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Sub: Compliance of Dock Workers (Safety, Health & Welfare) Act 1986 and Regulations, 1990 – requirement for the issue of wharf entry permit reg.

1. All the stake holders of Cochin Port are well aware that the cargo handling operations at the port's premises (Docks/Wharves/Sheds/CFS etc.), is governed by the provisions of Dock Workers (Safety, Health & Welfare) Act 1986 and Regulations, 1990. The meeting of 90th Safety Committee constituted under the provision of Reg. 114 of the said statues held on 28.04.2021 has decided to enforce strict compliance of Regulations 73, 107 and 111 on all private dock workers engaged in the dock work. Accordingly, Wharf/ Dock entry permits issued for the private workers will be restricted to only for those who comply with the Dock Safety regulations 73, 107 and 111 and the certificate on medical examination and training shall be mandatorily submitted at the time of applying for Wharf Entry permits. The Wharf Entry permit so issued, shall be seized/cancelled, if any worker is found violating/not complying with these requirements.

2. Therefore, while deploying / engaging private workers for dock work inside the port's premises (docks/wharves/sheds/CFS etc.), it shall be the responsibility of the Chairman, Kerala Headload Workers' Welfare Board (with regard to the workers registered on their roll) and the Stevedores/Shore Handling Agents/Custom House Brokers's (with regard to the workers/supervisors/cargo handling equipment drivers, etc. on their employment) and other service providers engaged by them, to ensure the compliance with the requirements of the provisions of Dock Workers (Safety, Health & Welfare) Act 1986 and Regulations, 1990; more particularly the following provisions of the Regulation has to be strictly complied with:

- a. As per Regulation 73, all Dock workers have to wear Personal Protective equipment at the work site.
- b. As per Regulation 107, all Dock workers has to undergo initial and periodical medical examination at CoPT Hospital or empanelled doctors of DGFASLI and produce a copy of the Medical certificate in the prescribed proforma annually for the workers engaged by them for cargo handling works.
- c. As per Regulation 111, all Dock workers have to undergo initial and periodic Safety Training.

3. In view of the above and the decision taken during the 90th Safety Committee Meeting, the Chairman, KHWWB, W/Island Area is requested to ensure the compliance of the above statutory requirements with regard to all the workers registered under KHWWB Scheme in Port Premises. Similarly, the respective Stevedores/Shore handling agents/CHA's are requested to ensure the compliance with regard to the workers/supervisors/drivers (of all types of cargo handling equipment including vehicles used for inter-carting). Operators of high risk cargo handling equipments such as FLT, Pay loaders, dozers, Mobile crane operators, etc being engaged by Stevedores/Shore handling agents/Customs House Brokers and other service providers engaged by them are also required to comply with the above regulatory requirements.

4. It is further informed that a grace period of three months is granted, from the date of issue of this Trade Notice, to ensure that all the workers registered with the KHWWB/ Stevedores/Shore Handling Agents/CHA's and other service providers engaged by them are medically examined and trained. KHWWB shall also arrange to immediately issue safety gears to all the workers on their rolls who are requisitioned and engaged by various Stevedores for dock work in the port's premises.

This Trade Notice may be shared/circulated to all members of the trade and the business associates for their information and compliance.


11th May 2021
यातायात प्रबंधक/TRAFFIC MANAGER

To

The Chairman, KHWWB-Willingdon Island Area
All Licensed Stevedores and Shore-handling Agents of Cochin Port Trust
President, Cochin Customs House Brokers' Association
President, Cochin Steamer Agents Association

Copy for kind information to:

- Office of the Chairperson, Cochin Port
- Office of the Dy. Chairperson, Cochin Port
- Chief Medical Officer, Cochin Port - with a request to facilitate the medical check-up of the workers as and when KHWWB and/or the Stevedores / or any other employer on the request.
- CME/Safety Officer – with a request to devise the requisite safety training programme and intimate to the Chairman, KHWWB/Stevedores/ any other employer
- Shri K.P. Sreekumar, AAD(S), IDS Cochin
- Sr.DTM/DTM/Sr.ATM (E&O), Traffic Deptt.
- Asst. Commandant, CISF
- Sr.DD(EDP) - for hosting on Cochin Port Website
- Hindi Section - for translation
- PA to the Traffic Manager – to circulate amongst all Trade Bodies/Associations/ Chambers of Commerce associated with the port.