

TARIFF AUTHORITY FOR MAJOR PORTS

NOTIFICATION

No.TAMP/1/2000-Genl. - In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 49 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963 (38 of 1963), the Tariff Authority for Major Ports hereby notifies the unit for berth hire charges from 24-hours to 8-hours for common adoption by all the Major Ports as in the Order appended hereto.

Case No. TAMP/1/2000-Genl.

ORDER

(Passed on this 11th day of January 2000)

The issue regarding reduction of the minimum unit of 24-hour for berth hire into a smaller unit has been engaging the attention of the Authority.

2. The Chennai Workshop (February 1998) adopted a unanimous Guideline on this point. Guideline No.40 reads as follows:

“ There have been problems relating to delays both in berthing and at berths. The TAMP must find a way of dealing with both these problems. Even in respect only of delays at berths, there are two types of problems-damages caused by loss of ship time and irrational application of berth hire charges. Even if it is not possible for the TAMP to go into issues like damages caused by loss of ship time, it must definitely go into the other issue and rationalise berth hire charges. Instead of the current practice of denoting berth hire charges on 24-hour basis it will be more realistic to adopt a ‘8-hourly’ charge.”

3. Taking a cue from the Guideline, the MBPT has already amended the composite berth hire charge on an 8-hour basis instead of the existing 24-hour basis. This has been adopted also in the case of the MBPT’s MOT berth. The TPT has also reduced the unit of berth hire charges from 24-hours to 8-hours in conformity with our Guideline on this issue. In the cases of the CHPT and PPT also, in the context of their proposal relating to comprehensive revision of tariffs, it has been decided to introduce the same provision.

4. Taking all the facts into consideration and after a collective application of mind, the Authority hereby decides to reduce the unit of berth hire charges from the present 24-hours to 8-hours commonly for all the Major Ports.

5. All the Major Port Trusts (except MBPT and TPT) are hereby directed to introduce appropriate changes accordingly in their Scale of Rates.

S.SATHYAM, Chairman

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