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Whereas, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India has issued Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 24/03/2020 to impose a complete lockdown in India for a period of 21 days in view of the threat posed by the spread of COVID-19 epidemic.

2. Whereas, the Ministry of Home Affairs has vide its Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 25/03/2020 issued an addendum to the guidelines annexed to the said order, exempting seaports and its operational organizations from this lockdown to ensure regular supply of goods in the country.

3. Whereas, the Government is working towards smooth functioning of the Ports and its operational organizations, some delay in evacuation of the goods from the ports have become inevitable due to the disturbance of the downstream services.

4. Whereas, as a result of these developments some cargo owners have either suspended their operations or are finding it difficult to transport goods and complete the paper work resulting in detention of containers / cargo without their fault.

5. There is, however, a need to suspend imposition of any container / cargo detention charges for a limited period to give relief to the importers / exporters for smooth functioning of the trade and maintenance of supply chain in the country.

6. Now therefore, in order to maintain proper supply lines at Hyderabad Airport and ICD's and to facilitate unhindered cargo movement, the Custodians are advised not to impose and collect any detention charges on EXIM cargo on shipments for the period 24/03/2020 to 14/04/2020 (both days inclusive) over and above free time arrangement that is currently agreed and available as part of any negotiated contractual terms. As a onetime measure to deal with the present disruption caused during this period, the Custodians are also advised not to impose any new or additional charges in the wake of the situation arising due to COVID-19 outbreak.


(J.S.Chandrashekar)
Principal Commissioner

To,
All the Custodians, Hyderabad Customs Commissionerate.

Copy to:
The Chief Commissioner of GST and Customs, Hyderabad Zone, Hyderabad.



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Whereas, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India has issued Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 24/03/2020 to impose a complete lockdown in India for a period of 21 days in view of the threat posed by the spread of COVID-19 epidemic.


2. Whereas, the Ministry of Home Affairs has vide its Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 25/03/2020 issued an addendum to the guidelines annexed to the said order, exempting seaports and its operational organizations from this lockdown to ensure regular supply of goods in the country.

3. Whereas, the Government is working towards smooth functioning of the Ports and its operational organizations, some delay in evacuation of the goods from the ports have become inevitable due to the disturbance of the downstream services.

4. Whereas, as a result of these developments some cargo owners have either suspended their operations or are finding it difficult to transport goods and complete the paper work resulting in detention of containers / cargo without their fault.

5. Whereas, the Ministry of Shipping, Government of India has directed all the major ports vide F.No. PD – 14300/4/2020 –PD VII dated 31/03/2020 to consider exemption or remission of demurrage, ground rent beyond allowed free period, penal anchorage / berth hire charges and any other performance related penalties that may be levied on port related activities for the reasons attributed to lock down measures i.e from 22nd March to 14th April, 2020.

6. Whereas, Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai vide Order No.07 of 2020 dated 29/03/2020 has been issued advising on non-charging of container detention charges on import and export shipments. Since it has been decided to grant exemption or remission on the charges as indicated at para 5 above by the major ports, there is a need to suspend imposition of any container / cargo detention charges for a limited period to give relief to the importers / exporters for smooth functioning of the trade and maintenance of supply chain in the country.



7. Now therefore, in order to maintain proper supply lines at Hyderabad ICD's and to facilitate unhindered cargo movement, the Shipping Lines are advised not to impose and collect any container detention charges on EXIM cargo on shipments for the period 24/03/2020 to 14/04/2020 (both days inclusive) over and above free time arrangement that is currently agreed and available as part of any negotiated contractual terms. As a onetime measure to deal with the present disruption caused during this period, the Shipping Lines are also advised not to impose any new or additional charges in the wake of the situation arising due to COVID-19 outbreak.


(J.S.Chandrashekar)
Principal Commissioner

To:

1. All stakeholders concerned.
2. The Custodians (ICD, Sanathnagar and ICD, Thimmapur), Hyderabad – for information.
3. All the Shipping Lines.
4. The Customs Brokers Association, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

1. The Chief Commissioner of GST and Customs, Hyderabad Zone, Hyderabad.
2. The Deputy Commissioner of Customs, (ICD, Sanathnagar and ICD, Thimmapur).