas shall be paid within 3 days from the date of storage.
- e) The importer/CHA shall be required to vacate the allotted site as and when required by the Port for which 15 days notice will be issued to the importer/CHA.
- f) In case of any requirement of the allotted area by MbPT, the importer/ CHA shall shift the cargo to any other location within 15 days as indicated by the Port, for which the shifting charges shall be borne by the importer/CHA.
- g) The allotment shall be initially for a period of one month and in case of further extension for allotment of the storage area, the importer/CHA should make an application and obtain permission from this office at least 7 days prior to completion of the 30th day.
- h) The area actually occupied by the cargo shall be measured by the Shed Supdt. and will be certified for recovery of license fees.

You are requested to inform your members suitably to take benefit of the above storage facilities and bring more cargo to the Port.

Yours faithfully,

(R.N. SHAIKH) DY. TRAFFIC MANAGER (GEN.)

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to :

- 1. All India Importers Exporters Association.
- 2. All India Association of Industries.
- 3. Federation of Freight Forwarders' Association of India.
- 4. Federation of Indian Exporter's Organisation.
- 5. Western India Shipper's Association.