Sub: Exemption from mandatory (100%) weighment in case of containerized Import traffic

Ref: Rates Circular No.16 of 2013 and Rates Circular No.25 of 2016

As per extant guidelines, exemption from mandatory (100%) weighment in case of containerized import traffic is permitted only in the case of following three Container Train Operators (CTOs):

(i) Container Corporation of India Ltd.
(ii) Gateway Rail Freight Ltd.
(iii) Distribution Logistics Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.

As per above referred policy circulars, the above-mentioned exemption is given subject to the fulfillment of condition that CTOs shall submit electronically, through Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), the train summary as well as the associated Sub Manifest Transhipment Permit (SMTP) in case of import traffic. SMTPs (in XML format) shall separately be obtained directly by FOIS from Customs through EDI. Mapping of the containers as mentioned in SMTP with the containers loaded in the relevant rake shall be done by FOIS. In case SMTP details are not captured through EDI and goods clerk feeds them manually, rake should be weighed by the Railway.

CRIS/FOIS is requested to confirm that the above guidelines are incorporated in the system.

Further, it is reiterated that TMS shall prepare RR/charge only as per weighment details received from Customs through EDI. That is, it must rule out the technical possibility of any modification in weighment details of each container when received in TMS.