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# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE 2021



2020, the start of the new decade was a very eventful and challenging year in all aspects, which many will not forget in the many years to come. The COVID-19 pandemic took the world by surprise as the affected cases surged globally, taking away the lives of many and causing enormous impacts to the global economy, businesses and our daily lives.

A year later, many countries in the world are still struggling to keep things under control, with many countries experiencing multiple waves of infection after the initial lockdowns. While risk of infection will be greatly reduced once the vaccine is widely available, the pandemic is not ending overnight, and life would not be the same pre COVID-19 again.

As the world struggles with the pandemic, political and economic events around the globe such as Joe Biden being elected as the President of United States, the official Brexit happening on 1st January 2021, contributes to the many uncertainties and impacting trade movements between countries.

In the shipping world, Asia container freight rates soared to unprecedented record high levels. These were also largely caused by the measures to curb the spread of COVID-19, which resulted in capacity crunch and severe shortage of equipment in the Asia outbound trade routes. Even the traditional more stable Intra Asia trade lanes are not spared with the accelerating rates. The ascending trend will continue to prevail for some time and we will not be expecting normal freight levels for many months before there will be normalcy in the industry.

The pandemic has created a New Normal, accelerating the need for Digitalization. e-Commerce has experienced a huge boom and along with it developed opportunities for e-Commerce supply chain. Logistics players need to jump onto the new bandwagon so as not to miss the boat. This is uncharted territory and we are also learning and adapting as we move along.

Notwithstanding the challenges we have faced in 2020, our volumes recover reasonably well in many countries caused by the initial lockdowns, and I am grateful to the team for their perseverance and hard work. Opportunities that have surfaced in the time of crisis have also been identified. We have expanded our service offering for Rail Freight when Air capacity was an issue and we are proud to say that we are offering 4 regular rail trade lanes from China to Europe today.

As our Group continues to embark on our digital transformation journey, we strive to further improve on our productivity and efficiency, creating the best value for our customers. With our strong and mature branding and network, we are confident that we can overcome all challenges in the year ahead.

I would like to thank all our customers for your continual support, and we look forward to working even closer with you as we weather the storm ahead together.

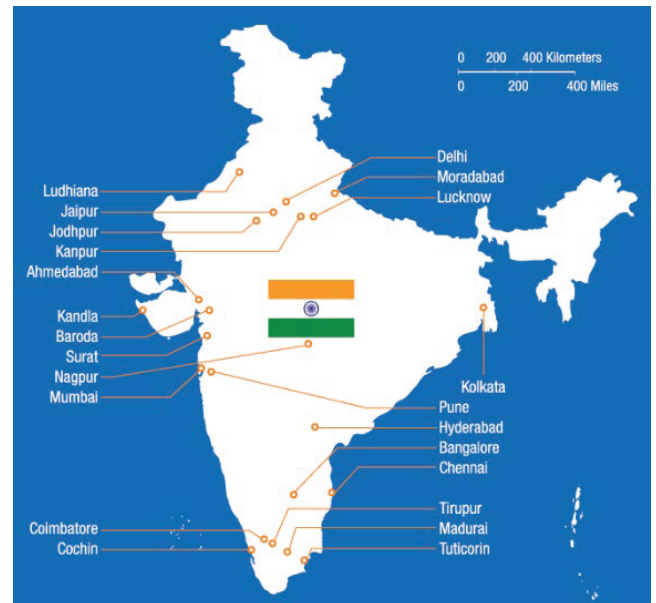
Let me wish you and your family a Happy New Year, and may the New Year bless you with good health, happiness and successes!

**Executive Chairman**  
**Mr Tan Choon Wei**

# COUNTRY FOCUS - INDIA

## Globelink India

is a leading integrated logistics service provider with activities spanning across LCL Consolidation, Air & Ocean Forwarding, Project logistics, Chartering and Break-bulk services and Supply Chain Management. Our branches are spread across 23 locations in India that are nodal points at the Gateways as well as the hinterlands of the 3.287 million square kilometer geography.



Established 31 years ago, we are propelled by a strong team of professionals with extensive industry knowledge and experience, across the multimodal transport arena. Over the years, we have emphasized in maintaining the highest quality standards. Also with constant innovation and improvements to be able to deliver the most optimal freight solutions and superior service levels to our customers.







We and our GCA network, work closely in co-operation ensuring that the solutions and service levels are ensured over the global movement of our customers' & partners' cargo.

## 1. COMPREHENSIVE SERVICE COVERAGE

Globelink India's operations are spread across 23 locations in India covering the various ports and important inland locations, to service the multitude requirements our customers. Our service coverage is listed as follows:

### Inbound Inlands

Destination	Gateway Port	Transit Time	Frequency
Ahmedabad	Nhava Sheva	24-36 Hours	Weekly
Bangalore	Chennai	1 Day	Weekly Thrice
Hyderabad	Chennai	2 Days	Weekly
Ludhiana	Nhava Sheva	3-4 Days	Weekly
New Delhi	Nhava Sheva	3-4 Days	Weekly Thrice

*The rest are all serviced on a port to door basis for LCL Shipments*



## Outbound Inlands

Origin	Gateway Port	Transit Time	Frequency
Ahmedabad	Nhava Sheva	24-36 Hours	Weekly Thrice
Bangalore	Chennai	1 Day	Weekly Twice
Bangalore	Nhava Sheva	2 Days	Fortnightly
Bangalore	Tuticorin	1 Day	Weekly
Baroda	Nhava Sheva	2 Days	Weekly
Coimbatore	Chennai	1 Day	Weekly Twice
Hyderabad	Nhava Sheva	2 Days	Weekly Twice
Indore	Nhava Sheva	2 Days	Fortnightly
Jaipur	Shipper to Handover directly @ Nhava Sheva		
Jodhpur	Nhava Sheva	3-4 Days	Fortnightly
Kanpur	Shipper to Handover directly @ Nhava Sheva		
Ludhiana	Nhava Sheva	3-4 Days	Weekly Twice
Moradabad	Shipper to Handover directly @ Nhava Sheva		
New Delhi	Nhava Sheva	3-4 Days	Weekly Twice
Tirupur	Shipper to handover	Directly @ Tuticorin	
Nagpur	Shipper to Handover directly @ Nhava Sheva		
Madurai	Shipper to handover	Directly @ Tuticorin	

## Main Gateway Ports

Port	Region
Nhava Sheva	West
Kandla	West
Chennai	South
Tuticorin	South
Cochin	South
Kolkata	East



# NOTICE: COMPLETE RESTRICTION OF IMO CARGO TO LEBANON

Due to the Beirut port blast of 4th August 2020, the Lebanese customs have put recently very strict conditions on the storage of Imo cargo as LCL in the warehouses of the Lebanese ports, which cannot be met by any of the currently operating logistics companies.

Import by FCL is still possible under certain conditions that importers have to meet and present to the authorities prior to shipment.





# NOTICE: HONG KONG — AFFECTED SERVICES FOR CHINESE NEW YEAR 2021



Due to the COVID-19 quarantine requirements for the ship crew on board the coastal feeders running between South China and Hong Kong waters, feeder operators announced their services to be suspended from mid-Jan to late Feb 2021.

In consequence of the above, our services between Hong Kong, and Fuzhou, Xiamen and the entire Pearl River Delta will be greatly affected. Below are the list of the affected destinations:

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|---------------------|---------------|
| • HUA DU            | • WU CHUNGKOU |
| • HAI KOU           | • GUANGPOTUNG |
| • JIANGMEN          | • RONGQI      |
| • SANSHAN           | • BEIJIAO     |
| • ZHONGSHAN         | • XIAOLAN     |
| • ZHU HAI (HONGWAN) | • SHENWAN     |
| • MACAU             | • LIANHUASHAN |
| • JIAO XIN          | • DONGFA      |
| • JISI              | • NANWEI      |

There will be no service from Hong Kong to the abovementioned destinations from 15 Jan to 23 Feb 2021, with the exception of Macau which will not have service from 02 Feb to 23 Feb 2021.

The perennial peak season and pre-Chinese New Year Holiday shipment rush will lead to further congestion. As such, there will be expected delays in shipments, including transshipment via Hong Kong and Hong Kong export services. The above situation in Hong Kong will persist all the way going into the Chinese New Year period.

To mitigate the situation, please consider routing your cargo via other hubs such as Singapore and Busan.

## Public Holidays for January

COUNTRY	DATE	HOLIDAY (2021)
Australia	01 Jan 26 Jan	New Year's Day Australia Day
Thailand	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Bulgaria	01 Jan	New Year's Day
China	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Sri Lanka	14 Jan 28 Jan	Tamil Thai Pongal Day Duruthu Full Moon Poya Day
Costa Rica	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Croatia	01 Jan 06 Jan	New Year's Day Epiphany
Qatar	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Egypt	07 Jan 25 Jan	Coptic Christmas Day 25 January Revolution Day
Guatemala	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Hong Kong	01 Jan	New Year's Day
India	01 Jan 14 Jan 26 Jan	New Year's Day Makar Sankranti Republic Day
Indonesia	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Korea	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Kuwait	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Malaysia	28 Jan 01 Jan 11 Jan	Thaipooosam Cavadee New Year's Day Manifesto of Independence
Philippines	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Portugal	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Romania	01 - 02 Jan 24 Jan	New Year's Day Unification Day
Singapore	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Slovenia	01 - 02 Jan	New Year's Day
Spain	01 Jan 06 Jan	New Year's Day Epiphany
Taiwan	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Turkey	01 Jan	New Year's Day
U.A.E	01 Jan	New Year's Day
United Kingdom	01 Jan	New Year's Day
Vietnam	01 Jan	New Year's Day



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