

SHIPPING / CARGO / PORTS RELATED
DISPUTES CONFERENCE, KOLKOTA

**PRACTICAL LESSONS FROM ORE , GRAIN
AND COAL CARGO CLAIMS**



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INTRODUCTION

1. MARKET SHARE	- 1. GRAIN		4 %
	2. IRON ORE	8 %	
	3. COAL	10 %	
			22 %
BY TONNE MILES	- 1. GRAIN		5 %
	2. IRON ORE	13 %	
	3. COAL		12 %
			30 %

2. ISSUES AND PROBLEMS VASTLY DIFFERENT

3. ECONOMIES OF SCALE

ECONOMIES OF PRICING / CONSUMPTION PATTERNS

MAKES BULK CARRIER THE WORK HORSE

GRAIN

- **CHALLENGES -**
 - STABILITY**
 - INFESTATION**
 - FUMIGATION – REMEDY WORSE THAN DISEASE**

- **APPROACH -**
 - GRAIN STABILITY MONITORED BY ADMINISTRATION**

PHYTO SANITARY CLEARANCES

e.g. USDA

FUMIGATION AS PER IMDG CODE



ORE

IRON ORE AND IRON ORE FINES - SOURCES OF WATER

- MOISTURE LEADS TO LIQUEFACTION
- HEAVY MOMENT AND FREE SURFACE EFFECT



COAL

- QUANTITY
- MOISTURE
- SURFACE RUN OFF
- SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION
- HYGROSCOPIC



GRAIN - CASE STUDIES

1. RODENTS WITH CARGO
2. INFESTATION DURING LOADING – HALF CARGO ON BOARD
3. RAIN DAMAGE – INFESTATION
4. NEGLIGENT FUMIGATION LEADING TO CASUALTIES



IRON ORE FINES – CASE STUDIES

1. NEAR MISS – HALF CARGO QUANTITY LOADED/SAILED
2. BEACHED , SALVAGED BUT A MONTHS DELAY
3. CTL



COAL – CASE STUDIES

1. FREE WATER
2. QUANTITY
3. SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION



CLAIMS ARISING

1. DELAYS / DEMURRAGE
2. CLAUSED BL - AFFECTING LC
3. EFFECT ON VESSEL - INFESTATION BREEDING GROUND
BILGES AND BILGE LINES BLOCKED
QUARANTINE
DISPOSAL OF INFESTED CARGO
4. LOSS OF VESSEL AND LIVES
5. POLLUTION/ENVIRONMENT
6. GENERAL AVERAGE



LESSONS LEARNT

1. SEEK ADVICE – P & I CIRCULARS/ASSOCIATION EXPERIENCE
2. FOLLOW TRADE AND CARRIAGE GUIDELINES
3. NO COMPROMISE FOR PRE LOADING INSPECTIONS
4. EFFICIENT WATCHKEEPING – PRE LOADING /
LOADING/ CARRIAGE/DISCHARGE
5. ENDEAVOUR MR/BL CLAUSING DOES NOT ARISE
6. DO NOT HESITATE TO CLAUSE MR/BL SHOULD
SITUATION WARRNAT
7. PREVENTION BETTER THAN CURE

THANK YOU

