

NOTE ON CHENNAI PORT AUTHORITY

Present Scenario

- Chennai Port is in its 142nd year of Commercial Operations rendering service to the Nation; ISPS compliant & ISO certified Port, 1st AEO certified Port amongst Major Ports;
- Chennai Port is one of the key contributor for the economic growth of Tamil Nadu, especially for the manufacturing boom in South India, and has contributed greatly to the development of the city of Chennai City.
- There are 26 Multi Cargo berths handling Containers, Liquid, Dry and Break Bulk cargo including Ro-Ro terminal in 3 Docks viz Bharathi Dock, Ambedhkar Dock and Jawahar Dock; Chennai Port takes care of the requirements of Defence (Navy and ICG) and Research Vessels of Scientific Institutes (NIOT and DRDO).
- Port has desired capacity of 103.2 MMTPA and it is handling around 50 MMTPA. The waiting time for vessel berthing is zero with direct berthing at Chennai Port.
- Port has a maximum draft of 16.5m for liquids and 15.5 m for handling containers and 14m for other cargo vessels.
- Stands first in Automobile Exports with 1,70,482 Cars (mainly Hyundai and Kia) in the year FY2021-22 posing 28% growth YoY;
- 2nd Largest Container handling among the Major Ports in India operated under PPP mode handled by M/s. CCTPL (DP World) & M/s. CITPL (PSA);
- Containerised cargo volume comprises of 64% out of total tonnage handled while Liquid Cargo is 26%, and Dry Bulk and Break Bulk contribute 4% and 5% respectively.
- State of the art passenger-cum-cruise terminal facility that resulted in surge in passenger traffic
- Excellent connectivity to hinterland both by Rail and Road;
- The Port is connected to Southern Railway network through Madras Beach Station. Total 9 Sidings are available with full rake handling capacity to handle cargo such as Containers, Granite, Food grains, Dry Bulk, Steel Rolls & Project Cargo etc. Separate sidings are available for Containers

- The Port well connects with National Highway Network viz., NH4 through SH1, SH1A, and SH2. NH4 is about 20 km away; NH5 through major city roads.
 - NH5 is about 30 kms away; NH45 is connected through major city roads in 35 km. Major Road connectivity project Chennai –Ennore Port Road Connectivity Project is completed;
- Open Storage area of 5,25,000 Sq. Mts., Covered Storage area of 58200 Sq. Mts. and transit shed area of 10160 Sq. Mts. to cater to the needs of the EXIM trade.
- Developed dedicated 2 Coastal berths & Bunker Berth.
- Developed Common User Railway Goods Shed at Jolarpet.
- Additional drive through Container Scanner facility is in operation. A Mobile Container Scanner is proposed in phase II.
- An 84000 sq. m. area is proposed as a buffer parking yard for parking of more than 350 trailers
- WEB enabled Services to handle all commercial transactions online through EBS, RFID, EDI & PCS;
- Proposed Unique Connectivity Projects viz.,
 - Two-tier four lane elevated corridor between Chennai Port & Maduravoyal,
 - A Multi Modal Logistics Park (MMLP) at Mappedu;
- Installed Solar Panels of 500 KW capacity to harness clean energy;
- Swachh Bharat Initiatives are under taken to improve hygiene and cleanliness in and around the Port;
