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All Ship Owners / Shipping Agents / Oil Companies
All Public Sector Undertakings / Govt. Companies
The Secretary General, Mumbai & Nhava Sheva
Ship Intermodal Agents Association
The Secretary, Sailing Vessels Association
The Secretary, Inland Vessel & Barge Owners Association
The Secretary, Federation of All Indian Sailing Vessels Association
The Director Group of Mumbai Barge Owners and
Small Ship Owners Association
The Indian Barge Owners Association.

Sub : Launching of Port Community System (PCS) – Finance Module.

While introducing the Port Community System, an opportunity has been taken to streamline and standardize the administrative procedures and systems prevailing in the Major Ports for documentation. Currently, the Port users are submitting online applications for obtaining approval for vessel profile, vessel Call Number (VCN), Berthing application and other vessel related messages. Based on the requirements and trial runs, the centralized software has been customized. Mumbai Port is now ready to introduce the finance messages including E-payment.

2. Mumbai Port is pleased to announce "Launching of Port Community System (PCS) – Finance Module and E-Payment" operations with immediate effect from 17.1.2012. In the initial stages, it is proposed to implement the Vessel, Container and Stevedore related charges. As far as cargo related charges are concerned, the software is still under development/testing in view of issues encountered on account of collection of octroi.

3. The salient features of finance module of PCS are -

- (i) With the existing user ID and Password the Vessel Agents and Owners select the respective services in finance module and submit the requisitions.
- (ii) The Port Users will have to feed data viz; expected arrival of the vessel, expected stay in Port and services to be availed Port etc., in the user friendly format and submit the same.

- (iii) Based on the information furnished, PCS would generate and communicate the report delineating the payment to be made as advance deposit based on the extant Scale of Rates (SOR) in place from 22.12.2011.
- (iv) Port Users will have to collate the figures transmitted by the system with their workings.
- (v) Port Users can make online payment through Union Bank of India, ICICI Bank, IDBI Bank, Axis Bank and HDFC Bank through the payment gateway, which will be transferred to Mumbai Port Trust with State Bank of India, Mumbai Main Branch.
- (vi) For collection of shortfalls against the bills, the payment can be made using "TOP UP PD" facility in PCS.
- (vii) Refunds will be centralized and be preferably made by Electronic Clearing System (ECS) after obtaining the necessary mandate forms.

4. Port Users are advised to install a proper security system for access through PCS and create few layers for authorization of transactions. Port Community System shall remain open 24x7 basis, however confirmation from Port against the request message will be done from 0800 hrs on all working days. The confirmation of the request message is valid till 2300 hrs on the same day.

5. All Port Users are requested to make maximum use of PCS for availing port services and save time.

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