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India to open new ports to connect Iran's Chabahar

All the three countries welcomed steady progress in port operations by India Ports Global Ltd company since the taking over of the port operations at Shaheed Beheshti Port at Chabahar in December 2018. It was recognized that over 5 lakh tons of cargo has been handled successfully.



India, Iran and Afghanistan have decided to open Mormugoa and New Mangalore Port in addition to JNPT, Mundra, Kandla and Cochin as part of designated route under the Chabahar Agreement for connecting South Asia's biggest country to strategically located port.

This was decided at the second meeting of the Follow-up Committee for implementation of the trilateral Chabahar Agreement between India, Afghanistan and Iran at the level of Joint Secretary/ Director General held here on Friday.

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Apart from the slump in coal imports, despatches by Coal India Ltd fell by 7% in the period to 364 million t from 392 million t in the corresponding period of the last fiscal year. A report by ICRA attributes the slowdown in coal imports to the economic slowdown in recent months that has slackened overall demand. Power demand, and consequently thermal power generation, has witnessed a decline in the last 3 – 4 months along with an attendant slowdown in other consuming industries, resulting in a fall in the coal demand-supply gap. In addition to weakening power demand, growth in coal demand is also stifled by the impact of higher generation from renewable capacities.

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Ningbo's rise as the world's largest port has lessons for India

Last year, the world-port-rankings changed when Ningbo-Zhoushan in Southeast China became the largest port in the world. By then, it had built trade channels with over 600 ports spread across 100 countries. The port, which handles all types of cargo - container, liquid and dry bulk – accounted for an annual cargo throughput of over a billion tonnes last year.

“The total cargo throughput of Ningbo Zhoushan Port was 1.08 billion metric tonnes in 2018,” said a port official who did not want to be named.

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Bangladesh has lifted import ban on 9 items through Tripura ports: India

The Bangladesh government has withdrawn its restrictions on importing nine items from India through two land ports in Tripura, in a boost to traders of the region, officials said on Saturday. Bangladesh had exported various items amounting to Rs 522.42 crore in 2018-19 while imports of goods through seven land ports in Tripura to the neighbouring country were around Rs 14.66 crore, they said.

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JNPT, CONCOR start export train service from Ludhiana

Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT), in association with CONCOR, has commenced its weekly scheduled export train service from ICD Ludhiana to JNPT. This service, to be operated on every Saturday, is aimed at ensuring faster evacuation of export containers destined for JNPT. The Ludhiana ICD caters to a vast interior market that includes the States of Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, and Rajasthan.

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Andhra Pradesh proposes 3437-acre, Rs10,000-crore port at Ramayapatnam

The government of Andhra Pradesh along with RITES Ltd has approached the Ministry of Environment to develop a new 3437-acre non-major state port with a capacity of 125,000 deadweight tonnage (DWT) at Ramayapatnam in the district of Prakasam. The site for the Rs10,000 crore port is situated 575 kilometres south to Vizag port and 250 kilometres north to Chennai port. According to the earlier reports, Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy asked his officers to get ready with plans for the building of ports in Ramayapatnam, Machilipatnam, Dugarajapatnam, Nakkapalli, Kalingapatnam and Bhavanapadu.

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Saudi Ports Authority 'Mawani' signs concession contracts with DP World under BOT scheme

Saudi Ports Authority "Mawani", as per the BOT scheme (Build, Operate and Transfer) has signed two concession contracts with global ports operator and developer DP World, and the leading local and regional ports operation and development firm Red Sea Gateway Terminal for the development of container terminals at Jeddah Islamic Port. The signing of the new concession marks as a major step for Mawani and will help it increase the container terminal capacity to 12 million containers annually, from the present 7.6 million containers (by 60%).

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New wagon to boost cargo capacity



The Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India, Ltd. (DFCCIL) tasked with building the over ₹81,000 crore freight corridor in the country, on Thursday began testing a new wagon that will help boost the cargo carrying capacity by four times due to increased length of the train, use of double-stack containers and more payload carrying capability.

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Maersk launches Captain Peter, its latest cargo visibility tool

Maersk has announced the release of its revamped Remote Container Management (RCM) platform featuring the virtual assistant Captain Peter on Monday. The virtual assistant aims to reduce daily hassles and shipping complexities of the Maersk customers. RCM launched in September 2017 caters to over 3600 companies and provides transparency on information to over 380,000 refrigerated containers of the combined fleet of Maersk and Hamburg Süd.



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Allcargo leads race to buy Sical Logistics' CFS and ICD business

Allcargo Logistics Ltd, led by Shashi Kiran Shetty, has emerged the front-runner to buy the container freight station (CFS), inland container depot (ICD) and rail logistics business of Sical Logistics Ltd from the Coffee Day Group, at least two people said.

Sical Multimodal and Rail Transport Ltd (SMART), the rail logistics wing of Sical, holds a Category I licence from the Indian Railways, to ply container trains throughout the Indian Railways network in both the export-import and domestic segments.



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DLDS launches container tracking service at Kamarajar Port

DMICDC Logistics Data Services (DLDS) has launched its container tracking service, Logistics Data Bank, at Kamarajar Port, Ennore in Tamil Nadu. DLDS' flagship solution, LDB, is a single-window container tracking solution aimed at improving operations in container logistics. It began its operations in the western corridor, at the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) in the year 2016, and later extended it to Hazira and Mundra ports of Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone (APSEZ) in the year 2017. With the inclusion of Kamarajar Port, Ennore-Chennai LDB's ICT-based services have become operational across 25 port terminals of India.

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