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Sub: Request to review the Productivity Norms of Berthing Policy

Mahesh S Tirthani Hon. Secretary 98252 26889

Dear Sir,

Jatin S Agrawal Hon. Jt. Secretary 98252 26777

Greetings from The Gandhidham Chamber of Commerce & Industry!

Harish J Maheshwari Treasurer 98252 26249

The Gandhidham Chamber appreciate and congratulates you and the entire team of DPA for achieving the highest cargo handling in the month of June' 2022. We would like to draw your kind attention on the submission of the Kandla Custom Brokers' Association regarding their inability in achieving the standard tonnage of loading as per the norms for the bagged Cargo and bulk commodity. We also appreciate your pragmatic approach towards the issue by amending the norms immediately after joint representations of Gandhidham Chamber and the Trade fraternity.

Sir, Port Users have tried their best to achieve the revised norms but after almost 2.5 months of practicing with putting all efforts, we observe that the same is also not achievable and viable. The most of the handling works are depending upon the labours. In spite of deploying additional work forces, the trade is getting maximum 14-15 working hours from 24 hours. The trade is unable to get optimum output of loading and facing a severe financial implication in form of penal berth hire charges running into 20 to 40 lakhs per vessel which comes to 250 to 300 per ton which is unviable to bear. Therefore, we would like to request your kind good self to review the current berthing policy and consider the below productivity norms to ease out the current difficulties of Trade.

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## [1] Productivity Norms:

Capacity of Bags	Present Norms	Proposed Norms
Up to 26 Kg	2850 MT	2000 MT
26 to 41 Kg	4200 MT	3000 MT
Above 41 Kg	4500 MT	3500 MT

## [2] Norms for Vessels of Smaller Parcels:

The Tonnage shall be considered on Pro- Rata basis of the productivity norms which is mentioned in the last Circular.

Sir, to set the practical and achievable objective of productivity norms, kindly review and consider the above proposed norms, which will be helpful to the trade in achieving the standard norms. Hope, your good self will consider it positively looking to the current situation.

With best regards,

Teja Kangad

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The President

Kandla Custom Brokers' Association,

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