

'The Force'



THE INTERNATIONAL FORCE GROUP

**Newsletter of FORCE Group
September - October, 2022**

From My desk



Dear Friends,

Good day! I believe all of you are doing well and keeping busy. The world is slowly getting away from the pandemic but then we are also faced with economic issues as a result from the pandemic and on the other hand the on-going war. Let us hope for better times in 2023.

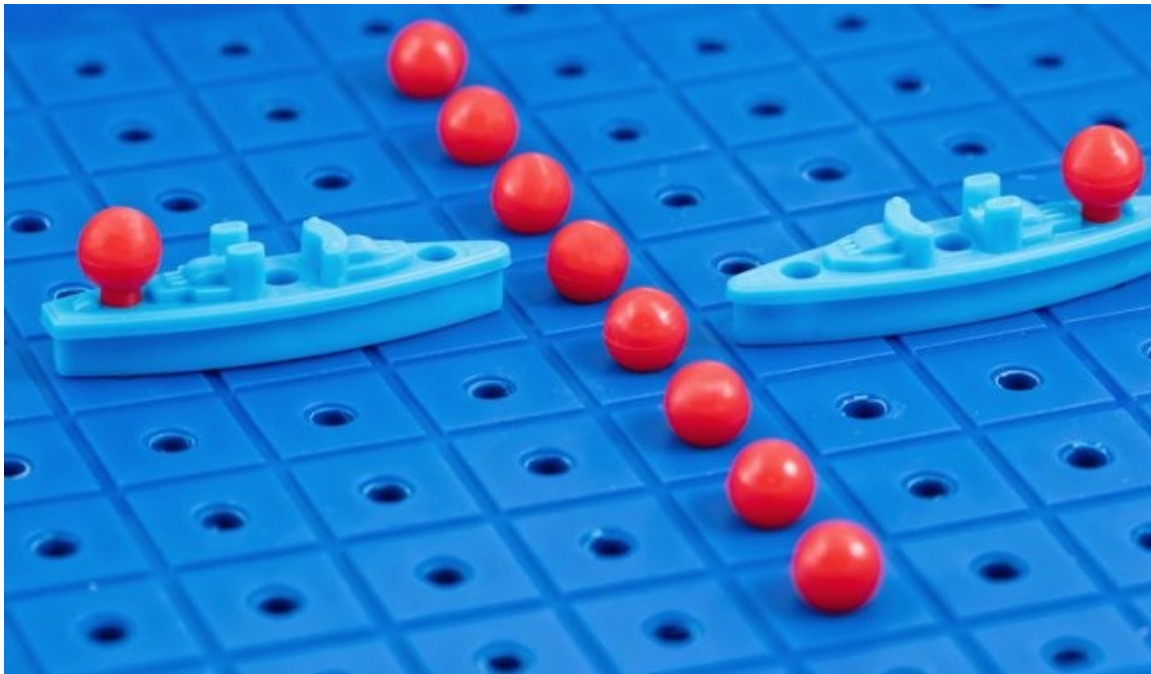
I am happy to announce that after a successful AGM in May, we have just concluded a successful Far East Regional Meeting in Singapore where 8 countries and 12 delegates participated. Unfortunately 2 confirmed countries had to pull out at the last minute due to medical reasons. You would have seen some of the photos from the event on the WhatsApp group.

We now look forward to the FORCE Congress / AGM to be held in Dubai in March 2023 and the Secretariat is very busy making all the preparations with assistance from our Member in Dubai. We shall keep all of you updated of the progress in the next 2/ 3 months and look forward to seeing you all in big numbers in this vibrant and exciting city of Dubai. Save the dates and plan your travel from now.

Warm Regards,
Rohitha

LATEST NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF FREIGHT AND LOGISTICS – Happy reading

Shippers demand change as battle lines are drawn over EC review of CBER



The battle between shipping lines and their customers is heating up as the European Commission (EC) begins to consider whether to extend the Consortia Block Exemption Regulation (CBER), which allows vessel-sharing.

Read More >>> <https://theloadstar.com/shippers-demand-change-as-battle-lines-are-drawn-over-ec-review-of-cber/>

Carriers now 'begging for business' as volumes and rates tumble



Xeneta's long-term XSI shipping index fell last month for the first time since January, and is likely to drop sharply in the coming months as shippers demand cheaper new contracts and mid-term rate reductions.

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IATA's 'inflexible' CASS comes under pressure as users eye PayCargo instead



In a blow to IATA, the future of CASS, its payments system, is in doubt after PayCargo announced this morning that it was going global and adding export payments to its platform.

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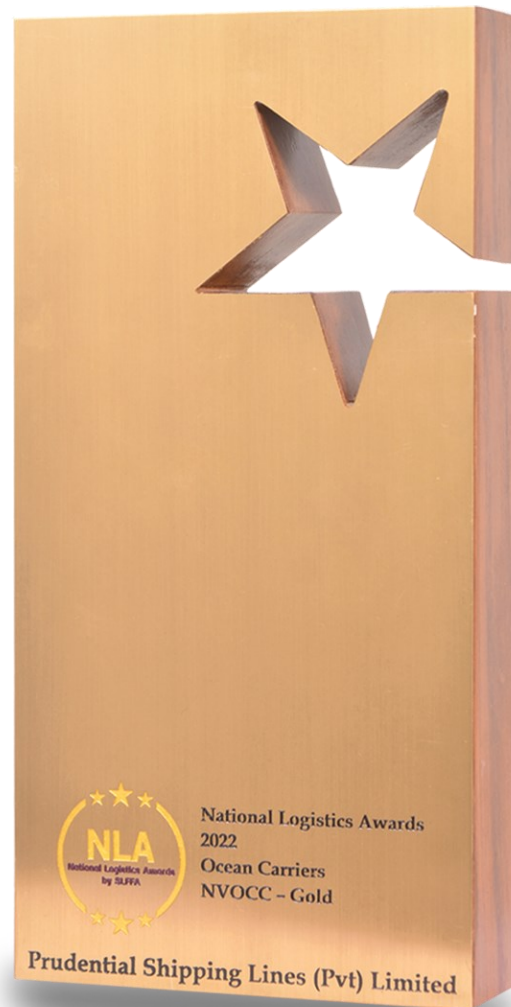
Our Congratulations

**to Vijayendra Parvataneni as he takes Charge
As MANSA's President**



Vijayendra Parvataneni of Seaways Shipping – India has taken over the reins at Maritime Association of Nationwide Shipping Agencies (MANSA) as the unanimously elected President at the Annual General Meeting.

Prudential Shipping wins **GOLD** Award at the inaugural National Logistics Awards under Ocean Carriers, NVOCC Sector



**And Associate Company
Premium Trading & Logistics
Wins SILVER Award under
Customs House Brokers**





Far East Regional Meeting 2022

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FERM in Pictures . . .





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-  **Forward Thinking** – "Our team have worked tirelessly to strategise and execute plans to stay ahead of the many challenges that have continued to come our way throughout the pandemic. I'm proud of our efforts and our customers' feedback has been both positive and appreciative" Keith Hobbs, Managing Director & Founder.
 -  **Global Reach** - With our Auckland-based Head Office and our Warehouse Facility at Verissimo Drive, close to Auckland's International Airport, Hobbs Global can provide customers with a seamless Customs Brokerage, international freight forwarding and logistics solution. We are complimented by HGL International who have offices both in Shanghai and Hong Kong.
 -  **Customs Brokerage** – Our senior brokers can provide you with an unparalleled level of expertise. We ensure our customers are kept informed, advising and passing on valuable information relating to any regulatory NZ Customs notices, services or changes.
 -  **3PL Contract Warehousing** – Our services include a HACCP (Food Safety) approved facility along with cross docking services for companies that don't have their own ATF (Approved Transitional Facility) and client "contract" container devanning services.
 -  **Courier Services** – Worldwide, import and export, on-line tracking and competitive, wholesale pricing are available.
 -  **Satisfied Customers** - "Hobbs Global Logistics Solutions have performed faultlessly for Cormack's New Zealand business throughout the past two challenging years. We know our partnership with Hobbs Global gives us a real advantage, ensuring customers get our products on time". Martin Taylor, NZ Sales Manager, Cormack Packaging - A TricorBraun Company.

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Annual General Meeting 2023

@Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel



*Vibrant
Dubai*



Brief Itinerary

- 4th / 5th March - arrivals
- Sunday, 5th March - EXCO meeting - AM hrs / Desert safari, drinks and dinner - Leave hotel by 1.45 pm
- Monday, 6th March - Full day AGM / Dinner hosted by Freight International, Dubai - from 6.30 pm
- Tuesday, 7th March - Full day B2B meetings / Gala Dinner

Room Details :

- AED 700 (USD 191) Net per Single room on BB, per night
- AED 750 (USD 205) Net per Double room on BB, per night
- AED 20/- (USD 5.5) Tourism fee per room, per night, payable direct to the hotel at check in

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE -

RATE validity ONLY till Friday, 13th January 2023
Higher, direct rates will be applicable thereafter.

- Reservations direct to the hotel via link
- Payment guarantee via Credit card
- Link for reservation / Booking Ref Code – Will be shared shortly.

Visa to Dubai - Please check requirements with your Ticketing agent.



Letters of invitation, please contact Jalal:
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More details will be updated

As-salam alaikum

Look forward to seeing you all in Dubai!

