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# New Vector Management Plan Requirement for Port of Kandla, India



The Port Health Organization (PHO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, in the Port of Kandla has recently issued compliance instructions for port entry and operations, which include the requirement for all vessels to be provided with a **Vector Management Plan**.

This Plan should include procedures and best practices related to the control of contagious diseases passed on by insects or other animals that normally transport infectious agents that constitute a public health risk, such as insects and rodents (mosquitoes, rats, mice, cockroaches, flies, lice and rat fleas). The Plan should also take into account the **PHO Compliance Instructions for Port Entry and Operations** and include a **Pest Log**, which is to be kept up to date by the vessel.

Evidence of heavy rodent infestation may lead to the vessel's removal from berth and shifting to anchorage for control measures and the vessel may be fined on a per day basis.



**AMC** has already prepared numerous Vector Management Plans and can assist in the preparation of subject booklets in accordance with PHO requirements.

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