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(Fully Solar Powered)





No. NMPA/DTM(N)/2024/P.Users/PPP Op.

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TRADE NOTICE

Sub: Advisory on South-West Monsoon for Port Users and PPP Terminals.

District Commandant (JG), Coast Guard forwarded an advisory vide File No. 100/2 dated 29-05-2024 on South-West Monsoon, which is enclosed for compliance. All are hereby requested to take various measures mentioned in the above advisory of Coast Guard to mitigate untoward marine accidents.

In view of the onset of South-West monsoon, it is also advised to take all necessary safety precautions to safeguard and prevent damage/loss to property and human lives. Adequate measures are to be taken by the Port users and the PPP Terminals to ensure safety of people and safety of equipment/vehicles. Precautions to ensure safe handling of cargo at berth, yard and Railway sidings during monsoon have to be taken. Some of the common safety precautions and checks to be undertaken are given below:

- 1. Ensure that any structures, cranes, equipments, sheets and other materials shall be secured firmly during inclement weather.
- 2. Cargo stacks should be kept adequately covered with tarpaulin and garland of bags must be placed around to prevent slippages of cargo to drain. The Users shall make arrangements to clean the road and drains falling in their jurisdiction regularly.
- 3. The PPP Terminal Operators having offices inside the Port has to ensure that damaged /broken window panes and doors etc. should be repaired to prevent water getting into electrical rooms/ cabins/equipment rooms which may cause serious damage to the systems. Also prevent seepage of water into equipment rooms.
- 4. Necessary maintenance work of the installations by the PPP Terminals may be carried out after taking necessary approval from Fire and safety division.
- 5. Check the metal stairs, railing etc in the terminals/facility and if corroded the same needs to be replaced/painted and maintained before monsoon.
- 6. All catch water drains and side drains must be clear of silt, vegetation and other obstruction to ensure free flow of water.
- 7. Working of all standby power supply has to be ensured by the PPP Terminal Operators.

In addition to the above, any other safety measures as deemed appropriate with regard to inclement weather preparedness may be undertaken by the Port Users and the PPP terminals.

Encl: As above.

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- All HoDs/ DC, CISF for information
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- Sr.DTM/DTM/ATM Gr.1 (Opn.)/ ATM Gr.1 (Comm.)/SO for necessary action
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ADVISORY ON SOUTH-WEST MONSOON

1. Refer to Headquarters, Coast Guard Region (West) fax 712/1 fax 27 May 24 (Not addressed to all).

- 2. As per the IMD Tropical weather forecast, the South West Monsoon is likely to set in the west coast by end May/early Jun and formation of low-pressure area, depression over Arabian sea and surging of waves in low lying area of coasts are common phenomenon prior and with onset of monsoon.
- 3. The year gone by has witnessed exponential increase in number of groundings, collision of vessels, major fire onboard vessels, fishing boats getting stuck in cyclones, sunken passenger vessels and beach drowning cases etc. the frequent occurrence of disasters in our coastal waters, anchorage, fairways and roadsteads are not only threatening the safety of precious lives and property, but also are detrimental to the smooth functioning of major/minor ports, which are the bedrocks of rapid economic growth of the country. Further, most of the accidents and disasters in our water are attributable to unseaworthiness of vessels, absence of basic lifesaving equipment and negligence of crew in adherence to safety protocols in bad weather conditions.
- 4. To Prevent such rampant occurrence of similar disasters in future, efficient 'Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS)' of all sea going vessels and crew is considered essential. In order to have coordinated response towards preparations and institute precautionary measures for rough weather/ sea conditions. Following measures may be considered to mitigate such untoward marine incidents:
 - (a) Ensure seaworthiness of all sea going vessels at all time and concurrent accountability in terms of vulnerability to impending weather conditions.
 - (b) Ensure compliance to provisions of SOLAS Convention w.r.t personal safety equipment/ protocol by all sea going vessels at all time.
 - (c) Ensure strict adherence to weather warnings and prohibitory orders by all vessels. Respective District collectors, SP (CSP), Ports and other local authorities are to educate fishermen refrain from fishing during rough season and ban period.
 - (d) Sensitize fishing associations/ fishermen of all Coastal Districts to utilize the ban period for undertaking necessary maintenance/ repairs of machineries/ engine routines of boats alongwith one-time seaworthiness checks prior proceeding for fishing post lifting of uniform ban.
 - (e) Emphasis may be given towards arranging adequate lifesaving equipment onboard i.e. lifejacket, life buoy, DATs, communication equipment like VHF sets.
 - (f) District Fisheries officials, State Administration and marine police are requested to advice fishermen through meeting/ suitable directives to fishing associations/ societies regarding strict adherence to the uniform fishing ban and maintain accountability for number of fishing boats and direct fishermen to refrain venturing from sea.
 - (g) Every fishing harbour to keep one boat earmarked for SAR on daily roster basis.
- 5. Further, it is requested that necessary directives may be issued to all concerned for strengthening the safety regime and preparedness. Monsoon preparedness meeting will be held at this HQs conference room at 1100 hrs on 04 Jun 24. All boat owners, fishermen association leaders are requested to attend alongwith administration and Fisheries officials.

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