

DOING AWAY WITH THE COST RECOVERY CHARGES AT PORTS AND NON MAJOR PORTS

Inspite of the Government/Customs being compensated by over Rs. 50 crores of revenue from Non Major Ports. However, other States are not subjected to Cost Recovery Charges, in Maharashtra, Non major ports have to still pay Cost Recovery charges.

We shall be grateful if these Cost Recovery charges are done away with as its an additional burden on Ports and increases the transaction cost for exporters/importers.

Further there is a custom policy asserting that at a time you have to have more than 3000 Bill of Entries during a year and 6 lakhs tons of cargo. However in case of bulk and Break Bulk Cargo, bill of Entries are less per shipment 3 - 4. As such there is a need to review and streamline the said rule, so that the same benefit is given to ports as revenue is not lost.

Although the custom officials are paid by the Government, yet port and non major ports have to pay the officials which is not keeping in line with other revenue schemes given to industries.