

VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST
TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

No.ITRA/GEN/F Parallel Bridge

Dt.04.09.2019

TRADE CIRCULAR No: 1146

Sub: Restrictions in movement of heavy vehicles on Sardar Valla Bhai Patel Bridge [Parallel Bridge] near the Naval Dock yard area

VPT has entrusted the work of Condition assessment and performance evaluation of the over bridges at VPT to CSIR-SERC, Chennai. The Consultant SERC had conducted field investigation, load tests etc on one of the overbridged of VPT namely Sardar Valla Bhai Patel Bridge [Parallel Bridge] near the Naval Dock yard area and have observed that the said bridge have very low rating and have suggested that the load on the bridge is required to be restricted to only Light Motor Vehicle [LMV] and no heavy vehicles like trucks, buses etc should be permitted to ply on the bridge.

In view of the above, Visakhapatnam Port Trust has proposed to restrict the movement of trucks, buses and other heavy vehicles to ply on the said bridge, with immediate effect, so as to avoid further damage to the bridge and to the public. However, VPT is providing necessary height gauge and signage on both sides of the bridge to restrict movement of heavy vehicles.

In this regard, further action for alternate road route for movement of vehicular traffic will be taken up by the district administration appropriately.

The above is for information of all Trade Members and Stakeholders for taking appropriate actions in respect of movement of their vehicles through the aforesaid area.


For, TRAFFIC MANAGER 04/09/2019

Copy to: The President, Visakhapatnam Stevedores Association / Visakhapatnam Steamship Association / Visakhapatnam C&F Agents Association, for information please.

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Copy to: Sr. P.S. to Chairman, for favour of information of Chairman

Copy to: P.S. to Dy. Chairman, for favour of information of Dy. Chairman

Copy to: C.E. for favor of information please. This has reference to his letter vide No.IENG/EE(West)/Bridges/2019

Copy to C.M.E/ Dy. Conservator / FA&CAO, I/C for favour of information please

Copy to: Joint Director, for information with a request to upload the Circular in VPT Website

Copy to: Sr. Dy. Traffic Managers / DTMs / Sr. ATMs, for information

Copy to: Dock Inspectors / QFs / AQFs for information and necessary action