

Customer Advisory on Verified Gross Mass (VGM) update for Import Shipments to Bangladesh

Dear Valued Customer,

We would like to bring to your attention a critical update regarding shipping procedures effective immediately. In accordance with DG's Order No. 01 of 2016 and recent directives from Bangladesh Customs Authority, it is imperative that shippers in origin countries ensure the accurate declaration of the Verified Gross Mass (VGM) when submitting their shipping instructions (SI).

Failure to provide the correct VGM for each container from the shipper's end will prohibit us from submitting the Import General Manifest (IGM) in the Bangladesh Customs Authority portal, potentially resulting in severe repercussions.

Compliance with this regulation is essential, as no container will be permitted for loading onto the ship until the shipper has declared the VGM to shipboard personnel and/or port representatives.

We kindly request the cooperation of all shipping agents, freight forwarders, shippers, and consignees, both in origin countries and Bangladesh, to ensure the accurate reporting of VGM weights for laden containers when submitting SI and manifests through the ASYCUDA system or any relevant portal of the Bangladesh Customs Authority for imports into Bangladesh.

We greatly appreciate your continued cooperation in adhering to these guidelines. Should you have any further inquiries or require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the following email addresses:

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