

**MUMBAI PORT TRUST
MARINE DEPARTMENT**

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INSA

MANSA

ALL PORT USERS

ALL TANKER VESSEL OPERATORS, OWNERS, MANAGERS AND
CHARTERERS

ALL VESSEL OPERATORS, OWNERS, MANAGERS AND CHARTERERS

MASTERS OF ALL VESSELS VISITING/INTENDING TO VISIT MBPT

ALL AGENTS

Sub: Naval firing practice on 25.09.2013

The Indian Navy have given notice for conducting a firing practice to be carried out from 0930 hrs. to 1300 hrs. on 25.09.2013.

With respect to the above, there will be no shipping movements outward bound from 0700 hrs. to 1300 hrs. on 25.09.2013 and no inward bound vessels before 1300 hrs. on 25.09.2013. All anchorage berths south of the middle ground will have to be positively vacated before the commencement of the firing practice.

All vessels which are undertaking or undergoing stream discharge operations at the Port lightering area will also be required to be vacated PLA by 0730 hrs. on 25.09.2013.

No vessel will be allowed an inner anchorage berth from 23.09.2013. The process of evacuating the harbour will commence from evening of 23.09.2013. The first vessels which will be required to vacate harbour will be those vessels which have been staying at the anchorage for prolonged period of time and have no immediate employment. The only vessels which will be allowed to remain thereafter will be those vessels which have immediate requirement. In any case, only those vessels which are undergoing stream discharge operations in the inner harbour and expected to complete on or by P.M. of 24.09.2013 will be allowed to remain at the anchorage. Even those vessels will have to vacate the inner harbour by 0600 hrs. on 25.09.2013.

Agents of vessels, which are currently under arrest have to make all out efforts to have whatever disputes there are, settled at the earliest, so that the vessels are able to vacate the harbour as soon as possible.

(Capt. V.V.A.Pereira)
HARBOUR MASTER