## VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

No: ITRA/ROC/FCIR

Dt: 13.08.2019

## CIRCULAR No: 1140

## **ALL PORT RAIL USERS**

Dear Sirs,

Sub: Registration of Railway Wagon Demands commensurate to the stock available-Reg.

Ref: This office Circular No: 1134, issued vide Lr No:ITRA/ROC/FCIR, Dt: 26-07-2019.

In continuation to this office circular cited, it is once again mentioned that during the past few months, the supply of Open Rakes to Visakhapatnam Port (VPT) and its terminals, by Indian Railways, for evacuating import bulk cargoes has been relatively high. However, to match the supply, the importers, terminals & handling agents shall also ensure that sufficient number of open wagon demands, commensurate to the cargo stocks available, is registered.

However, it is observed that the Open Wagon Demands at VPT as well as at the Terminals (VSPL, VGCBPL, and AVCTPL) have drastically reduced and this may result in Indian Railways diverting Open Rakes from VPT, which will result in drop in supply of Open Rakes to VPT & its Terminals.

Further, it is also observed that there is huge stock of all bulk cargoes at VPT & its Terminal stack yards & therefore all are requested to ensure **REGISTERING OPEN WAGON DEMANDS** commensurate to the cargo stocks available, for ensuring that the supply of open rakes to VPT & Terminals does not reduce.

It is also not out of place to mention that VPT as well as the Terminal storage areas are full and there is heavy pipeline of vessels calling at VPT. Unless the existing cargo is evacuated, VPT as well as the Terminals will not be able to accept further cargo and in addition, may also result in environmental concerns.

The current scenario of supply of open rakes by Indian Railways is encouraging and therefore all concerned should make efforts to utilize the same by registering more Open Wagon demands for evacuating the existing cargo and create space for the cargo which are due to arrive from the vessels in pipe line.

In view of the above, it is once again requested to all concerned to <u>REGISTER</u>

OPEN WAGON DEMANDS commensurate to the cargo stocks available.

TRAFFIC MANAGER

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Copy to : PA to Dy. Chairman for kind information of Dy. Chairman.

Copy to : President, Visakhapatnam Stevedores Association, for information and immediate necessary action.

Copy to: Secretary, Visakhapatnam Steamship Agents Assocaition, for information and immediate necessary action.

Copy to : Secretary, Visakhapatnam Charter Ship Agents Association, for information and immediate necessary action.

Copy to : President, Visakhapatnam Customs Clearing & Forwarding Agents Association, for information and immediate necessary action.

Copy to : CE / CME / FA&CAO / MM (PMU) for information please.

Copy to: Joint Director (R&P) for necessary action for hoisting on to VPT website.

Copy to: M/s VSPL M/s VGCBPL/M/s AVCTPL, with a request for ensuring sufficient Open Wagon Demands are registered.