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Bulk Cargo Discharging at Gwadar Port:

Gwadar port is located in the southwestern part of Pakistan, serves as a gateway for the country to the Arabian Sea, and has become a hub for regional and international trade. With the development of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the port is playing an increasingly important role in connecting the countries of Central and South Asia with the rest of the world.

The Gwadar port in Pakistan has seen strong cargo movements with ships calling in regularly with Bulk and General cargo. This port presents opportunity for the shipping industry and promises efficient handling of cargo in this region.

Recently, there have been instances of vessels facing cargo shortages and cases of damage cargo at the Gwadar port during dispatch. The government-run entity, TCP being the consignee typically detains the vessel having a shortage. To secure its release, the vessel owner must either provide a bank guarantee for the full claim amount in a court or opt for an out-of-court settlement by paying the full claim amount to TCP. The latter option is often preferred as it is more time and cost-effective.

In order to prevent these potential cargo shortage issues, it is advisable to appoint P&I surveyors, similar to the practice in the ports of Karachi. Our experienced P&I surveyors have recently been on board vessels to conduct Initial and Final Draught Surveys, ensuring continuous monitoring and tallying at the weighbridge. This proactive approach helps to mitigate the risk of cargo shortage claims and ensures a smooth discharging operation without any complications.

For the reference and guidance, the bulk cargo is discharged from the vessel through grabs using ship's cranes and dropped into the hoppers of the bagging plant.



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