

Safcor Panalpina's bulletin to our valued partners

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Long Weekend & Road Freight

Heavy traffic volumes, as many people take a long weekend together with bad weather forecast across the southern parts of the country, are likely to impact road freight movements for clients in the coming week, particularly those in Gauteng. Traffic authorities could delay heavy vehicles on the busy N2 and the N3 route between Durban and Gauteng during peak periods or severe weather conditions.

India Delays

Shipments from India are currently experiencing lengthy delays. All major ports are affected by a variety of difficulties ranging from labour unrest, equipment breakdowns and lack of infrastructure, to heavy monsoon rains. While we will continue to take all necessary steps to expedite clients' cargoes these physical constraints may inevitably delay shipments for clients.

European Summer Holidays

We remind clients that many businesses either close completely, or work on a skeleton staff during the European summer holiday season. In Southern Europe, especially Italy, most people take their annual break from now until the end of the month. Our Italian colleagues have already reported difficulties in arranging equipment and cargo movements for export consignments. Even where transport can be arranged, heavy holiday traffic volumes may further delay cargo movements. The situation is likely to persist until month-end.

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