



कोलकाता पोर्ट ट्रस्ट  
KOLKATA PORT TRUST  
हल्दिया गोदी परिसर  
HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX  
शिपिंग एंड कार्गो हैंडलिंग प्रभाग  
Shipping & Cargo Handling Division



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### TRADE CIRCULAR

Sub: Relaxation in free time for storage of containers inside the port as well as withdrawal of threshold limit for granting priority in respect of calling/sailing of container vessel.

With a view to promote container traffic at Haldia Dock Complex, the Competent Authority of KoPT had approved the following promotional measures and the same was implemented w.e.f. 11.12.2015 for a period of six months:

- Free time for coastal import containers increased from 3 days to 20 days.
- Free time for loaded export / stock containers (except Hazardous-I containers) increased from 10 days to 20 days.
- Free time for empty containers increased from 3 days to 20 days.
- Coastal import containers will not be compulsorily removed to off-dock CFS.
- Waiver of shifting charges of Container Vessels from HDC to KDS and vice-versa.
- The threshold limit for granting priority to the container vessels was removed. Container carrying vessels intending to call HDC for loading / unloading of containers has been given priority in calling, at par with the import coal vessels intending to work with MHCs. The container vessels have also been given highest priority in sailing / shifting.

The Competent Authority of KoPT has reviewed the matter and extended the aforesaid promotional measures for a further period of one year w.e.f. 11.06.2016.

In addition to the above, for further promotion of coastal export of containerised traffic, the Competent Authority of KoPT has approved 7 days free time to the empty containers after entry / receiving in the Container terminal / Port premises in the event the same are taken out for the purpose of stuffing with coastal cargo and subsequent export through HDC. However, after expiry of the free time of 7 days ground rent will be applicable as per the rates prescribed in the existing SoR. The proposed free time for empty containers will not be extended if the same after stuffing are not exported through HDC.

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