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The mega cargo & logistics extravaganza **CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 set for grand opening tomorrow**

Exim News Service
 MUMBAI, March 9
THE wait is finally over! *Exim India's* CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025, the 15th edition, is all set to commence tomorrow, Tuesday, March 11, at the majestic Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai. The highly-anticipated two-day (March 11-12) mega show is expected to be a landmark in the industry, drawing in over 100 exhibitors and an estimated 10,000 attendees from India and worldwide.

Registration begins at 10.15 am and the expo will be inaugurated at



Tuesday - Wednesday, March 2025

Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai

10.30 am. The Inaugural Session of the conference commences at 11 am.

Key Highlights

- **Exhibitors:** Over 100 exhibitors showcasing the latest advancements in cargo and logistics products, technology and services.

- **Attendees:** Approximately 10,000 industry professionals, stakeholders and enthusiasts from India and abroad.

- **Conference Sessions:** Eight sessions fea-

turing prominent head-honchos, professionals and thought leaders from the cargo and logistics sector as speakers and panelists.

- **Value Additions:** Specialised sessions including Heavylift Workshop and

Hazchem Masterclass. The comprehensive conference agenda covers every aspect of shipping, cargo, logistics and more, including the perspectives of leading shippers, and will see *Continued on page 6*

DBGT expands its international trade network with the support of VOC Port

- ★ **Ad hoc call by M. V. Songa Lioness, operated by CMA CGM; sets sail for Singapore**
- ★ **Terminal hosts onboard reception**

Exim News Service
 TUTICORIN, March 9
 DBGT has successfully attracted an ad hoc call from VOC Port to Singapore by CMA CGM, one of the world's largest mainline operators. The vessel, *M. V. Songa Lioness*, berthed on March 4, 2025 @ 0915 hours, handled a volume of 1,291 TEUs at DBGT, VOC Port, and sailed on the same day @1755 hours.

By handling this direct Singapore call, the DBGT management proudly embarks on a new chapter of global connectivity and economic expansion in the region. Whilst acknowledging this being a one-off ad hoc call, the management strongly feels that it's not just a logistics achievement for the terminal but also *Continued on page 12*



VOC Port incentive for dry bulk cargo

Exim News Service
 TUTICORIN, March 9
 V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority (VOCPA) has unveiled Minimum Guaranteed Throughput (MGT)-based incentive scheme for dry bulk cargo. A communique highlighted the exclusive rebates on

wharfage:

- ★ 15/MT for 5,00,000 to 10,00,000 tonnes per annum
- ★ 20/MT for 10,00,001 to 15,00,000 tonnes per annum
- ★ 25/MT for 15,00,001 to 20,00,000 tonnes per annum
- ★ 30/MT for above 20,00,000 tonnes per annum

'I want SJ Logistics to be a 5PL, a global MNC'

—Rajen Shah, CMD, SJ Logistics (India) Ltd

From a Chartered Accountant handling key responsibilities at leading firms to founding a listed logistics company that has been making its mark in providing comprehensive end-to-end solutions, it has been a journey of perseverance and resolve for **Mr Rajen Shah, Chairman and Managing Director of SJ Logistics (India) Ltd.** With SJ Logistics all set to be a prominent presence at the **CTL BHP 2025 mega exposition and conference** beginning tomorrow, Mr Shah dwelt on the company's journey thus far and its future plans in an interaction with *Exim India*.



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Mr Rajen Shah, CMD, SJ Logistics (India) Ltd



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CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 set for ...

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participation from a veritable who's who of the fraternity, renowned industry experts, as well as prominent officials associated with government entities and regulatory authorities. The conference will offer attendees a golden opportunity to gain in-depth knowledge and insights on the current scenario, the latest trends and key innovations shaping cargo movement and logistics.

The theme of the conference is 'Transformative Era in Shipping & Logistics - The Indian & Global Perspective'.

Adding further value to the event, the conference will host specialised programmes such as a Heavylift Workshop and Hazchem Masterclass, conducted by leading

domain experts. These will provide attendees with hands-on training and the latest information on the modalities of handling heavy and hazardous cargo, underscoring the event's commitment to elevating industry standards.

CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 is thus set to be an ideal platform for attendees to witness the best on display, listen to industry stalwarts, and engage with stakeholders and professionals from far and wide. The event presents a unique avenue for networking, forging partnerships and staying abreast of the latest developments in the cargo and logistics sector.

As the industry gears up for this grand gathering, Mumbai is poised to become the epicentre of logistics services, innovation, perspectives and knowledge over the next two days.

Prominent trade bodies extend support to CTL BHP 2025

Event also has the backing of MoPSW & IPA

Exim News Service

MUMBAI, March 9

ALMOST all of the leading trade bodies associated with cargo and logistics have extended their support to Exim India's CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025, the 15th edition, on March 11-12, 2025 at the Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai.

The impressive list of supporting organisations is as follows:

- ✦ Federation of Freight Forwarders' Associations in India (FFFAI)
- ✦ Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association (BCBA)
- ✦ Association of Multimodal Transport Operators of India (AMTOI)
- ✦ All - India Liquid Bulk Importers & Exporters Association (AILBIEA)
- ✦ Container Freight Station Association of India (CFSAI)
- ✦ National Association of Container Freight Stations (NACFS)
- ✦ Container Shipping Lines Association (India) (CSLA)
- ✦ Consolidators Association of India (CAI)
- ✦ Hydraulic Trailer Owners Association (HTOA)
- ✦ Indian Private Ports & Terminals Association (IPPTA)
- ✦ Bombay Overseas Freight Brokers Association (BOFBA)
- ✦ ICC Shipping Association

These are some of the prominent entities driving and administering the shipping, cargo, logistics and transportation business in the country, whose inputs are also sought by the policymaking and regulatory authorities to better facilitate the trade.

Senior office-bearers of these organisations will be mak-

ing their presence felt at the event, many with their perspectives as speakers and panelists at the conference. Given their knowledge, experience and expertise, participants can look forward to gaining valuable insights from their pertinent views and opinions.

Ministry & IPA support

As highlighted earlier, CTL BHP 2025 has also received official support from the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW) and the Indian Ports Association (IPA).

This wide-ranging espousal is testament to the event's stature as one of the premier congregations of the maritime, cargo and logistics sector in India and South Asia, with its comprehensive focus through an extensive exposition and elaborate conference/training programmes spread across two days. It has over the years become a must-attend for all in the fraternity, drawing participation from India, the region and across the globe.

Shutdown of BPCL Liquid Cargo jetty in April

Exim News Service

NAVI MUMBAI, March 9

A COMPLETE shutdown of operation at the BPCL Liquid Cargo jetty, at JN Port, has been scheduled from April 8 to April 12, 2025 to facilitate the Pipeline Trestle Strengthening Project. During this period, critical activities such as cutting, welding and grinding will take place at the jetty.

As a result, no vessel operations will take place at LB-01 and LB-02 during the scheduled shutdown, informed a Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd Trade Notice.