



MUMBAI PORT TRUST

DOCKS DEPARTMENT

**CARGO DISCHARGING IN STREAM AT BFL AND BARGES
BRINGING CARGO INTO THE DOCKS - CALCULATION OF
FREE DAYS (VCD)**

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President,

Mumbai & Nhava-Sheva Ship-Agents' Association

President,

The Bombay Custom House Agents' Association

Hon' Secretary,

Association of Multi-Modal Transport

Operators' Association of India

Secretary,

Indian Merchants' Chambers

Secretary,

Bombay Chambers of Commerce & Industry

Sirs,

Sub: Cargo discharging in stream at BFL and

barges bringing cargo into the Docks -

Calculation of free days (VCD).

Mother vessels bringing large volumes of import dry bulk cargo, such as pulses, etc. prefer to discharge the entire quantity at outer anchorages or at Bombay Floating Light (BFL) into the barges. The barges are subsequently brought to Harbour Wall or any other berths in Indira Dock for discharging the cargo with the help of pay loaders, other equipments, into the dumpers and thereafter the cargo is transferred to the transit sheds in the Docks for onward process of bagging, delivery, etc.

2. All concerned are requested to note that the Vessel Completion Date (VCD) in respect of above operation will be as under :-

- i) To consider the Vessel Completion Date (VCD) of the mother vessel;
- ii) Permit and limit 2 days only from the day following the day of VCD of the mother vessel for discharging of the balance tonnage of cargo from the barges; and
- iii) On expiry of the 2 days period, allow 6 free days, whereafter, demurrage shall be levied as per Scale of Rates.

3. The above system of working out the Vessel Completion Date(VCD) for the purpose of recovery of cargo related charges shall be effective with effect from 01.9.2008 in respect of the cargoes discharged in stream and at BFL and brought by the barges into the Docks.

4. You are requested to inform your Members suitably.

Yours faithfully,

(V.S. KULKARNI)

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