



मुंबई पत्तन प्राधिकरण
Mumbai Port Authority



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CIRCULAR

To,
The President, Maritime Association of Nationwide Shipping Agencies - India (MANSA)
The President, Brihanmumbai Customs Brokers Association (BCBA)
The President, Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry
The Chairman, Federation of Freight Forwarders' Associations in India (FFFAI)
The President, Western India Shippers' Association (WISA)
The Chairman, Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO)
All India Importer's & Exporter's Association (AIIEA)
Indian National Ship Owners Association (INSOA)
All India Liquid Bulk Importers & Exporters Association (AILBIEA)
The President, Association of Multimodal Transport Operators' of India Indian Merchant Chambers
Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers Association (SIAMA)
ICC Shipping Association (ICCSA)
Indian Barge Owners Association

Dear Sirs,

Sub : Vessels/cargo arriving from Gulf Countries
being diverted to Mumbai Port.

The evolving situation in the West Asia region has begun to impact maritime logistics and vessel movements to and from Gulf Region. Shipping lines have indicated delays and possible rerouting of vessels, which may affect the movement of export cargo in the coming days. With a view to mitigate this impact, Mumbai Port has issued a Trade Circular on 07th March 2026 prescribing various facilitation measures to support EXIM trade and ensure smooth port operations during the affected period.


2. In continuation to the Trade Circular, Competent authority of Mumbai Port has accorded approval to the following:

- a. Permit discharge and temporary storage of cargo diverted from Persian Gulf ports at Mumbai Port with extension of free storage period from 3 days to 10 days, subject to compliance of Customs formalities. The cargo shall be cleared on payment of applicable charges after completion of 10 free days.
- b. Such cargoes may be provided storage under section 3.3(A)(II) of SOR in outlying areas. The concerned agents shall arrange shifting of cargo to designated outlying areas after obtaining necessary permissions from Customs, without any liability on Mumbai Port Authority.
- c. For Projects/General cargo, subject to availability in Docks, storage of such cargoes may be permitted in Docks under section 3.3(A)(II) of SOR.

d. The above scheme shall be implemented from the date of issuance of this circular, and shall be reviewed after a period of one month or such other period as may be directed by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways.

3. It is requested to give wide publicity among your members to avail the above scheme.

Yours faithfully,


(VIPIN MENOTH) 13.03.2026
TRAFFIC MANAGER

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