



VCT Berth Extended, Opportunity For Berth On Arrival

The terminal 2 has become operational with few trial vessels being handled. With both the terminals together VCT has the total quay length of 845 m with additional yard capacities been added as well making it a 1.3 million TEUs capacity container terminal with 3 berths to accommodate vessels.



The congestion at foreign hubs has disrupted the services' vessel window where the cascading effect was felt at Visakhapatnam port that resulted in vessels call delays and skips. With Terminal 2 (T2) being ready and operational the challenge of berth more than one vessel is no more a hassle. In this regard on the 14th day of April 2022 the terminal has made possible berthing 3 vessels in tandem alongside.

The upgraded quay infrastructure has created room for additional window while the back yard equipment is the key for faster evacuation of containers. More feeder services can call VCT that carry transshipment containers of Kolkata, Chittagong based cargo that can connect to both Eastern and Western Sea lanes where the Shipping Lines can now look at making VCT their transshipment hub. The expanded terminal can now provide berths for more vessels and upon arrival as well. The terminal with additional infrastructure and capacities are ready for operation to serve the trade enabling berth on arrival and has also created room for new services to call VCTPL.

Record Highest Productivity @ VCT2

The newly commissioned T2 terminal has helped in reducing the time needed to unload/ load a vessel at VCT. On 05th April 2022, VCT handled the first vessel m.v. Celsius Nairobi of CHX service at T2. This weekly service was operated by Maersk Line with 2662 containers (2878 TEUs) handled. The terminal achieved a crane productivity of 36 gross moves per hour and ship productivity of 103 moves per hour.

On 12th April 2022, another vessel m.v. GH Pampero of the same service of Maersk Line was berthed at the new terminal – T2, with an exchange of 1746 moves (2044 TEUs). The terminal performed a crane productivity of 33 gross moves per hour and ship productivity of 95 moves per hour.



Three new Super Post Panamax Rail Mounted Quay cranes were deployed for the vessel operations while the electrified rubber-tired gantry cranes (ERTG) played their part in making the yard operations faster and efficient. All of these helped in achieving a higher productivity level, resulting in faster turn-around times for the vessels at the terminal, and gave room for the vessel to sail earlier than the estimated time.

With the newly extended quay of 395 meters adding up to the earlier 450 meters, there is now flexibility for berthing of vessels on arrival at VCT, even when arriving out of the scheduled window. With enhanced operational efficiency due to the commission of the new terminal (T2), VCT will facilitate faster movement of shipments, thereby reducing the cost of logistics and improving effectiveness of the supply chain for the EXIM trade.

Maiden Voyage Of CI7 Service – m.v.Cape Faro

The port city, Visakhapatnam had footprints left on the East Coast of India with the presence of direct service calls to China, SE Asia & Far East trade. The wings were spread further with the introduction of Middle East Service followed by Mediterranean & Europe direct service. The volumes from / to Visakhapatnam of both East & West Bound are equivalently balanced and there is a need for more supply as the demand is increasing consistently at a rate of 18% - 20% year on year in the hinterland of Visakhapatnam overall.



As the potential from Visakhapatnam is high catered to Eastern Trade directly and also via transshipment ports, however there is still more requirement of direct services. Wan Hai considering this potential and the opportunity has induced a direct call to China & Vietnam connecting other Eastern Lane where the service would call the city of destiny as well. The maiden vessel call of Wan Hai Lines named CI7 service made its way into Visakhapatnam port and berthed on the 14th day of April 2022 with about 850 TEUs during the first call

It is a fixed day weekly service with 4 vessels planned to be deployed in the circuit. The commencement of the new service will definitely spread horizons of VCT and therefore explore the untapped market potential available in the hinterland to / from East Bound region with a seamless transit. This is just beginning.....

Voyage Route: Haiphong – Zhanjiang – Nansha – Cat Lai – North Port Kelang – Chennai - Visakhapatnam



Visakhapatnam – Chennai Industrial Corridor Works At Fast Pace

The Visakhapatnam-Chennai Industrial Corridor (VCIC), which is critical for the state's industrial development, is now under construction. The corridor would be built in two phases at a total cost of Rs 5,544 crore. The state government expects to finish the development work under the first phase by March 2023, at a cost of Rs 2,278.61 crore. Work worth Rs 815.17 crore has already been done, with the rest nearing completion.

APIIC is also working on the second phase, which will cost Rs. 2,599.56 crores. Asian Development Bank will lend Rs 4,125 crore to the project, while the state government will pay Rs 1,419 crore.

Under this project, 4,316 acres at Nakkapalli in Visakhapatnam Node, 2,532 acres at Rambilli, 13,319 acres at Chittoor South Block Node, and 2,596 acres at Kopparthi in Wissar District are being developed for industrial purposes.

The state's industrial output is expected to expand sevenfold and the state's GDP to increase sixfold once VCIC is fully operational. State manufacturing output, which was Rs 1.11 lakh crore in 2015, is expected to increase by Rs 2 lakh crore to Rs 7,82,300 crore by 2035, and gross domestic product to Rs 11.60 lakh crore. A total of 1.10 crore new employment are estimated to be created

51st National Safety Week 2022

The National Safety Day / Safety Week Campaign being spearheaded by the Council for nearly three decades to mark its Foundation Day (4th March) has significantly contributed to reduction in the rate of industrial accidents and created widespread safety awareness even in such sectors which have not been covered by any safety legislation. The campaign is comprehensive, general and flexible with an appeal to the participating organizations to develop specific activities as per their safety requirements.

51st National Safety Week was observed from 4th March – 10th March 2022 at VCT. The flag hoisting event was conducted on 4th March '22, wherein all the employees and contract employees attended the programme. Safety pledge was administered by all the personnel as a part of national safety week.

The team competitions were conducted between various departments. Safety Quiz competition was conducted in teams by comprising nominees from each department. Painting competition was conducted for children by asking them to draw their ideas on safety at home. Poster making competition was organized and all the employees actively participated. Safety skit was performed from each department including contract employees. Other events are hazard hunt competition, safety equipment demonstration, safety video competition etc.



Visitors @ VCTPL



(From Left) Mr. Sanjay Ahuja & Mr. Bhagwan Charan Mohindra from Nova Industrial Solutions (P) Ltd. Visited on 13.04.22



Mr. Siva Krishna Nandyala, Director - NK Agro. Visited on 13.04.22



(From Left) Mr. Sitaram, Mr. Frederick Mark & Mr. Shankar Menon from Chakiat Agencies Visited on 21.04.22



(From Right) Mr. Kenichi Matsumoto, Mr. Saurabh Kumar & Mr. Venkata Satish Kumar Darsi from Kintetsu World Express Visited on 22.04.22



(From Left) Mr. Vikas Gupta, Business Head - Dubai, Mr. Partha Biswas, Chief (Sales & Marketing) & Mr. Jeeshan Srivastava, Asst. Manager – Exports from JK Paper Visited on 29.04.22