



Indian Ports Association

File No. IPA/Legal/Con. Committee/2020

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The Chairmen,
All Major Port Authorities,
The CMD, KPL

Subject: Revision of Guidelines and reconstitution of Conciliation and Settlement Committee for settling contractual disputes under the contract / agreement with the contractors / concessionaires / consultants at the major ports

Madam/ Sir,

Kind attention is invited to IPA's letter of even number dated 05-10-2021 forwarding therewith revised guidelines for constitution of conciliation and settlement committee (CSC) together with the revised composition.

2. These guidelines were discussed in the 189th meeting of Governing Body of IPA held in New Delhi on 11-3-2022 (additional item number 3). After deliberations, the following decisions were taken:-

- (i). To revise the guidelines to provide for the travel of the Conciliators/Independent Experts by Executive Class only when the settlement is reached and the Conciliators travel to visit the port for signing the settlement.
- (ii). To revise the Guidelines to provide for constitution of CSC consisting of only two members/ conciliators instead of minimum three in those cases where the amount in dispute is less than ₹ 1 crore.

3. It is, therefore, requested that the aforesaid changes/ amendment may please be included in the CSC guidelines to be issued by the major ports. It is also requested that the major ports which are yet to constitute the CSC may formally constitute the same on priority under intimation to IPA.

4. As CSC has become fully functional and has since decided/settled some cases, it is requested that the ports may please start referring the cases of dispute to the CSC for settlement on priority under intimation to IPA.

Yours faithfully,

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Chief Administrative Officer