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## **CIRCULAR**

Sub: Precautions to be taken by vessels alongside the berth during Monsoon / Rough Weather.

The vessels in light condition may experience surging and swaying alongside the berth resulting breaking of the mooring ropes and difficulties in placing of gangway during rough / monsoon weather condition (June to September). To avoid/minimise any damage to mooring ropes and gangway, the Masters are suggested take following precautionary measures.

- 1. To regulate de-ballasting/ ballasting in conjunction with loading /unloading of cargo in such a manner that vessels to maintain mean draft & trim as follows:
  - a) Vessels up to 190 Mtr LOA, Minimum mean draft = 6.0 Mtr and Maximum trim up to 1.5 Mtr.
  - b) Vessels up to 240 Mtr LOA, Minimum mean draft = 7.0 Mtr and Maximum trim up to 2.0 Mtr.
  - c) Vessels up to 300 Mtr LOA, Minimum mean draft = 8.0 Mtr and Maximum trim up to 2.5 Mtr.
- 2. Although normal mooring pattern is 4+2, it is suggested to have mooring pattern 6+3, when the wind speed more than 20.0 kts.

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- All the mooring lines should be attended regularly to have equal weights.
- 4. In case wind speed is more than 25.0 Kts, the seaside anchor may be used under foot and Main Engine should be kept ready in short notice.
- 5. To avoid chaffing of mooring ropes on shore bollards, the eyes must be covered & stitched with thick canvas.
- 6. In case, Master requires the assistance of Tugs at any stage same will be provided on chargeable basis. The Port Control may be contacted for any requirements.

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