V.O.CHIDAMBARANAR PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT TRADE NOTICE

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The Board in their meeting held on 12.07.2016 decided to extend the following concessions in Port Charges for the financial year 2016-17 ending 31.03.2017 to attract higher volume of cargo to the Port vide Board Reso. No.173(Agenda item 5).

Integrated Incentive Scheme for the year 2016-17

In order to attract higher volume of cargo and to achieve Ministry's target and Traffic throughput of 40.15 MMT for 2016-17, concession is proposed on wharfage and labour levy as below:

1. Rebate in Wharfage for incremental volume:

Incentives for all cargoes on the incremental quantity, other than the commodities identified below:

- (i) All coal handled in the Port for Captive Power Plants and Cement Industries located in Tuticorin and adjoining Districts including coal handled in the dedicated berths.
- (ii) Container cargo and
- (iii) Liquid Cargoes.

The scheme will exclude all cargoes including the raw materials handled in the Port on account of captive industries/ users.

Incentive of rebate in wharfage for all cargoes other than the cargoes listed above will be considered at the following rates, if the total volume of each cargo handled during the year 2016-17 exceeds the total volume of each cargo handled in the Port during the previous year (2015-16) traffic of 36.85 MMT.

- (i) Above 0.25 Million Tonnes upto 1 Million Tonnes 20%
- (ii) Above 1 Million Tonnes upto 1.5 Million Tonnes 30%
- (iii) Above 1.5 Million Tonnes upto 2 Million Tonnes 40%
- (iv) Above 2 Million Tonnes 50%

The Rebate in wharfage on the incremental volume of the same cargo handled by different Exporters / Importers will be on Pro- rata basis. This will exclude the volume of cargoes for which specific incentives are envisaged herein.

2. Concession for handling of Steaming (Non-coking) Coal (foreign):

Concession for Steaming (Non – Coking) coal (foreign) handled in the general cargo berths on account of those consignees who are having plants in the hinterlands beyond 50 km of Port and clear their cargo by rail from VOC Port, provided the particular consignee or their handling Agent assures a minimum volume of 0.5 million tonnes during the year 2016-17.

Rate of Concession:

- (i) 25% concession in wharfage on the incremental volume
- (ii) 25% concession in labour levy on the incremental volume

3. Rebate in labour levy for Steaming (Non - Coking) coal (foreign) for the incremental volume based on output at Berth No. IX and VOC III & IV:

25 % concession in labour levy will be given for all Steaming (Non – Coking) coal (foreign) handled in geared vessels in the Port for achieving

average berthday output of 24,000 MT/Day at Berth No. IX and 15,000 MT/Day at VOC III & IV.

4. Rebate in Wharfage for new cargo:-

For attracting new cargo during 2016-17 the following incentive is proposed.

S1. No	Cargo volume	Concession / Incentive	
1	1,00,000 to 2,00,000 MT	10% concession / Incentives in wharfage and labour levy	
2	2,00,001 to 5,00,000 MT	25% concession / Incentives in wharfage and labour levy	
3.	Above 5,00,001 MT	50% concession / Incentives in wharfage and labour levy	

The new cargo will attract incentive only if there is incremental volume for 2016-17 when compared to the previous year traffic. New cargo will refer to any new item of cargo to the Port or any cargo which has not been handled in the Port during the past two years.

5. Anchorage Operation

Concession in Anchorage fee and wharfage for Anchorage Operation is proposed in order to reduce queuing up of waiting deep draft vessels (above 10.7m upto 12.8m) and normal draft vessels (equal to or less than 10.7m) vessels for berthing at IX berth / VOC III & IV as follows:

Sl.No	Quantity Discharged at Anchorage	Concession / Incentive
1.	1,00,000 to 2,50,000	10% on Wharfage and Anchorage fee
2	2,50,001 to 5,00,000	30% on Wharfage and Anchorage fee
3	5,00,001 and above	50% on Wharfage and Anchorage fee

This concession will be worked out on total volume and apportioned to individual importer on pro-rata basis.

6. Concession for Container Vessels:

The vessel operators will get the concession:

a) Mainline Container Vessels

So far mainline container vessels are not calling at this Port, since 2005-06. In order to attract more traffic in containers and to encourage diversion of potential container traffic, Mainline Container Vessels will be extended concession in Vessel Related Charges as follows:

S1. No	No. of Teus handled in each voyage	Concession on Vessel Related Charges(VRC)
1.	1000 to 1250	10% of VRC
2.	1251 to 1500	15% of VRC
3.	1501 to 1750	20% of VRC
4.	Above 1751	25% of VRC

The above concession is applicable for Mainline Vessels which are calling atleast twice in a month at VOC Port.

b) Feeder Container Vessel:

In the last 3 fiscals, an average of 1156 TEU's per voyage has been handled through VOCPT. Hence, Feeder Vessels in order to attract more volume of container traffic to the Port, concession in Vessel Related Charges is proposed for Feeder Vessels as follows:

S1. No	No. of Teus handled in each voyage	Concession on Vessel Related Charges(VRC)
1.	1250 to 1500	5% of VRC
2	1501 to 1750	10% of VRC
3	1751 to 2000	15% of VRC
4	Above 2001	20% of VRC

7. General Conditions:

- (i) The above incentive scheme is applicable to all cargoes handled, other than container Cargo, liquid cargoes, raw materials and Coal handled in the Port for Captive Power Plants/Users and Cement Industries located in Tuticorin and adjoining Districts and the cargoes handled at NCB I, NCB II, Coal Jetties I and II of the Port and cargoes for which specific incentives are envisages herein.
- (ii) No concession is applicable on statutory payment levied.
- (iii) The Rebate in wharfage calculated for each cargo eligible under Sl.No.1 (other than the incentives covered under Sl. No. 2,3,4,5 & 6) should be limited to the amount calculated at the prescribed rate of rebate on the incremental volume handled during 2016-17 over and above the traffic handled during 2015-16.
- (iv) The concession in wharfage and labour levy for handling of Steaming (Non-coking) Coal (Foreign) under Sl.No.2(other than the incentive covered under Sl.No.1,3,4,5 & 6) will be considered on the incremental

volume handled above the volume of 0.5 Million Tonnes for each consignee or their handling Agent due for the year 2016 - 17.

(v) The Rebate/concession arrived at will be proportionately shared by the Exporter / Importer whoever handled the incremental volume of each cargo eligible for rebate.

(vi) The Exporter / Importer only are eligible for rebate / Concession under this scheme, except for SL.No. 6 which is meant for vessel operators. In respect of cargo incentive, the rebate will be payable to the Importer / Exporter.

(vii) The incentive will be applicable on cargo handled during the financial year 2016-2017. The incentive payable will be granted on achievement of the conditionalities stated herein above, after the completion of the financial year.

(viii) The request for applicable rebate/concession shall be submitted on or before 30th June 2017 and the request received thereafter will not be considered.

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