## VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

No .ITRA/SHP/FCIR/

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## TRADE CIRCULAR NO.-1316

## **All Port Users**

Sub: Provision of Good Quality save all nets during operation of Bulk Cargo Vessels and Printing of company firm logo as identification mark on the save all nets hoisted during handling of vessels-Reg.

During handling bulk cargoes viz Fertilizers, Rock Phosphate, Coal, etc, from vessels, the handling agents concerned are arranging save all nets to avoid spillage of cargo into sea water. However, it is observed that due to the poor quality of the nets, the same are being worn out and are in un-usable condition, within few shifts of commencement of cargo operations and at times, the nets are falling into Dock waters after wear and tear.

Upon examination of the above, it was observed that the supervisory staff of the Stevedore / C&F agent concerned, posted at the vessel are not continuously monitoring the condition of the save all nets, resulting in its non-usability during cargo operation. This in turn is resulting in spillage of the cargo into the dock water as well as dislodging of the worn out nets are flying into the Port waters thereby causing navigational hazards, viz entangling to the propellers of the Port crafts as well as that of the vessels.

Further, it is also to mention that during dredging of the Dock channels as well as alongside berths, large quantities of such as nets were retrieved. This aspect was communicated to all concerned at various forums, etc but no noticeable action could be seen.

Hence in order to avoid such a scenario all the concerned handling agents are hereby directed to ensure that the save all nets are hoisted with proper fastening belts/ropes, so as to secure them from falling into the sea water due to their slackness. In addition to the above, the concerned handling agents have to engrave their firm logo/colour code identification mark on the save all nets, so as to identify the same being used by them.

In view of the above, all concerned are once again requested to instruct the concerned to arrange to provide **Good Quality save all** nets duly engraving their firm logo/colour code identification mark on the same, so as to identify the ownership of the nets during the process of cargo handling operation. Any deviation to the above will be viewed seriously, including suspending vessel operations of the Stevedore concerned.

TRAFFIC MANAGER

CC: PS to Chairman, for the favour of kind information of Chairman.

CC: CME / CE (I/C) / Dy.Conservator for information please.

CC: Jt Director (R&P) for information and with a request to place the Circular in Port Website (copy pasted in Swatch Bharat share folder).

CC: President Steam Ship Agents Association for information and with a request to instruct all concerned, accordingly.

CC: President Stevedores Association for information and with a request to instruct all concerned, accordingly.

CC: President C&F agents Association for information and with a request to instruct all concerned, accordingly.

CC: ATM (Control) / DI (C) / DI (G) / DI (WOB) / / DI (Control) / QF (Control) with instructions to continuously monitor the same in co-ordination with the Vessel / Cargo supervisors concerned.

CC: AQF (Shipping), TM Office for information and to e-mail to All Trade.