



VISAKHAPATNAM PORT AUTHORITY
TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT



No: ITRA/REV/FENV/
Dt: 20-02-2023

TRADE CIRCULAR NO- 1566

Sub: - Pollution control measures - Covering of Tarpaulin on cargo stacks / trucks carrying bulk cargoes - Restriction of 6 Mtrs. height of bulk Cargoes stacked in the open Yards - Sprinkling of water on the roads -Reg.

Ref: 1. This office circular No.1289, No: ITRA/REV/FENV/2823,Dt.16-07-2020.
2. This office Circular No.1520, No: ITRA/REV/FCIR/4941,Dt.06-10-2022

Further to the above circular letters cited, it is once again informed that some of the areas are found in the cargoes stacked beyond permissible heights and are not covered with good Tarpaulins. There were no proper sprinkling activities at the stacking points and on the roads.

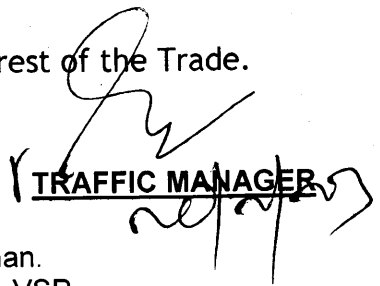
In view of the above, in order to mitigate the air pollution and environmental problems, it is once again requested to all the Trade concerned to take the following remedial measures, failing which it may not be possible to continue the Port services for renewal of plots and new allotments.

Covering of all bulk cargo stacks including steam coal with good tarpaulins.

- ❖ Stacking heights shall be maintained within the prescribed limits i.e. not more than 6 meters.
- ❖ Covering of trucks shall be strictly ensured besides maintaining the free board.
- ❖ Whenever any bulk cargo is to be back loaded in to the trucks /wagons, the handling agent shall ensure that no dust is raised. For suppression of dust, the handling agent has to ensure that the stacks are appropriately sprinkled and properly covered with good tarpaulins.
- ❖ Sprinkling of water with tankers should be ensured at the time of cargo handling activities both on cargo and on roads to suppress the dust to the possible extent.
- ❖ Frequency of water tankers sprinkling shall be increased during the cargo handling operations especially during the daytime to tune with high temperature and strong dry winds.
- ❖ Maintain 2 Meters distance between Railway track and Cargo staking area.
- ❖ Reduce fire on steam coal stacks and take preventive measures.

The above instructions are to be strictly complied with.

The above will come into effect immediately, in the best interest of the Trade.


TRAFFIC MANAGER

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