VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

No: ITRA/ROC/FD&D

CIRCULAR NO. 1377

Dt: 02.06.2021

ALL PORT RAIL USERS

Sub: Collection of Railway Wagon Damage & Deficiency charges on per Wagon Basis-Reg.

Ref: M&EE Department Lr.No.IM&EE/MOF/BGL/2021/1884 Dt: 01.06.2021.

The Railway Board has issued directions for dispensation of the Joint Examination of the Inward & Outward Railway wagons, throughout the Indian Railways and directed that the Joint Checks are to be carried out during incoming stage as well as outgoing stage once in three (3) months (quarterly joint checks) and based on the above joint checks, the Mechanical Branch of the Indian Railways shall work out the Damage & Deficiency cost per wagon, valid for charging in the next three (3) months on all the wagons interchanged.

The above procedure of quarterly joint check was implemented at VPT also and the per wagon Damage & Deficiency cost was recently advised by the Indian Railways w.e.f June 2020 and therefore the earlier procedure adopted by VPT for collection of wagon Damage & Deficiency charges on per tonne basis from its customers, shall be dispensed with, w.e.f June 2020 and onwards.

It is also to mention that VPT did not levy any wagon Damage & Deficiency charges from its customers for the above period, due to the change in the procedure, as directed by the Railway Board and also due to delay in confirmation of the per Wagon rates by the Indian Railways (as per the new procedure).

Therefore, for the period from June 2020 and onwards, VPT has to recover the Damage & Deficiency bill amounts from all the Port users on per Wagon basis along with the applicable GST, on all types of wagons handled during the month (including Private wagons also), uniformly and the per wagon rate for recovery of the Damage & Deficiency cost is as shown below.

Table: Month wise per wagon Damage & Deficiency cost for all types of Wagons, including Private Wagons.

SI No	Month & Year	Damage & Deficiency cost per Wagon in Rs (without GST)
1	June 2020	25.88
2	July 2020	25.88
3	August 2020	25.88
4	September 2020	25.88
5	October 2020	26.82
6	November 2020	26.82
7	December 2020	26.82
8	January 2021	26.54
9	February 2021	26.54
10	March 2021	26.54

The per wagon rates for the period from April 2021 and onwards shall be communicated, as and when received from the Indian Railways.

For Heavy Repair (HR) and Derailed wagons, Damage & Deficiency charges will be collected on the basis of actual Damage & Deficiency cost claimed by Indian Railways in monthly Damage & Deficiency bill.

In view of the above, it is kindly requested that all concerned ensure deposition of sufficient funds in their respective deposit accounts with the Port for adjustment of the Damage & Deficiency charge bill amounts for the period from June 2020 and onwards.

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