

Bhivandi No entry

To,
The Commissioner of Police
Shri. Anil Dhere.
Thane.

Date: 07/10/09

Sub: Regarding Implementing no-entry on Mankoli-Anjur Cwok-Kasheli Road

Dear Sir

With reference to above you have Implemented no-entry on Mankoli-Anjur Cwok-Kasheli Road from 08.00 to 20.00 Hrs vide your notification number H/PSH/TRAFFIC/381/27/09 dated 18/09/09 and consequent partial amendment dated 29/09/09 imposing no entry from 10.00 hrs to 19.00 hrs. For multi-excel trailer and container carrying vehicles from both the sides except Sundays.

We as association are mostly involved in handling import and export containers to and from Nava-Shiva and other parts of the country. Our members having around 14-15,000 container carrying vehicles and handling major import and export cargo from Nava-Shiva port out of which 20% to 30% cargo is off loaded in Bhivandi warehouses for trans shipments. Also some of the cargo is from Gujarat state and rest of the north India is brought for stuffing for Export in Bhivandi warehouses.

Hence our association members are largely affected due to no entry and we strongly oppose the same.

We as an association find no fault of ours that the no entry should be implemented on us?

Are we responsible for the bad roads in Bhivandi area? in fact we cannot call it a road as it is full of pot holes.

Are we responsible for the bad infrastructure and planning made by Bhivandi Municipality? Before expanding the area and permitting so many warehouses did they consider the traffic movement and provided wide and good roads? There is no licensing authority to check at all.

Let me please remind you that the same route is given to us as an alternative route while implementing no entry on Ghodbander road.

Why not all warehouses to be made operative 24 hours to avoid congestion? The congestion in Bhivandi is only because all warehouses are only operative in day time.

Only because of implementation of no entry in day time our vehicles will be wasting 24 hours more for every delivery which is the great loss to our business economically and will adversely affect Import and Export.

With great regret we would like you to bring to your notice that before implementing the no entry we have shared our opinion in the meeting held at Bhivandi with A.C.P. Traffic Mr. Juikar and noted our strong opposition. At the meeting the resolution was also passed to take several measures.

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1. Arrangement of cones to be made by I.R.B. near entry point to avoid traffic jam on main road and instructing driver at toll collection point for smooth flow.

2. To fill the pot holes on war footing by newly appointed contractor who was also present in the meeting.

3. It was also decided to inter connect the warehouses roads to avoid traffic jam at the entry point.

4. To implement one way traffic on some routes.

5. To take separate meeting with all warehouse owners for requesting them to make warehouses operative for 24 hours.

6. Regulating parking of tempos and three wheeler vehicles.

It was also decided that the situation will be reviewed after one month by taking above measures and thereafter to decide whether the no entry is to be implemented or not.

Also please note that we do not have any parking or holding area prior to no entry point which will lead to further traffic jam and danger of exploitation by anti social elements.

It is our industry who pays all the tax in advance and still our sector is kept away from all the facilities created by the revenue earned from us and we are the only sufferers due to such a no entry implementation.

We as a transporter and as a citizen of India feel that it is our fundamental right to choose nearest and easiest way to our destination. Also the road which is given as a alternative road for diversion, no entry should not be implemented.

As it is common phenomena , that as and when there is a little bit traffic congestion on any road, instead of regulating the same efficiently the road is been closed for trailers and container carrying vehicles which is not a solution.

Hence we would request you to consider our difficulties and give us an appointment with 10 days to meet you personally along with delegates to discuss above matter in depth. We hope that you will think positively and solve the problem for our survival.

Thanking you,
Yours' faithfully,

**For Maharashtra Heavy Vehicle and Interstate
Container Operators Association.**

**Pravin Paithankar.
(President)**