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C1 Movement of exhibition goods

1. Connections to India

The city of Mumbai is one of the major ports of entry into India. All major shipping lines and airlines have connections to Mumbai.

2. Material handling at the exhibition site.

The exhibition materials at the venue site can be handled by the approved official agencies, as per the rules. To provide adequate security, safety and protection against damage to the exhibition hall and in the interest of an efficient, coordinated move-in and move-out of goods, no private trucks, cars, fork-lifts or handling equipment (trolley, lift jacks, etc.) will be allowed inside any of the exhibition halls. The organisers have appointed official clearing, forwarding and on-site handling agencies for handling of exhibits at the site.

For onsite handling operations, cargo handling equipment such as, forklifts, mobile cranes and skilled labour will be available at the venue ground, for hire from the official agents. The rates for on-site handling will be settled by the participants with these agents directly, depending upon the quantum of work and kind of job required as per the official on-site handling tariff approved by the organisers. The official agents will have their offices at the site during the pre and post exhibition periods.

For overseas exhibitors, the official freight forwarders will prepare comprehensive guidelines / shipping instructions for time bond and smooth transition of exhibits right from country of origin to exhibition stand at the fairground.

All the exhibitors are requested to adhere to the shipping instructions and arrival deadlines fixed by the official forwarders regarding the movement and handling of exhibits for CPhI India 2006.

It is suggested that exhibitors discuss their requirements with official agents well in advance to avoid unnecessary delays and troubles.

The organisers will not be responsible for damages caused to exhibits while handling at the site. Therefore, the exhibitors must insure all their exhibits against possible transit and handling damages.

3. Customs clearance under temporary imports

Temporary duty free importation facilities are available to the bonafide participants of CPhI India 2006 provided the shipment is cleared under an ATA carnet or a bank guarantee or an embassy bond.

Under the customs notification no. 3/89 dated 19 September 1989, import of exhibits for CPhI India 2006 will be allowed without payment of import duty provided the exhibits are re-exported within a period of six months from the date of import or any other period stipulated by the customs authority.

The exhibitors are advised to contact the official freight forwarders who will provide them with up-to-date information on rules and procedures.

C2 Octroi (entry tax) in Mumbai and its payment exemption for exhibitors

Mumbai city as per the local municipal rules of Municipal Corporation of greater Mumbai levies an octroi duty (entry tax) on all materials entering into the city limits. This tax is applicable on imported exhibits from foreign countries also.

To obtain an exemption from payment of octroi duty a bonafide exhibitor certificate issued by the organisers and a photo copy of approval letter issued by ITPO should be enclosed with your application and other necessary documents to the appropriate authorities through the official freight forwarding agents. Both these certificates / letter will be issued by UBM India Pvt. Ltd to each exhibitor on receipt of full payment of the charges for the stand / pavilion in the exhibition. The exhibitors are requested to get in touch with official freight handling agents for further information in this matter.