

MUMBAI PORT TRUST

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

No.TM/D/4-3/19 of 1996-97

Date: 28th August 2009

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All India Association of Industries
Federation of Freight Forwarders'
Association of India
The Shipping Corporation of India
Indian Sugar Exim Corporation
Pulses Importers Association

Sirs,

Sub: Direction issued by the Central Government under Section 54 of the MPT Act, 1963 to modify the existing demurrage charges/licence fee for storage facilities Sugar and Pulses at the Major Ports.

In view of the Government directives issued in public interest, the Tariff Authority for Major Ports vide order No.TAMP/29/2009-Misc. dated 25.8.2009, has amended the existing demurrage charges/licence fee in respect of Sugar and Pulses as given in the following Schedule:

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Schedule

Sr.No.	Description	Charges
1.	Sugar and Pulses(Import)	
	(i) Free period	3 days
	(ii) 4 – 10 days	Twice the rate applicable after the free period as per the existing Scale of Rates in that Port.
	(iii) 11 – 20 days	Three times the rate applicable after the free period as per the existing Scale of Rates in that Port.
	(iv) 21 – 30 days	Four times the rate applicable after the free period as per the existing Scale of Rates in that Port.
	(v) No cargo will be allowed to remain in the Port area after 30 days.	

2. The TAMP's order dated 25.8.2009 will be implemented in the following manner:

a) **Demurrage on Import consignments of Sugar and Pulses:**

i) Storage of Import consignments of Sugar and Pulses (containerised/non-containerised) will be allowed in Docks free of demurrage for three calendar days from the date following the day of complete discharge of vessel's cargo. On expiry of free days, demurrage will be charged for the period of storage on Sugar and Pulses remaining uncleared, at the following rates:

Sr.No.	Description	Demurrage charges per tonne per day or part thereof (in Rs)
	Sugar and Pulses (Import)	
1.	Free period upto 3 days	Nil
2.	4 to 10 days	75.00
3.	11 to 20 days	112.50
4.	21 to 30 days	225.00

ii) No Import consignments of Sugar and Pulses shall be allowed to remain in the Port area after 30 days.

iii) Demurrage charges will be levied from 25.8.2009 onwards on the cargoes lying beyond 30 days in Docks at four times the highest existing demurrage i.e. Rs.75.00 per tonne per day or part thereof charged under Section 3.1(B) Chapter III of Scale of Rates working out to Rs.300.00 per tonne per day or part thereof.

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b) **Licence(storage) Fees on Import consignments of Sugar & Pulses stored in the specified areas of Port:**

- i) Consequent upon the TAMP's order dated 25.8.2009, to modify the demurrage charges/licence fee in respect of Sugar and Pulses, in order to discourage storage of the same in port areas after Import, in view of increasing prices of these essential commodities, no storage of Sugar and Pulses as had been given hitherto under Section 3.3(A)(II) of Chapter III of Scale of Rates, will be permitted.
- ii) On the Import consignments of Pulses already lying at specified areas under long term storage facilities, the Licence (storage) fees will be charged as per the old rate till 24.8.2009 and from 25.8.2009 onwards, Licence (Storage) Fees will be recovered at the following rates:

Sr. No.	Description	Licence (Storage) Fees per sq.mtr. or part thereof per day or part thereof (in Rs.)		
		Sugar & Pulses (Import)	In Sheds	Open Yards
1.	1 to 10 days		2.67	2.00
2.	11 to 20 days		4.00	3.00
3.	21 to 30 days		5.33	4.00

- iii) Since no cargo will be allowed to remain in the port area after 30 days, the consignments of Pulses already lying for more than 30 days should be removed **forthwith**. Demurrage charges will be levied from 25.8.2009 onwards on the cargoes lying beyond 30 days at four times the highest existing demurrage i.e. Rs.75.00 per tonne per day or part thereof charged under Section 3.1(B) Chapter III of Scale of Rates working to Rs. 300.00 per tonne per day or part thereof.

3. Further action, as deemed fit, including suspension of facilities of the Importers will be taken for the consignments of Sugar and Pulses lying in the port beyond 30 days.

4. The amended demurrage charges/licence fee in respect of Import consignments of Sugar and Pulses have come into effect from 25.8.2009 i.e. the date of Notification in the Gazette of India Extraordinary, and shall remain in force till 31.3.2010 or until further orders. Consequently, on the consignments of Sugar and Pulses that have been effected delivery on or after 25.8.2009, the difference in the amount paid and due should be made good.

5. You are requested to take note of the same and give wide publicity amongst your members.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-
(R.B. DAWRE)
ADDL. DOCKS MANAGER