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BERTHING INSTRUCTIONS FOR RORO VESSELS HANLDING AT KPL’S GENERAL CARGO BERTH

The Trade is hereby informed that, new Berthing instructions have been framed in order to avoid the delay in berthing of vessels calling at KPL’s General Cargo Berth due to the bunching of vessels arriving during the month end. The Berthing instructions are as follows:

1. Port follows First Come First Serve Basis for berthing of vessels. However, Expected Time of Arrival (ETA) declared by the Steamer Agents daily at 10:30 hrs prior to 24 hrs of vessel arrival will be the cutoff time for consideration of berth allotment subject to the completion of cargo clearances at that time.

2. If the cargo clearances have not been completed, then the priority will be given to the follow-up vessel where the cargoes clearances are completed.

3. This instruction is necessitated for shifting of cars from Car parking yard to Berth to reduce the Turn Round Time of the vessel.

4. The false declaration of ETA by the Steamer Agents to reserve the berth allotment will lose the priority in berthing.

The Steamer Agents who are handling the RoRo vessels at General Cargo Berth requested to adhere to the aforesaid instructions for hassle free berthing of vessels. Further, Steamer Agents are requested to attend the Berth allotment meeting convened by the Traffic division on all the working days at 10:30 hrs for effective berth allotment.

Notwithstanding the instructions mentioned above regarding the priority in the allotment of berth, the Chief Manager (Traffic) shall have the discretion to arrange the berthing of vessels in any particular manner, if he finds that such arrangement will facilitate the best use of the berth or that such arrangement will serve the general interest of Shipping to the best advantage.

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