



श्यामा प्रसाद मुखर्जी पोर्ट , कोलकाता.

Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata.

हल्दिया गोदी परिसर
HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX
पोत प्रचालन प्रभाग
Marine Operations Division

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TRADE NOTICE.

BARGE MOVEMENT AT HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX, SMPK.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE.

- A. Copy of the following valid certificates / documents to be on board the Barge:
1. Certificate of Registry.
 2. Certificate of Class with Annual Endorsement.
 3. Certificate of Survey with Annual Endorsement and Plying Permission (IWT).
 4. Valid Insurance.
 5. Power Of Attorney (If Any).
 6. Inland Master – Valid C.O.C with endorsement of IWT (As Required).
 7. L.C. Driver – Valid C.O.C.
 8. All navigational Equipment including A.I.S and V.H.F. as per the guideline to be in working condition.
- B. Barge Operator to attend daily berthing meeting.
- C. Upon scrutiny of the details of Barge movement shall be provided by Traffic (Sh & Ch) to M.O. Division by 1500 hrs. Thereafter, M.O. Division shall prepare the movement order (ingress / egress) of barges. Once the slot is allotted the barge is required to report on time.
- D. Barges to manoeuvre and anchor clear off navigational channel and in no circumstances shall impede the safe passage of Merchant Vessels.
- E. All Barges are obliged to report to VTS / VTMS at locations as may be required by VTS / VTMS.
- F. VHF Ch 16 to be monitored and communication to be made with the River Pilot at all times providing the location and intention.
- G. During hours of Darkness and during Restricted Visibility all barges in the river as well as inside dock to exhibit appropriate Navigational lights as per Rules. Deck to remain illuminated while at anchor in the river. Wheel House to be manned with VHF and A.I.S to remain switched on even when the vessel is at anchor.
- H. Representative / Supervisor of the Barge Operator to be present at lock site for co-ordination with Asst. Dock Master (ADM).
- I. The barges permitted for ingress / egress shall continuously monitor and liaise on VHF with ADM. No barge in the river shall remain near the lock gate and approach jetty impeding the safe passage of Merchant Vessels in the navigational channel.

- J. Representative / Supervisor of the Barge Operator to inform Port Control in person regarding the ingress / egress of the barge for record keeping.
- K. Inland Master to be make himself available at Marine Office during the barge stay at HDC for appropriate training/ briefing about the procedure. Same to be documented.
- L. Trial basis 2 barges to be moored at the Lay Up Mooring Buoys and inform ADM / Port Control.
- M. Barge Master shall follow the route as per given feed in GPS by competent / authorized person. The proposed route as per given feed in GPS in no circumstances shall impede the safe passage of Merchant Vessels.
- N. Barge Master violating the safety norms in regard to the safe navigation to be de-rostered / sensitized / briefed prior next appointment.
- O. The power of Attorney to be modified so as to facilitate use of the barge simultaneously by the Owner and Operator. The Owner shall remain responsible for the barges in all circumstances and cannot offload the responsibility to the Operator. Under no circumstances, the operator does not become a Disponent Owner and actually being authorized by the owner to operate the barge on their behalf. However, the Owner cannot allow multiple operators to operate the barge at any point of time.
- P. The Barge Operators and Owners were advised to anchor the mother vessels within base line at all point of time while engaged in lighterage operation.
- Q. It was decided that for the next lighterage season a separate route for movement of barges from Sandheads to Sagar and vice versa will be made for which if feasible buoys will be laid at locations after discussion with barge operators. If laying of buoys are not feasible then ATION will be placed at the locations which will be detected on A.I.S.

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