

Chennai International Terminal Handles One Millionth Box

Chennai International Terminals Pvt Ltd (CITPL), owned and managed by PSA International, handled its milestone One Millionth container on 17 November 2012 since commencement of terminal operations.

The one-millionth container was handled on vessel m.v. Tiger Bridge which operates on the Chennai – Colombo shuttle service managed by Bengal Tiger Lines (BTL).

CITPL welcomes the ACS service of Hyundai Merchant Marine

PSA CITPL also welcomed the maiden call of the Asia Chennai Service (ACS) on 13 November 2012.

The vessel m.v. Hyundai Future that berthed at CITPL on 13 November 2012 is one of the four vessels deployed on the ACS service which is operated by the Korean line Hyundai Merchant Marine. The maiden voyage incidentally called the terminal on the auspicious day of Diwali (The Festival of Lights).

ACS is a mainline service to the Far East covering the port rotation of Chennai - Singapore – Pusan – Ulsan – Shanghai – Yantian – West Port Klang – Singapore – Chennai.

Vessel operations on m.v. Hyundai Future were completed within 24 hours at a vessel productivity rate of 76 moves per hour.

PSA CITPL has pro-actively procured additional state-of-the-art equipment in early 2012 to cater to the growing trade demands and will continue to offer excellent customer service thereby promoting export and import trade.

With the additional equipment, CITPL now has seven Super Post Panamax Quay Cranes (all twin lifts) and 18 Rubber-Tyred Gantry Cranes and its handling capacity has been doubled to 1.1 million TEUs. CITPL is the only terminal in Chennai to have an on-dock rail siding within its premises thereby offering seamless rail service to its customers. CITPL is also increasing the number of reefer plugs in the terminal and will be constructing additional stacking yard to meet the business demands.

PSA CITPL currently has five mainline services to the Far East, two Colombo services and two Coastal services calling at the terminal.

Background

About PSA International

PSA International is one of the leading global port groups. With its flagship operations in PSA Singapore Terminals and PSA Antwerp, PSA participates in 29 port projects in 17 countries across Asia, Europe and the Americas. Employing the finest talents in the industry, PSA delivers reliable and best-in-class service to its customers and develops win-win relationships with its partners. As the port operator of choice in the world's gateway hubs, PSA is "The World's Port of Call". PSA International has been voted "Best Global Container Terminal Operating Company" for seven times since 2005 at the Asian Freight & Supply Chain Awards.

About PSA's Chennai International Terminals Pvt Ltd

PSA Chennai International Terminals Pvt Ltd (CITPL) in Chennai Port is ideally positioned to tap the high growth Chennai region, which is steadily emerging as the hub for the Indian East Coast. The terminal is designed to accommodate and cater to the new generation of deep-draft container vessels. The terminal's connectivity to Inland Container Depot (ICD) destinations is enhanced by its own dedicated rail connection right into the terminal. It is suitably equipped to serve the growing rail container traffic generated by an ever growing hinterland.

ENDS

ISSUED BY CHENNAI INTERNATIONAL TERMINALS PVT LTD

Contact Information:

Name: Mr Sivakumar Kaliannan, General Manager CITPL

Tel: +91-44-25613000

Fax: +91-44-25613111

E-mail: contact@citpl.co.in