## VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

## No.ITRA/SSR/Cir/14

Dt. 11-2014

## CIRCULAR - 517

Sub: Pollution on account of handling of Coal - Reg.

Please find the enclosed various local newspaper clippings on the subject forwarded by Secretary, VPT.

Pollution on account of handling of Coal is increasing day by day although several measures taken-up by Traffic Department have not fetched any good result. The issue has been discussed by Chairman during the recent Weekly HODs meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> instant. During the meeting Chairman expected to take a strong measure by the officials of Traffic Department by way of issuing notice followed by invoking penalty clause such as; imposing un-authorised occupation etc. are to be carried out in time bound manner. In this regard, various circulars have been issued by this department to the Port users on 19.03.2010, 14.06.2011; 07.05.2013, 25.07.2013, 20.11.2013, 02.05.2014, 26.05.2014, 11.07.2014 & 05.09.2014

All traffic officers have to make meticulous inspection and find out at least one chronic defaulter of non-adopting pollution control measures in their rented plots shall be identified and inform the undersigned for further course of action. Upon receipt of such reports, Sr. D.T.M. shall issue a notice to vacate the plot for non-adopting pollution control measures to the plot holders failing which UAO clause may be imposed on them with a copy to Chairman. Unless all these stringent measures are meticulously followed, it is feared that VPT may tollow the experience of Chennai Port Trust losing the entire Coal traffic by VPT and it might drastically put VPT in a very bad state in respect of financial position.

St.D.T.M. is expected to take immediate action on the above and furnish a report on daily basis to the undersigned with a copy to Chairman, VPT.

TRAFFIC MANAGER