

# CustomerInfo

India - Mandatory declaration of GSTIN, IEC and email address

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Dear Customer,

Further to our CustomerInfo dated February 13, 2018 with regards to mandatory requirement of Goods and Tax Identification Number (GSTIN), please be advised that Commissioner of Customs have issued public notification #33/2018 dated March 7, 2018 in which they have advised that shipping lines should capture basic information of the importer in India on the Bills of Lading. Importers are accordingly required to ensure that following basic details are shared with their exporters so that these details can be incorporated in the Bills of Lading.

In view of above, you are requested to provide below information at the time of submitting shipping instruction at origin:

- **Import & export Code (IEC) of importer**
- **GST Identification No (GSTIN) of importer**
- **Official email id of importer (to be used for correspondence by shipping lines and customs)**

Effective date for above is April 1, 2018 i.e. all Bills of Lading issued on or after April 1, 2018, should contain aforesaid additional details.

For further information please contact your local Hapag-Lloyd office.

Kind regards,

Hapag-Lloyd India Pvt. Ltd.  
As agent of Hapag-Lloyd AG