



PUBLIC NOTICE No. 49 /2026

**Subject: Implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and
Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR) -reg.**

Kind attention of all stakeholders is invited to Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR), 2018 issued vide Notification No.38/2018 dated 11.5.2018 and Public Notice No. 08/2026 dated 12.01.2026, issued by the Commissioner of Customs (NS-General), JNCH wherein the Stuffing message module under the SCMTR, 2018 was implemented at JNPA Port w.e.f. 25.11.2025 and implementation of all provisions of SCMTR, 2018, were extended to 31st March, 2026.

2. Further, CBIC has examined that the implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations, 2018 and it has been noted that import export manifest messages were implemented successfully pan-India. The Stuffing messages were made live for all sites w.e.f. 25th September, 2025. However, uniformity in filling of stuffing (SF) messages yet to be achieved
3. In considering that certain messages are still under development and require comprehensive testing across ICDs, CFSs, SEZs and gateway ports, the transitional provisions for SCMTR have been extended till 30th June, 2026 vide notification No. 31/2026- Customs (N.T) dated 30th march, 2026. During this extended timeline, all stakeholders are required submit correct declarations electronically in the prescribed format.
4. To ensure smooth implementation of SCMTR, 2018, this Zone, in coordination with the Directorate General of Systems, will conduct weekly awareness and outreach programs to sensitize all stakeholders and address the issues being faced by them in relation to SCMTR, 2018.
5. This Public Notice is being issued to facilitate trade and ensure a smooth transition towards compliance with the SCMTR, 2018.

6. Any difficulties encountered in the implementation of this Public Notice may be brought to the notice of the Assistant Commissioner, SCMTR Cell, for prompt resolution.

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