



# जवाहरलाल नेहरु पत्तन प्राधिकरण JAWAHARLAL NEHRU PORT AUTHORITY

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## TRADE NOTICE

Subject : Waiver of Storage/Dwell time charges and Reefer Plug-in charges for Middle East bound export containers stranded in port area due to geo-political disturbances in Middle East

In compliance with the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways directives dated 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026 regarding Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Major Ports to mitigate the impact of geo-political disturbances in the Middle East read with section 27, 50, 53 & 75 of the Major Port Authorities Act 2021, clause 7.7 of the Tariff Policy for Major Port Authorities Act 2021 and relevant provisions of the respective Concession agreements executed with the Concessionaires, JNPA issues this Trade Notice for immediate compliance of all concerned in order to mitigate the hardships faced by the port users due to the ongoing geo-political disturbances in the Middle East.

In line with the MoPS&W directives, JNPA is committed to extend all possible assistance to the EXIM community to tide over this crisis situation. JNPA have decided to offer waiver on charges like ground rent and reefer plug-in charges to the stranded export containers.

The following measures have already being taken by the Port and Terminal Operators to give relief to the EXIM community.

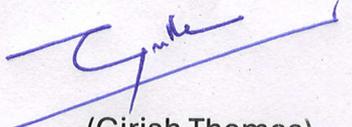
1. Facility to store stranded containers in the terminal's container yards till the cargo is shipped out.
2. JNPA and the Terminals are in constant consultation with Customs Authorities to facilitate storage of laden containers from other ports destined to Middle East, as temporary transshipment cargo at JNPA terminals.
3. JNPA is also providing additional storage area to the terminals for stacking such additional cargo.

In addition to the above, JNPA in association with its Terminal Operators has decided to implement the following measures to mitigate the burden on the exporters for their stranded cargo destined for Ports & Terminals in Middle East region affected by recent geo-political disturbances as under:-

1. All Terminal Operators shall give 100% waiver on ground rent / dwell time charges up to 15 days (from 0000 hours on 28.02.2026 up to 2400 hours on 14.03.2026) for containers which were lying inside the Terminals from 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026 or those which had gated in till 0700 hours on 08.03.2026.
2. All Terminal operators shall waive 80% of the reefer plugin charges up to 15 days (from 0000 hours on 28.02.2026 till 2400 hours on 14.03.2026) to those stranded reefer containers loaded with perishable goods, which were lying inside from 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026 or those which had gated in till 0700 hours on 08.03.2026 only.
3. The shipping lines, NVOCC, Freight Forwarders are directed to ensure that these benefits are passed on to the actual exporters.

This notice is issued with the approval of the Chairman, JNPA

Yours faithfully,

  
(Girish Thomas)  
Chief General Manager (Traffic)

To

All Stakeholders of JNPA

CC: Chairman/Dy Chairman/CVO/ All HODs  
All PPP Terminals of JNPA handling containers