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Tariff Authority for Major Ports

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 48 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963 (38 of 1963), the Tariff Authority for Major Ports hereby extends the validity of the existing composite rate for on-board labour in lieu of levy and Other charges of Cargo Handling Division of Kandla Port Trust (KDLB) as in the Order appended hereto.

(Rani Jadhav)
Chairperson
This case deals with the extension of the validity of the existing composite rate for on-board labour in lieu of levy & Other charges of Cargo Handling Division of Kandla Port Trust (KDLB).

2.1. The Authority has passed an Order No. TAMP/37/2007-KPT dated 25 March 2011 approving the proposal of Kandla Port Trust to fix the composite rate for on-board labour in lieu of levy of other charges of its cargo handling division on a commodity wise per tonne basis and incorporate it as clause 3 in Chapter III of the KPT’s Scale of Rates. This Order was notified in the Gazette of India Extraordinary (Part III Section 4) on 5 May 2011 vide Gazette No. 94.

2.2. The Authority had approved the rates for on-board labour for a period of one year i.e. upto 31 March 2012 and had advised KPT to submit a well analyzed proposal by 31 December 2011 for the rates to be applied with effect from 1 April 2012.

3. In this backdrop, the KPT vide its letter dated 30 March 2012 has, interalia, submitted that the proposal for fixation of revised per ton rate for on-board labour of Cargo Handling Division of KPT is under consideration. The KPT has proposed to discuss with the Trade to arrive at consensus before finalization of revision of per tonne rate for on-board labour. A such, the KPT has requested this Authority to allow it to continue to collect at existing rate provisionally for a further period of three months i.e. upto 30 June 2012 and that the proposal for revision retrospectively with effect from 1 April 2012 will be submitted after discussion with Unions/Trade & Board.

4. Considering the submission made by KPT that its proposal for fixation of revised per ton rate for on-board labour is under consideration, the Authority is inclined to accede to the request made by KPT to extend the validity of the rates for on-board labour beyond 31 March 2012 upto 30 June 2012. Additional surplus, if any, that may accrue to KPT during the extended period of validity will be adjusted fully in the tariff to be fixed. Retrospective revision of tariff w.e.f. 1 April 2012, as suggested by KPT, may be considered, based on justifications to be furnished by the KPT, in the proceedings to be initiated based on the proposal to be filed by the Port.

5. The KPT is advised to file its proposal for fixation of on-board labour by 30 April 2012.

(Rani Jadhav)
Chairperson