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Regulatory Changes - Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations (SCMTR) – India update 15
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Dear Valued Customer,

To ensure seamless customs clearance and avoid operational bottlenecks in manifest filing, Ocean Network Express (ONE) wishes your immediate attention to critical enforcement measures instituted by Indian Customs regarding the **Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations, 2018 (SCMTR)** in terms of data discrepancies in Cargo Summary Notification (CSN) declarations submitted by consolidators.

- **Mandatory Field Alignment**

Freight forwarders and NVOCCs must ensure 100% data parity between HBL parameters, the Master Bill of Lading (MBL), and declared Vessel Call details. Strict field verification applies to:

  - Voyage Call Number (VCN) and VCN Date
  - Equipment ISO Codes
  - Gross Cargo Weight and Total Package Counts
  - Bill of Lading Execution Date

- **Timely ODEX Transmission**

Accurate CSN details, including valid CSN numbers and dates, must be transmitted via the ODEX platform well ahead of prescribed SCMTR filing deadlines.

Data discrepancies or missing CSNs will prevent the MBL from incorporating into the Sea Arrival Manifest (SAM) at ICEGATE. This may lead to:

1. **Cargo Hold & Over carriage:** Containers may be detained at the port of discharge or retained onboard for over carriage to the next port.
2. **Customs Penalties:** Need for additional manual filings or administrative entry at Customs.
3. **Cost Allocation:** Statutory amendment fines, supplementary processing charges, demurrage, and detention resulting from missing or delayed CSN data will be **billed directly to the customer's account**.

We urge all trade partners to align operational workflows immediately to maintain compliance.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

For, **Ocean Network Express (India) Private Limited.**

Authorized Signatory