## **MUMBAI PORT TRUST - DOCKS**

## CIRCULAR NO. 23

<u>The President - Federation of Bombay Motor Transport Operators.</u>

The President - Maharashtra Truck Owners' Association.

The President - Mumbai Malvahatuk Tempo Mahasangh.

The President - Maharashtra Rajya Vahatuk Mahasangh.

The President - Maharashtra Tank Lorry Owners' Association.

The President - Provincial Motor Transport Association.

The President - The Maharashtra Fork-Lift Owners' Association.

The President - The Crane Owners' Association.

Sub: Safety measures for carrying long cargo like pipes etc.

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Of late, it has been observed that some of the accidents which have occurred in the docks were caused due to falling of cargo on the road from trailers during transportation as the same were not properly secured/ lashed with wire ropes. An accident took place due to falling of pipes on the road from trailer as trailer was not fitted with stanchions. The Chairman, Safety Committee for the Port of Mumbai, has directed to prevent entry of such trailers in the docks which are found flouting safety norms.

- 2. It is, therefore, absolutely essential to enhance safety awareness amongst all concerned and ensure that the vehicles deployed by them for transporting long/ lengthy cargo like lengthy pipes etc. to and from docks / within docks are properly fitted with iron/steel stanchions. The cargo being carried should be stacked on trailer and lashed properly with wire ropes to prevent its falling from the vehicles during transportation.
- 3. In view of the above, all the port users/ transporters deploying trailers for loading, unloading and transporting of long/lengthy pipes cargo to ensure that such trailers are fitted with iron/steel stanchions and cargo being carried are secured properly by lashing with wire ropes. They should note that without security devices like stanchions, etc. trailers will not be allowed to carry out operations inside the Docks.
- 4. You are requested to advise your members suitably in the matter.

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