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Tariff Authority for Major Ports

G.No. 16

New Delhi, 20 February, 2003

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 49 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963 (38 of 1963), the Tariff Authority for Major Ports hereby approves the proposal of the Visakhapatnam Port Trust relating to fixation of charges for 60T road weigh bridges as in the Order appended hereto.

(A.L. Bongirwar)
Chairman

Tariff Authority for Major Ports
Case No. TAMP/83/2002 - VPT

The Visakhapatnam Port Trust

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Applicant

ORDER

(Passed on this 4th day of February 2003)

This case relates to a proposal received from the Visakhapatnam Port Trust (VPT) about fixation of charges for 60T road weigh bridge.

2.1. The VPT has mentioned that the existing Scale of Rates, which came in to effect from 4 June 2001 does not specify the charges for weighment of cargoes using 60T road bridge of the VPT. The rates were, however, prescribed for this item in the previous Scale of Rates. It has, therefore, requested this Authority to accord a 15% increase in the pre-revised rates for supply of 60T road weigh bridge in line with the 15% increase approved by this Authority over the pre-revised rates in respect of other equipment at the time of the last general revision.

2.2. The VPT has stated that the proposed rates are already being levied by it on adhoc basis in pursuance of this Authority's common adoption order allowing the port to levy the proposed rates on adhoc basis rates till the rates are finalised by this Authority in absence of a specific rate in the Scale of Rates.

3. In accordance with the consultative procedure adopted, the concerned port users/representative bodies of port users were consulted. The Visakhapatnam Custom Clearing Agents Association in its comments has mentioned that the proposal is quite reasonable and it has no objection to accept the same.

4. A joint hearing in this case was held on 21 January 2003 at the VPT premises. At the joint hearing, all the users present unanimously endorsed the proposal of the VPT.

5. The proposal of the VPT seeks reintroduction of the entry relating to tariffs for road weigh bridges with a 15% increase over the pre-revised rates in line with the increase approved by this Authority at the time of last general revision for various other equipment. Since all the users have also unanimously endorsed the proposal this Authority is inclined to approve the proposal of the VPT.

6. In the result, and based on a collective application of mind, this Authority approves the following rates for use of 60 Ton Road weighbridges of the VPT:

(i).	Per Truck (loaded or empty)	-	Rs.11.50
(ii).	Per Trailer (empty)	-	Rs.11.50
(iii).	Per Trailer (loaded)	-	Rs.23/-

7. The VPT is directed to include the approved rates in its Scale of Rates appropriately.

(A.L. Bongirwar)
Chairman