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Subject: Introduction of Non-Containerized Cargo Incentive Scheme (NCCS) 2026-27 for Existing and New Consignees/Consignors Handling Non-Containerized Cargo at Chennai Port Authority – Reg.

In order to encourage growth in non-containerized cargo traffic and reward continued patronage of Chennai Port, Chennai Port Authority (ChPA) hereby introduces the **Non-Containerized Cargo Incentive Scheme (NCCS) 2026-27** for eligible consignees/consignors handling Liquid Bulk, Dry Bulk and Break Bulk cargo through Port-operated berths.

1. Definitions

"Consignee/Consignor" means an importer, exporter, cargo owner, beneficial cargo owner, or any other party identified through EBS Importer Code, Exporter Code, IEC, PAN or other verifiable records maintained by Chennai Port Authority for the purpose of this scheme.

2. Eligible Cargo

The scheme shall be applicable to non-containerized cargo comprising:

- Liquid Bulk Cargo (Coastal & EXIM) excluding POL Crude & POL Products
- Dry Bulk Cargo (Coastal & EXIM)
- Break Bulk Cargo (Coastal & EXIM)

handled through Port-operated berths and not already availing any concession, rebate, incentive, discount, MoU-based benefit, contractual arrangement, or special tariff arrangement, other than the Coastal Cargo concession available under the notified Scale of Rates

3. Scheme-I: Existing Consignee/Consignor – Incremental Wharfage Concession & Loyalty Bonus

3.1 Base Year and Scheme Year

- Base Year: FY 2025-26 (01.04.2025 to 31.03.2026)
- Scheme Year: FY 2026-27 (01.04.2026 to 31.03.2027)

Actual cargo tonnage recorded in Port billing and cargo handling records shall be the sole basis for determining eligibility and concession.

3.2 Incremental Wharfage Concession Slabs

The concession shall be computed as a percentage rebate on wharfage charges applicable to the incremental volume only (i.e., tonnage above base year actuals). The rebate shall be applied on the standard notified wharfage rate prevalent during the scheme year.

Slab	Incremental Growth over Base Year	Liquid excluding POL Crude & POL Product	Dry	Break
A	Up to 50% Incremental Volume	40%	40%	40%
B	Above 50% Incremental Volume	80%	80%	80%

3.3 Method of Calculation

The concession shall be applied on a progressive (telescopic) basis. Incremental cargo volume up to 50% over the base-year volume shall be eligible for a 40% Wharfage concession. Any incremental cargo volume exceeding 50% over the base-year volume shall be eligible for an 80% wharfage concession. The higher concession shall apply only to the volume falling within that slab and not to the entire incremental cargo volume. Concession slabs are progressive. Concessions applicable to each slab are computed separately on volumes falling within that band and not on the total incremental volume.

3.4 Key Conditions:

1. This shall be applicable strictly to incremental non-containerized cargo (Both Coastal & EXIM) handled at Port-operated berths, over and above the base year (FY 2025–26), handled through Port-operated berths and not already availing any concession, rebate, incentive, discount, MoU-based benefit, contractual arrangement, or special tariff arrangement, other than the Coastal Cargo concession available under the notified Scale of Rates.

1. Baseline volumes attract zero concession – full wharfage applicable.
2. To facilitate timely verification and processing of concession claims under NCCS 2026-27, eligible consignees/consignors shall intimate the Port Authority upon achieving 90% of their respective FY 2025-26 base-year cargo volume. Such intimation shall not by itself confer eligibility and the concession shall become payable only upon fulfillment of the prescribed scheme conditions.

3. Cargo routed through related parties, Associated companies or subsidiaries, as defined in Companies Act, 2013, shall be clubbed and treated as a single entity for the purpose of concession eligibility. The Port Authority reserves the right to determine beneficial ownership and cargo attribution for the purpose of scheme eligibility.
4. The volume will be considered based on the total volume handled by the consignee/consignors irrespective of the Cargo excluding Containers, POL Products and POL Crude.
5. Concession applies only to wharfage charges; all other charges (berth hire, storage, handling) remain at notified SoR rates.
6. Final reconciliation at financial year-end. Any claim submissions after the expiry of 60 days from the end of financial year FY 2026-27 shall not be considered by the Port authority.
7. Where a consignee/consignors effects a change in their Customs House Agent during the scheme year, an undertaking/confirmation shall be obtained from the consignee/consignors, designating the party entitled to receive the concession refund, to avoid disputes in settlement.

3.4 Loyalty Bonus

Existing Consignee/Consignor handling atleast 95% of their FY 2025–26 cargo volume during the scheme period shall be eligible for a loyalty bonus equivalent to 10% of the wharfage actually paid on the cargo volume handled during the scheme year, subject to a maximum volume equal to the respective FY 2025-26 base-year volume

4. Scheme-II: New Consignee/Consignor Volume-Based Incentive Scheme

4.1 Eligibility

A New Consignee/Consignor shall mean any consignee/consignor who has not handled any non-containerized cargo through Chennai Port during FY 2025-26. In case of new consignee/consignors – Consignee/consignor should provide an undertaking that no cargo has been handled by them in ChPA either directly or through related parties, associated companies or subsidiaries.

4.2 Scheme Period

From the date of issue of this Trade Notice up to 31.03.2027.

4.3 Volume-Based Wharfage Concession

The concession shall be computed as per the respective Concession rate as determined by total volume handled and applied uniformly on the entire volume (i.e., total tonnage handled during the scheme period). The rebate shall be applied on the standard notified wharfage rate prevalent during the scheme year.

(A) Liquid Bulk Cargo excluding POL Crude and POL Product

Volume Handled	Concession
Up to 15,000 MT	10%
15,001 – 50,000 MT	20%
Above 50,000 MT	40%

(B) Dry Bulk Cargo

Volume Handled	Concession
Up to 20,000 MT	10%
20,001 – 75,000 MT	20%
Above 75,000 MT	40%

(C) Break Bulk Cargo

Volume Handled	Concession
Up to 8,000 MT	10%
8,001 – 15,000 MT	20%
Above 15,000 MT	40%

4.4 Key Conditions

1. This shall be applicable strictly to new consignee/consignors handling non-containerized cargo (Both Coastal & EXIM) handled at Port-operated berths, provided that such cargo is not covered under any existing concession scheme, contractual rebate, MoU, or special tariff arrangement, whether explicit or implicit.
2. New consignee/consignors is defined as any consignee/consignors who have not handled non-containerized cargo through Chennai Port during FY 2025-26.
3. For this scheme also, key conditions as given at 3.4 (4 to 8) shall be applicable.

5. Scheme III - MoU-Based Concessions

Apart from the concessions defined in the schemes above, the objective is to offer additional concessions based on the factors such as committed cargo volume & other similar considerations, through MoU. The quantum of concession under Scheme III shall be determined based on committed cargo volume, revenue impact, strategic importance of cargo and approval of the Competent Authority through a separately executed MoU.

6. General Terms and Conditions:

1. The concession shall apply only to non-containerized cargo handled through Port-operated berths.
2. Cargo covered under any existing concession scheme, rebate arrangement, MoU, contractual commitment or special tariff arrangement shall not be eligible excluding Coastal concession given through Scale of Rates.
3. On entering Scheme III, the consignee/consignor will be out of the Scheme-1 & 2 of the Concession Scheme.
4. Loyalty bonus shall be granted only after the completion of financial year in the form of refund. Other volume based concessions shall be extended from the next vessel after achievement of the cargo volume prescribed for the respective slab, the users shall submit the claim for refund in the EBS portal after final invoice and after processing the same, Credit Notes will be issued vessel wise for the concession amount.
5. Cargo routed through related parties, associated companies or subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act, 2013 shall be clubbed and treated as a single entity for concession purposes.
6. ChPA reserves the right to modify or withdraw the concession scheme at any time during the year.
7. Chennai Port Authority reserves the right to determine beneficial ownership and cargo attribution for assessing eligibility.
8. Concession shall apply only to Wharfage Charges. All other charges including VRC, storage charges, handling charges and other applicable charges shall be recovered at the notified Scale of Rates.
9. Final reconciliation shall be carried out after closure of FY 2026-27. Claims submitted beyond 60 days from the close of FY 2026-27 shall not be entertained.
10. In the event of any dispute arising out of the concession scheme, the decision of the Chairperson, ChPA shall be final and binding.
11. In cases where a consignee/consignor changes its Customs House Agent during the scheme period, an undertaking shall be furnished identifying the party entitled to receive the concession refund.

7. Penalty Provisions

Sl. No.	Offence	Penalty
1	Inflating current volume or under-reporting base-year volume	Re-computation with corrected base volume and recovery of excess concession along with interest @ 12% per annum
2	Submission of false/forged documents or cargo misclassification	Recovery of entire concession availed plus penalty equal to three times the concession amount, in addition to referral to Port Security and Customs Authorities

8. Interpretation

Any dispute regarding interpretation, eligibility, computation of cargo volume, concession amount or any matter arising out of this scheme shall be decided by Chennai Port Authority and the decision of the Competent Authority shall be final and binding.

This Trade Notice comes into force with immediate effect and shall remain valid upto 31st March 2027 unless modified or withdrawn earlier.


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