



**VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST
TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT**



NO.ITRA/REV/FENV

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CIRCULAR NO.1289

Sub: Coverage of cargo stacks with tarpaulins – Spillage of cargo - Reg.
Ref: EXE(Rlys)'s Ir. NO. IENG/EE(Rlys)/Misc/2020/44, dt. 26.6.2020.

The various dry bulk cargoes are being handled at VPT, which are either stacked in the BOT Operators premises or at VPT's land allotted on license basis by this department. To avoid pollution, it is required not only to sprinkle water on the cargo stack covering them adequately with good tarpaulins but also avoid spillages of cargo to mitigate dust emission.

In view of the above, the concerned Port users are time and again stressed upon to maintain permissible heights of the stack, covering bulk cargo stacks with good quality tarpaulins to mitigate dust and air pollution as the same are an environmental hazard. However, of late, it is observed that along the Railway lines / tracks there are lot of spillage of cargo found and observed that cargo is stacked over Railway lines causing hindrance to traffic operations.

In view of the above, it is once again instructed to all concerned, to ensure that all bulk cargo stacks are covered with good quality tarpaulins and also to keep the cargo about 5 mtrs away from the track and also observe the bearing capacity of the soil and restrict the height of the stack and also to clear the infringement materials took placed on the track so as to avoid unnecessary derailments and make smooth operations of the cargo.

Yours faithfully,

TRAFFIC MANAGER

- C/- P.S to Chairman for favour of information of Chairman.
- C/- P.S to Dy.Chairman for favour of information of Dy. Chairman.
- c/- Task Force Team.
- C/- P.A to TM for kind information of Traffic Manager please.
- C/- The Chairman, Visakhapatnam Steamship Agents Association. VSP
- C/- The President, Visakhapatnam Stevedores Association, VSP
- C/- The President, Visakhapatnam Clearing & Forwarding Agents Association.
- C/- All Trade - for information.
- C/- Chief Engineer for information w.r.t. his letter under reference cited.
- c/- Environment cell for information and necessary action.
- C/- Joint Director (R&P) -for information and to post in Port web site.
- C/- ATM®/TI®/TI©/DI(G)/DI© for information and necessary action..