VISAKHAPATNAM PORT AUTHORITY TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT Ambedkar Bhavan, Port Area, Visakhapatnam – 530035 (A.P)



TRADE CIRCULAR NO- 1611

ITRA/SOP/FMISC Date: 28-06-2023

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All Trade,

Sir,

Sub: - Hoisting of Save All Nets at all working hatches of the vessel - Reg.,

In context to the aforesaid subject, it is to submit that in the recent times it has been observed that the concerned stevedores are either inordinately delaying the hoisting of save all nets at the working hatches of vessels carrying out Cargo Handling Operations of Bulk Cargoes. Due to non-hoisting of save all nets at the time of Cargo Handling Operation, some quantity of cargo handled is falling into the sea water resulting contamination of sea water and other environmental issues. The same has been noted by the Environmental Task Force Team and has been reported to the undersigned from time to time.

Hence, in order to avoid the falling of cargoes into the sea water, all the concerned stevedores engaged in handing of bulk cargoes are hereby directed to ensure that there is full coverage of the operating hatches with the save all nets which will be helpful in avoiding circumstances as described above.

However, in case it is observed by the concerned staff at this end that the operating hatches of the vessel carrying out Cargo Handling Operation of Bulk Cargo are not covered adequately, this office will be left out with no other option but to forcefully hoist the specialised save all nets available at this end and there upon the charges applicable towards the cost of the save all nets as mentioned in the SOR/VPA in force currently will be levied on account of the handling agents. As per SOR section 7.8 Notes initially caution deposit of Rs. 24,161.86 has to be collected from the party prior to supplying the nets.

In addition to the above the cost of labour involved in the process of hoisting save all nets at such hatches will also be levied on the concerned stevedore.

Hence, in view of the above, all the trade members are hereby once again directed to comply with the instructions as mentioned above in toto.

Yours faithfully,

TRAFFIC MANAGER