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Sub: Issues at Major Ports relating to; (1) Exemptions/Remission of charges; (2) Force Majeure

Ministry of Shipping vide no. No. PD- 14033/4/2020-PD VII dated 21.04.2020 (**copy enclosed**) stated that *"the lock-down measures and associated disruptions in logistic chains have impacted the Indian ports and port users. There is an impact in the form of drop in imports & exports volumes, delays in evacuation of cargo, cash flow issues etc. resulting in inability of port users, concessionaires and other stakeholders to fulfil their obligations to port authorities and banks/lenders."*

It was accordingly mentioned in the aforesaid order that *"in view of this extraordinary situation and after considering the representations received from various stakeholders, all Major Ports"* have been directed by the Ministry of shipping vide **Clause 3 (ii)** of the above referred **order dated 21.4.2020** that for Port Users *"Lease rentals, licence fees related charges: Ports shall allow deferment of April, May and June months, annual lease rentals/licence fees on pro-rata basis, without any interest, if requested by lessee/licensee. This shall be applicable only for the annual lease rentals/licence fee to be received by port for year 2020."*

It has also been directed under **Clauses 9 & 10** of the above referred **order of the Ministry** dated 21.4.2020 that *"the remissions/waivers/deferments stipulated in the Ministry's order shall be extended to only port related activities, industries and commercial establishments. This order shall not be applicable on any captive user, Central or State govt entities, local bodies, PSUs, CPSEs. Port shall ensure strict implementation of this order by port users including PPP concessioners, CFS, ICD, Shipping lines etc. If required, ports shall invoke relevant provisions of agreements and take appropriate action."*

Accordingly, as directed by the Ministry, KoPT has considered granting the following: -

- (1) Deferment of payments for Port Users of April, May and June months, annual lease rentals / licence fees on pro-rata basis, without any interest, only if requested by the authorised Lessee / Licensee.
- (2) Such deferments of payments of Lease /License Rentals, for Port Users, as directed by the Ministry and stipulated in this order, shall be applicable only for the annual lease rentals/licence fee to be received by port for year 2020.
- (3) Such deferments of payments of Lease/License Rentals, for Port Users as directed by the Ministry and stipulated in this order, shall be extended to only port related activities, industries and commercial establishments
- (4) Such deferments of payments of Lease/License Rentals, as directed by the Ministry and stipulated in this order, for Port Users, shall not be applicable on any captive user, Central or State Govt entities, local bodies, PSUs, CPSEs.

The above is for information of all concerned please.

Secretary
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Enclosed: As above