NOTIFICATION

In compliance of a policy direction issued by the Government of India under section 111 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963 (38 of 1963) and in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 48, 49 and 50 of the said Act, the Tariff Authority for Major Ports hereby partially amends its earlier Order No. TAMP/4/2004-Genl dated 7 January 2005 to exclude iron ore and iron ore pellets from the concessional cargo related charges for coastal trade, as in the Order appended hereto.

( A.L. Bongirwar )
Chairman
TARIFF AUTHORITY FOR MAJOR PORTS

ORDER
(Passed on this 15th day of March 2005)

In compliance of a policy direction issued by the Government of India under section 111 of the Major Port Trusts Act to prescribe concessional rates for coastal cargo/containers/vessels related charges, this Authority passed an Order on 7 January 2005 to amend the Scale of Rates of all the major port trusts and private terminal operators by inserting a set of general conditionalities. This Order was notified in the Gazette of India on 12 January 2005 under Gazette No. 3.

2. Insofar as the concessions in cargo/container related charges to coastal cargo/containers are concerned, the following prescription, inter alia, was made in the general conditionalities introduced:

“2.1. The cargo/container related charges for all coastal cargo/containers, other than thermal coal and POL including crude oil, should not exceed 60% of the normal cargo/container related charges.”

3. The Government of India in the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways (MSRT&H) has considered a representation made by Visakhapatnam Port Trust and decided to exempt iron ore and iron ore pellets from the directions for concessional charges for coastal trade. The MSRT&H has accordingly, vide its letter No. PR-14019/29/2001-PG dated 09 March, issued another policy direction under section 111 of the MPT Act to this Authority to exempt iron ore and iron ore pellets from the operation of its earlier order of 7 January 2005 with immediate effect.

4. This Authority accordingly amends the general conditionality No. 2.1 prescribed in para 5 of its earlier Order dated 7 January 2005 as follows:

“2.1. The cargo/container related charges for all coastal cargo/containers, other than thermal coal, POL including crude oil, iron ore and iron ore pellets, should not exceed 60% of the corresponding charges for normal cargo/container related charges.”

5. All the major port trusts and private terminals are directed to amend their Scale of Rates accordingly.

6. The amended provision shall come into effect immediately on its notification in the Gazette of India.

( A.L. Bongirwar )
Chairman