

NEWSLINE

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Cargosol Newsline presents to you the latest developments in the supply chain industry

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SEA FREIGHT



TYPHOON HITS CHINA : SCHEDULES MESSIER

- Typhoon Chanthu suspends operations in Zhejiang province.
- All flights in & out of Shanghai Pudong were cancelled on 13th Sep, delaying cargo over the next 48 hours.
- Container terminals in Ningbo & Shanghai ports have been closed, with vessel schedules likely to see delays.



TAIWAN PORTS EMBRACED BY SILK ROAD

- Taiwan ports Kaohsiung & Taipei have been embraced by the Silk Road Maritime International Forum last Wed.
- Taiwanese liner operator Evergreen is operating one of the services, the China-Europe-Mediterranean (CEM) service.



CMA CGM SPOT RATE CAP RESPONSE

- CMA CGM suspends spot rate hikes for all services under its brand, though surcharges may not be included.
- This caused cynicism among freight forwarders & shippers.
- Hapag Llyod has also capped spot rates to reduce pressure on carriers.



SPOT RATES TO NORTH EUROPE

- Freight rates from Asia-North Europe may be coming off the boil for shipments after China's Golden Week holiday in Oct.
- Hamburg Süd reduced its Oct Shanghai to Felixstowe rate to \$15,000 per 40ft, \$2,000 \$3,000 below current prices.



ROSE GROWERS SOLVE CARBON EMISSIONS

- Rose growers may provide carbon capture & storage solution.
- A "plug and play" system that captures CO2 from the ship's exhaust to charge a CO2 battery, which stores the gas and can be discharged port-to-port and sold to customers.

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IT IS RAINING CONTAINERS IN LA : STILL CLOUDY?

- The port complex of Los Angeles & Long Beach is struggling.
- The number of ships at anchor has risen, while rail dwell times climbed to a record level in Aug.
- The port of Los Angeles projects 10.5m teu for this year. Los Angeles & Long Beach could handle nearly 20m teu.



CMA CGM + ABU DHABI VENTURE

- CMA CGM & the Abu Dhabi Ports Group (ADPG) joint venture to develop container terminal @Khalifa Port.
- Combined investment of \$154m in phase 1, terminal to have an annual handling capacity of 1.8m teu.



EVERGREEN MARKET SIZZLE

- Evergreen Marine Corporation ordered 24 container ships from Chinese shipbuilder CSSC Huangpu Wenchong Shipbuilding.
- The unit price of the vessels is between \$28m & \$51m, making an aggregate contract value between \$958m and \$1.1bn.



LOGISTIC PLAYERS CHARTERING OWN BOX SHIPS

- Logistics players turn away from congested transpacific market to cash in on the less-congested Asia to Europe trade.
- Current spot rates China-Europe at nearly \$15,000 per 40ft means a westbound trip could generate \$7.3m of revenue.



HMM EXTRA LOADER SERVICES

- HMM said there would be 9 ad hoc sailings in Sept'21.
- This will cater to small & medium-sized enterprises facing difficulty securing shipping slots, due to vessel & equipment shortage & high rate.

AIR FREIGHT



GSSA ATC : ONLINE FREIGHT BOOKING

- One airline general sales & service agent (GSSA) is preparing its own portal for bookings.
- The portal will debut in Germany, starting with bigger airlines in ATC's portfolio subsequently it will be rolled out across the GSSA's global network.



NO CAPACITY LEFT : PEAK SEASON BOOKINGS

- A unique summer has created a "very active" peak season.
- Covid disruptions at airports, cancellation of regular flights to Shanghai due to handling issues & re-routing their flights to Zhengzhou, Shenzhen, Wuhan, Guangzhou challenges projects logistics & operations.



LUFTHANSA CARGO : SUSTAINABLE CHOICE

- Lufthansa Cargo to launch 2 offerings : offsetting or reducing the carbon footprint of their shipments.
- Customers can pay a premium towards the purchase of sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) or make a contribution towards climate protection projects.



PEAK AIR FREIGHT : SCRAMBLE CONTINUES

- Shippers scrambling for air freight capacity amid tightening restrictions in China & severe port congestion in Bangladesh.
- Inditex is chartering with Emirates frequently; captured more than 70% space of Bangladesh market, purchased 200 tonnes of capacity from Qatar Airways, leaving Qatar-Bangladesh helpless to support its many customers.

TRANSPORT



RAILWAYS TO SPEED MOVEMENT OF EMPTY CONTAINERS

- Once import containers reach the west coast ports, some are de-stuffed at warehouses & the empties are handed over to transporters to be hauled for loading export cargo.
- Container Corporation of India Ltd has introduced a volumebased rebate on rail freight for repositioning of empties in a bid to ensure sufficient availability of containers at hinterland ICDs to boost exports & cut logistics costs, beginning Sept 1.



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SEA FREIGHT (CONT.)



BULLISH ZIM SET TO GROW

- Zim opted for 5 newbuild 7,000 teu LNG dual-fueled vessels, on 12-year charters, from Seaspan Corp.
- Seaspan said it would pay approximately \$530m for the construction of ships with delivery in final quarter of 2023



OOIL BOOST FLEET CAPACITY

- Orient Overseas International Ltd. ordered ten 16,000 teu ships.
- The Cosco unit said in a Hong Kong Stock Exchange filing the newbuilding order, for \$1.58bn in total, would be equally split between affiliated shipbuilders Dalian Cosco KHI Ship Engineering (DACKS) & Nantong Cosco KHI Ship Engineering (NACKS).



Carrier & Forwarder Face-off

Shipping lines tightening their grip on the container supply chain could result in many independent forwarders "disappearing". Brokers Associations says carrier's control over sea freight capacity will squeeze out forwarders as Carriers were prioritizing the sea freight bookings of forwarder customers that agreed to use their land-based logistics services. Previously, such services would generally be arranged by forwarders that own & operate road haulage vehicles or sub-contract to logistics providers.

Earlier reports do claim that shipping lines were using such a priority booking tactic to gain access to forwarders' customer data to do business with shippers directly. This vertical integration business strategy pursued by some of the biggest shipping lines was placing them in direct competition with independent & SME forwarders for landside logistics, warehousing & customs clearance.

Without independent forwarders, there would be a "substantial lessening" of competition in the market, with shippers left to rely on a small pool of global players. Effectively, many forwarders may disappear, & the relevant forwarding & logistics services will only be available to shippers & receivers as 'tied-in services' available through carriers' affiliated entities & a small number of multinational forwarders.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

With Shipping lines tightening their grip on the container supply chain - result in forwarders "disappearing"?

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TAX CUTS ON PALM OIL IMPORTS

- India largest importer of palm oil in the world cut its basic import duty on CPO to 10% from 15% effective from June 30 for a period of 3 months.
- Including the additional agri cess, of 17.5% & a 10% social welfare cess, the reduction had brought down the effective tax rate on CPO to 30.25% from the earlier 35.75%.



DP WORLD + TAMIL NADU GOVT.

- UAE-based logistics major DP World is investing around INR 2,000 crore in a slew of projects in Tamil Nadu.
- It includes setting up of a new container terminal, cold storage & seafood processing zone among other units



FREIGHT RATE CAP : FREE MARKET REGIME ?

- Shipping lines needed to be transparent in their pricing as the Competition Commission could look into the issue.
- The govt is also looking into suggestions to restrict the shipment of empty containers from Indian ports as China is paying a premium for these containers.



VISAKHAPATNAM PORT TRUST DOUBLING

- Visakhapatnam Port Trust to increase its handling capacity from the present 2.5 million tonnes to 4.5 million tonnes.
- The port achieved 9% growth in cargo operations till Aug'21 this year compared to previous year despite the pandemic.



FROM THE HR DESK GANESH CHATURTHI 2021

At Cargosol, we celebrate with great devotion the auspicious festival of Ganesh Chaturthi.

For 10 days we remember Lord Ganesha, the God of wealth, sciences, knowledge, wisdom and prosperity.





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Our own fleet

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