



# CHITTAGONG PORT AUTHORITY

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Subject: Stop Crew change of Merchant Ships calling chittagong port  
due to rapid spread of COVID-19.

The Continued spread of COVID-19 due to Corona virus with very high risk all over the world demands hightened state of alert in chittagong port as a precautionary measure.

Since WHO declered COVID-19 a public health emergency of International concern, crew change of Merchant ship in chittagong port may pose threat of this pendemic disease in the vicinity.

As such you are requested to issue a circular informing all shipping agencies that crew change of Marchant ships in chittagong port is postponed for next eight weeks from the date of the issue of your circular.

However in ineviatble case of crew change, International crew members joining a Merchant Ship shall be subject to a 14 day self-isolation period. Crew may be permitted to transit through chittagong port but must remain in the port and self-isolate in accommodation for 14 days. Crew must also self-isolate at their final destination for the remainder of the 14 days.

We will duly inform you to revoke the circular with the significant improvement of ongoing emergengy situation.

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Deputy Conservator  
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