Tariff Authority for Major Ports

G.No.180    New Delhi,    25 May 2015

NOTIFICATION


(T.S. Balasubramanian)  
Member (Finance)
Tariff Authority for Major Ports
No. TAMP/21/2009 - WS

QUORUM

(i). Shri. T.S. Balasubramanian, Member (Finance)
(ii). Shri. Chandra Bhan Singh, Member (Economic)

ORDER
(Passed on this 15th day of May 2015)

The ‘Guidelines for Regulation of Tariff at Major Ports, 2004’ were notified in the Gazette of India on 31 March 2005 vide Gazette No.39 by this Authority in compliance of policy directions issued by the Government of India under section 111 of the Major Port Trusts’ Act, 1963. These guidelines came into effect from 31 March 2005 and as stipulated in clause 1.2 of the guidelines, remained in force for a period of 5 years, i.e. up to 31 March 2010, unless reviewed earlier or extended by this Authority.

2. As advised by the Government of India in the Ministry of Shipping this Authority extended the validity of the ‘Guidelines for Regulation of Tariff at Major Ports, 2004’ from time to time and the last extension till 31 December 2014 or until further orders, whichever is earlier, was notified in the Gazette of India on 20 October 2014 vide G.No.295 vide our Order dated 8 October 2014.

3. In the meantime, the Ministry of Shipping (MOS) vide its letter No. 8(1)/2014-TAMP dated 13 January 2015 issued a Tariff Policy for Major Port Trusts called “Policy for Determination of Tariff for Major Port Trusts, 2015” in exercise of powers conferred on it by Section 111 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963, and directed the Authority to act accordingly with immediate effect. Accordingly, the Tariff Policy for Major Port Trusts called “Policy for Determination of Tariff for Major Port Trusts, 2015” has been notified in the Gazette of India Extraordinary (Part III Section 4) on 27 January 2015 vide Gazette No.30. The said Tariff Policy for Major Port Trusts, 2015 came into immediate effect i.e. from 13 January 2015, as directed by the MOS vide its letter dated 13 January 2015.

4. The Government of India in the Ministry of Shipping, vide its letter No.PR-14019/20/2009-PG(pt-II) dated 2 January 2015 [received by us on 18 April 2015], has extended the validity of the ‘Guidelines for Regulation of Tariff at Major Ports, 2004’ till 31 March 2015 or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

5. Accordingly, the validity of the ‘Guidelines for Regulation of Tariff at Major Ports, 2004’ is extended for –

(i) Major Port Trusts from 1 January 2015 to 12 January 2015; and,

(ii) For Private Terminal Operators operating at Major Ports presently governed under 2005 guidelines from 1 January 2015 to 31 March 2015 or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

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