



Ports and
Logistics

Trade notice: AP(D)PL/11/2026

Date: 21.08.2026

To,

All Stakeholders/Shipping Agents/Customers,

Dahej.

Subject: Advance Payment of Vessel Related Charges (VRC) and Issuance of No Dues Certificate (NDC)

It has been observed that, in several instances, the requisite **Vessel Related Charges (VRC)** are not being deposited in advance or are maintained at insufficient levels prior to vessel sailing. Such instances result in delays in reconciliation of port dues and consequently delay the issuance of the **No Dues Certificate (NDC)**, which is a prerequisite for completion of vessel departure formalities.

"As per **Clause 3.2 of the BPTS Guidelines**, vessel agents are required to pay in advance all charges as per the **PAA** raised by the Port. The first PAA is generated based on the berth hours declared by the agent, subject to a minimum berth stay of 24 hours."

To ensure smooth vessel operations and timely completion of sailing formalities, all Shipping Agents, Charterers, Receivers, and concerned Stakeholders are hereby advised to:

1. Maintain adequate advance payment towards VRC and all other applicable port charges throughout the vessel call.
2. Ensure that any shortfall in advance payment is replenished immediately upon notification by the Port.
3. Settle all outstanding port dues well in advance of the vessel's scheduled sailing.
4. Coordinate closely with the Port Operation Centre and Port Accounts Department to avoid any discrepancies in payment status.
5. Shipping Agents shall continuously monitor the payment position and ensure that sufficient balance is available to cover all applicable charges.

Failure to comply with the above requirements, including maintenance of the requisite advance payment as prescribed under Clause 3.2 of the BPTS Guidelines, may constrain the Port from processing and issuing the No Dues Certificate (NDC) until such compliance is achieved. The Port shall not be responsible for any delays, costs, demurrage, detention, or consequential claims arising therefrom.

All concerned are requested to accord this matter highest priority and ensure strict compliance in the interest of efficient port operations.

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