

# ICD Durgapur fulfils eagerly awaited trade demand to connect eastern India with JNPT

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**C**ONTAINER shortage and space constraints in vessels have been a major challenge for exporters in eastern India. Moreover, the lack of sufficient

Europe-bound vessels in Kolkata and Haldia ports has further compounded the problems. As a result, exporters in the region have been facing issues with

regard to timely completion of their international orders.

A feasible alternative of exporting cargo through JNPT (Mumbai) has been explored. However, export movement directly through JNPT becomes a cumbersome job for exporters based in eastern India who have to transport their loose cargo all the way to the Mumbai region. Considering this situation, **ICD Durgapur has emerged as a feasible option for exporters who wish to move their cargo from eastern India to Europe via JNPT.** In



this scenario, exporters simply need to deliver their loose cargo to ICD Durgapur. The cargo is then stuffed in con-

tainers and moves directly to JNPT using Customs seal. This process enables direct (Continued on page 10)

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entry to the gateway ports and helps exporters reduce their compliance cost, highlighted a release.

ICD Durgapur is owned and managed by Allied ICD Services Ltd (AISL). **Ms Anusree Sen, Deputy General Manager of AISL**, said, "Our government's vision of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' (self-reliant India) promotes efficiency by seeking to integrate the logistics infrastructure of our nation. Recently, **AISL has executed seamless export**

**movement of 35x40' containers of Graphite India Ltd via ICD Durgapur to JNPT.** We are eager to provide similar efficient services for all exporters in eastern India who wish to export through any gateway port in India".

Allied ICD Services is AEO-LO certified by Indian Customs. The company also has an ISO 9001:2015 accreditation from Bureau Veritas. With over 15 years of industry experience, Allied ICD Services has a dedicated team of employ-

ees and is certified as a 'Great Place to Work' company by

Great Place to Work Institute-India, the release added.