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Sub: Implementation of the Sea Cargo manifest and transshipment Regulations (SCMTR).

Dear Member,

This is to inform you that the Office of the Commissioner of Customs (NS-General), JNCH has issued Public Notice No. 08/2026 dated 12-01-2026 ([copy enclosed](#)) regarding the implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR), 2018.

CBIC has reviewed the pan-India implementation of SCMTR and noted successful rollout of import-export manifest messages across all locations. Stuffing messages have been made live at all ports with effect from 25.09.2025. The transitional provisions under SCMTR have been extended up to 31.03.2026 vide Notification No. 79/2025-Customs (N.T.) dated 31.12.2025.

Members are advised to ensure compliance with SCMTR requirements. Any issues may be taken up with the Assistant Commissioner, SCMTR Cell.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal
Executive Director

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