



VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST  
TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

No. ITRA/Gen/FSTY  
Dt. 29.12.2017

To  
All Steamer Agents

CIRCULAR - 834

Sub: Illegal Boarding of unknown persons at anchorage - reg

Off late, it has come to the notice that some miscreants / unknown persons are trying to board the vessels illegally at anchorage and sometimes while the ships are passing at anchorage, which is a security hazard.

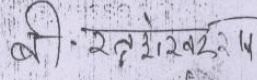
During the security meeting held on 28.12.2017 at VPT it has been decided to avoid such occurrence / recurrence of incidents by creating awareness amongst steamer agents as well as stake holders consent for avoiding such illegal boarding of the vessels at anchorage or anywhere within the vicinity of the Port.

Standard instructions already exists that none should board the vessels without the permission of Master or concern steamer agents of the vessels.

However, it is learnt that some Masters are freely allowing all and sundry to board their respective vessels for the purpose of directly purchasing goods. This is not only contrary to regulations since Customs permission also is mandatory for any such boarding at anchorage but is also a security hazard since anti-social elements also can board along with such un-authorized boarding.

Hence, all the steamer agents are requested to keep their respective Masters of the vessels informed much before the arrival of the vessels not to allow any unknown persons to board without due process. In case, if any such illegal activity is noticed / repeated, it is to inform all. VPT will be left with no option except initiating the action deemed fit viz., recommending for cancellation of the Agency Licence.

This may be strictly adhered to.

  
TRAFFIC MANAGER

Copy to: Sr.P.S. to Chairman for kind information Chairman  
Copy to: P.S. to Dy.Chairman for kind information of Dy.Chairman.  
Copy to: Dy.Conservator for information  
Copy to: Safety officer for information.

Copy to: Joint Director (R&P) for necessary action for hoisting on to VPT website

Copy to: Shipping Asst. for necessary action to sent email to all Trade