

No. A1/353(a)/Coastal Ro-Ro/2026-T

Dated 20.01.2026

**Trade Notice No. 01/2026**

Exemption of Port & Vessel related Charges & Priority Berthing for RoPax/Passenger  
Ferry Operations/Vessels  
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The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW), towards promoting the urban water transportation and newly emerging inland passenger and vehicle movement eco-system of the country especially RoRo/RoPAX ferry operations, had directed that the Major Ports shall exempt all vessel related charges including berth hire charges for the RoRo/RoPAX ferry operations.

Accordingly, the above exemption of port charges at Cochin Port which was valid up to 21.01.2026 has now been extended for a period of one (1) year w.e.f. 22.01.2026.

Further, priority berthing shall also be given to the RoPax/Passenger ferry vessels, as directed by the Ministry.

This is for the information of the members of Trade Fraternity and may be shared with all the business associates/stakeholders.

  
TRAFFIC MANAGER

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CEO, Kerala Maritime Board.

The Kerala Steamer Agent's Association, Cochin.  
The Cochin Customs Broker's Association, Cochin.  
The Cochin Chamber of Commerce & Industries, Cochin-3.  
The CEO, IGTPL

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