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S.O. 6238(E) of November 16, 2026 names who uploads advance waste notices, waste delivery receipts and reception facility requests, under the Indian Ports Act.

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The operator, agent, master or owner of a vessel intending to arrive at an Indian port or anchorage shall, prior to arrival, prepare and upload the advance waste notice in accordance with the Indian Ports Rules, 2026. The same persons shall file a request for reception facilities electronically on the portal. Upon delivery of vessel-generated waste to a reception facility, an officer designated by the Authority, an authorized waste reception contractor or another designated entity shall upload the authenticated waste delivery receipt, certifying acceptance of the waste and compliance with applicable standards.

All uploads are made in the formats specified on the portal. "Portal" means the "maritime single window" as defined in rule 3(1)(g) of the Indian Ports Rules, 2026, and "Authority" has the meaning in section 2(1)(b) of the Act.

The notification is made under section 43 of the Indian Ports Act, 2025 (27 of 2025) and comes into force on December 1, 2026. It was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii), No. 5998, dated November 16, 2026 (CG-DL-E-17112026-277970), and is signed by Praveen P. Nair, Joint Secretary, under F. No. PD-24015/18/2026-PD-1/E-383490.

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Formats	As specified on the portal
Signed by	Praveen P. Nair, Joint Secretary

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Who uploads what

Information	Uploaded by	When
Advance waste notice	Operator, agent, master or owner of the vessel	Prior to arrival at an Indian port or anchorage
Authenticated waste delivery receipt	An officer designated by the Authority, an authorized waste reception contractor or other designated entity	Upon delivery of vessel-generated waste to a reception facility
Request for reception facilities	Operator, agent, master or owner of the vessel	Not stated

The notification (PDF, 444 KB)

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