



Dear Sir.

Date: 08th May, 2021

Sub: Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) - Second Wave - Invocation and notification of Force Majeure event at Karaikal Port

By a notification with Ref No.104/PSEC/COVID19/2021 dated 07-May-2021 the Government of Puducherry has declared full curfew from 10th May, 2021 (midnight) upto 24th May, 2021 (midnight). Further, by a news release dated 8-May-2021 the Government of Tamil Nadu has declared full curfew from 4.00 am on 10-May-2021 to 4.00 am on 24-May-2021. In the light of the above, kindly be notified that Karaikal Port's operations / performance (including but not limited to unloading, loading, receipt and dispatches) are being severely affected. In the circumstances, Karaikal Port Pvt. Ltd. ("KPPL") hereby invokes Force Majeure at its Port at Karaikal effective from 0000 Hrs on 10th May 2021 and notifies you of the same. Please be further notified that in terms of the Agreement executed between us, inter alia, the Force Majeure provisions stipulated therein, KPPL shall not be responsible for any claims whatsoever, arising out of and / or connected to the above Force Majeure event, either directly or indirectly, which without any limitation would include vessel demurrages, inter alia due to Pre-Berthing or any other Delays of whatsoever nature and accordingly the Discharge Rate Guaranteed under the Agreement shall also not be applicable for all vessels to be handled at Karaikal Port during the Force Majeure period. Supply chain of several critical parts and spares that are crucial for the operation of the port equipment is also likely to be impacted.

In due course, KPPL shall notify of the "Cessation of Force Majeure" based on further notifications / directives from the Central Government and State Governments as the case may be. Kindly note and be guided accordingly.

This is for your kind information and record. Thanking you and assuring you of our best services at all times.

For M/s Karaikal Port Private Limited

Chief Operating Office

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