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No. TM/IPORTMAN/488

Date : 23.11.2024

To

MANSA

BCBA

Trade Associations as per list.

**Sub: Implementation of Port EBS Initiative at
Mumbai Port Authority.**

**Ref: 1) Circular No. TM/IPORTMAN/177 dt. 14.05.2024
2) Circular No. TM/IPORTMAN/253 dt. 30.05.2024**

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(I) MbPA vide Trade Circular dated 14.05.2024 has informed about implementation of Port EBS and informed of the changes from the Port Users perspective. In this regard, one of the major changes as informed by 3(a) & 3(b) of the circular are reproduced below :

"3 (a) Vessel Agents :

- The Vessel Agents will be required to maintain Port Deposit (PD) Accounts with MbPA.
- All the vessel, cargo, and stevedoring charges will be payable in advance before the allotment of berth to the vessel.
- It will be the responsibility of the Vessel Agent to coordinate with respective importers/exporters or their representative CHBs to ensure that cargo-related charges (Wharfage) are paid before submission of berthing application.
- All Agencies/Port Users for Inland Vessels/Harbour Craft to close their old VCN and obtain fresh VCN in respect of vessels under the Inland Vessel Act, after implementation of IPORTMAN. In case the vessel is still in port, VCN closure will be done with a Dummy departure entry and a New VCN in Iportman will be opened with a Dummy Arrival. It is the responsibility of agencies to follow through.

- **For Vessels already in port Before implementation of IPORTMAN:** Advance payment to be done for covering all services till the time of the sailing of the vessel for all vessels in the Port before the date of implementation of IPORTMAN.

3 (b) Custom House Brokers :

- The Custom House Brokers to register with MbPA for New PD Account in EBS(IPORTMAN). Old account will be closed in due course and refund will be initiated after dues adjustment.
- All the cargo-related charges are required to be paid in advance prior to vessel berthing and CHBs may coordinate with the vessel agent in this regard.
- **For Vessels already in port Before implementation of IPORTMAN:** For the cargo arrived/to be Shipped through vessel having VCN generated prior to 31st May 2024, the delivery/ Shipment shall be carried out in OLD System (IPos) and payments for the same to be made in full through old PD Accounts. Top up of Old PD Account to be done before 31st May 2024.
- For the IPOS handling the cargo related documents will be required to be submitted by Email.”

(II) Now, in view of various representations received from the Trade, the Para 3 (a) and 3 (b) of Circular dated 14.05.2024 stands modified as below:

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- The Vessel Agents will be required to maintain Port Deposit (PD) Accounts with MbPA.
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3 (b) Custom House Brokers :

- The Custom House Brokers to register with MbPA for New PD Account in EBS(IPORTMAN). Old account will be closed in due course and refund will be initiated after dues adjustment. The CHB shall ensure payment of cargo related charges prior to approaching for delivery of cargo.
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- For the IPOS handling the cargo related documents will be required to be submitted by Email.

(III) All other details informed in the circular under reference remain same. It is requested to give wide publicity amongst all Trade.


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