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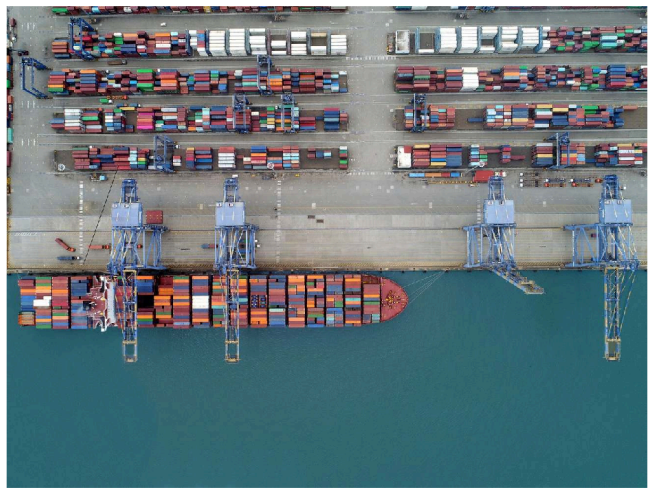
DP WORLD STRENGTHENS INDIA-SRI LANKA CONNECTIVITY WITH SECOND WEEKLY COCHIN-COLOMBO SERVICE

COCHIN – 18 Nov, 2026: DP World has strengthened maritime connectivity between India and Sri Lanka with the introduction of a second weekly service linking Cochin and Colombo. The additional sailing provides businesses in Southern India with greater flexibility in planning cargo movements, while strengthening access to regional and international shipping networks.

The additional service, SIS, operated by Bengal Tiger Line (BTL), runs on the Mangalore–Cochin–Colombo–Mangalore rotation and calls at DP World's International Container Transshipment Terminal (ICTT) in Cochin, facilitating cargo movements between Mangalore and Cochin in both directions.

The inaugural vessel, M.V. TC SYMPHONY, berthed at DP World Cochin with a capacity of approximately 1,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs).

Hemant Kumar Ruia, Country Manager, Subcontinent, (India), DP World, said, "As India continues to strengthen its position as a global manufacturing and trade hub, seamless maritime connectivity with key regional markets is increasingly important to sustaining trade growth and competitiveness. The introduction of a second weekly Cochin–Colombo service marks another step towards strengthening regional trade links, offering businesses greater flexibility, improved access to international shipping networks and more reliable supply chains. By enhancing connectivity between India and Sri Lanka, we are enabling more efficient cargo movement and creating new opportunities for businesses to access global markets. At DP World, we remain committed to investing in integrated port and logistics infrastructure that simplifies trade, strengthens regional connectivity and supports India's growing role in global commerce."



The additional service further strengthens DP World Cochin's position as a gateway for Southern India's trade, offering customers more sailing options and supporting connectivity to international markets through Colombo.

DP World has also developed Kerala's first Free Trade Warehousing Zone (FTWZ) at Cochin; the only facility of its kind in India co-located within a major port. Together with DP World Cochin, the FTWZ facility strengthens DP World's end to end logistics proposition in the region, enhancing connectivity and supply chain resilience for businesses.