

Tfc/G-6258/Circular

Dated, the 6th June, 2024

TRADE CIRCULAR

Sub: Minimum productivity of dry bulk cargo required to be achieved at KPD for Barges.

Reference is drawn the Trade Circular of even No. dated 10th April,2024 wherein it was directed that all stakeholders shall continue the operation of barges at KPD on round the clock basis so that the minimum productivity as follows is achieved:

Cargo	Minimum productivity to be achieved per day per barge
Foodgrains	700 MTs
Fertilizers	1000 MTs
All other dry bulk cargoes	1200 MTs

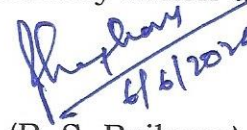
It is regretted that neither the cargo operation is being carried out on round the clock basis nor the above productivity benchmark is being achieved. This has increased the TRT of the barges considerably resulting in bunching of barges inside the dock.

It is therefore advised not to bring any barge inside dock, if the plan for immediate unloading / loading is not envisaged. Any vessel / barge not working beyond 48 hours without any valid reason will have to go out of the dock.

The matter has been discussed with the concerned Stakeholders on several occasions in the recent past at different levels and the stand of SMPK in this respect has been clearly explained.

All Stakeholders are informed that in the event non compliance i.e. non-working of barges on round the clock basis and non- achieving of stipulated minimum productivity, SMPK shall be compelled to take drastic action and may proceed with cancellation of the handling agency license of the concerned handling agent forthwith.

All concerned are directed to note the above and take necessary action urgently.


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