



**GOPALPUR PORTS LIMITED**

CIN. NO. : U63032OR2006PLC008831

Date :12-May-2021

To,

ALL PORT USERS/CUSTOMERS.

**NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) – SECOND WAVE – INVOCATION AND NOTIFICATION OF FORCE MAJEURE AT GOPALPUR PORTS LTD.**

1. As you are aware that deadly **SARS-Cov2(COVID-19)** or the **Novel Corona Virus** Disease resurgence has taken place across India, as declared by various state and central government departments and nodal agencies vide their different circulars and notices. *(Please refer Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India advisory DO No. Z.28015/85/2021-DM dated 25.04.21)*

2. It has also again spreading worldwide affecting ports and shipping and has already been declared as '**Global Pandemic**' by the World Health Organisation. Many preventive measures have been issued for the Sea Ports by the Ministry of Shipping, Director General of Shipping and Government of Odisha in the recent past to control the spread of **COVID-19**.

3. Gopalpur Ports Ltd (GPL) is taking all necessary actions and precautions to further contain the spread of **COVID-19** and is fully compliant of the preventive measures against spread of **COVID 19** as per directions of the various governmental agencies. *Government of Odisha, through office of Special Relief Commissioner have also declared complete Lock Down of all districts including Ganjam, where GPL is situated, effective 05.05.2021 to 19.05.2021 vide their order No. 2328/R&DM(DM) dated 01.05.2021.*

4. Under the situation, our logistics and operations performance (including but not limited to the loading / unloading and receipt and dispatches) are severely and adversely affected. Despite this, we are trying our best to continue with the cargo operation with limited resources.

5. Under the situation as stated above, which is completely beyond the control of GPL, we have no other choice then to invoke 'Force Majeure' event **from 0600 hrs. on 12/05/2021 till further notice** post withdrawal of restrictions imposed by the governmental agencies.

6. We hereby notify one and all concerned that due to '**Force Majeure**' event, Port performance is being affected hence we shall not be responsible for any claims whatsoever including but not limited to various contractual obligations, delays, demurrages and related cost and consequences arising directly or indirectly under this situation.

For Gopalpur Ports Ltd.

*Sf Agarwal*

(Capt. Sandeep Agarwal)  
Chief Executive Officer and Director

