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SUB: -HSD OIL - Receiving of HSD oil through Tank Trucks - Certain instructions to be observed while receiving and decanting of HSD oil at depots - Reg.

REF: -1) Circular No. 37/2000-MED, dtd: 18.10.2000

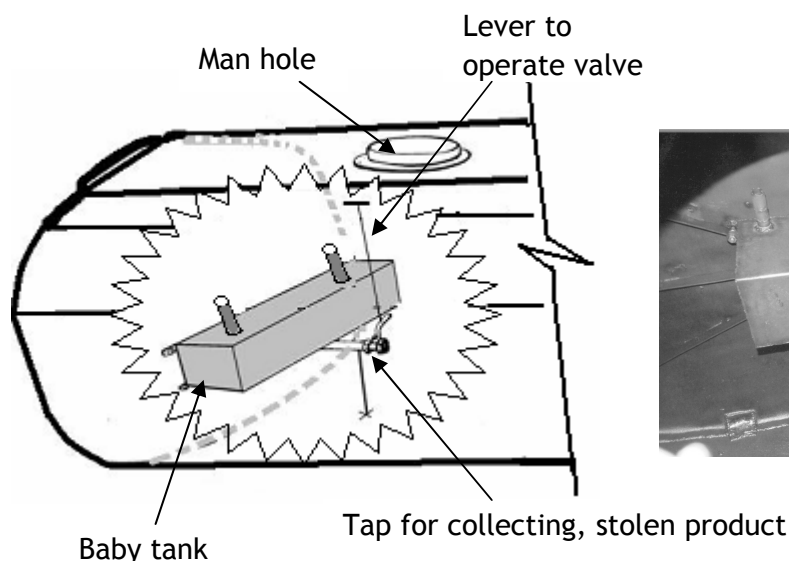
2) Circular No. 25/2008-MED, dtd: 11.12.08

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Instructions are in vogue on the procedure to be adopted while receiving, decanting and it's accountal of HSD oil through tank trucks at depots for proper receipt of HSD as per the invoice.

Though all the precautions are taken at the time of decanting as specified in the circulars, recently it has come to notice that Tank Truck drivers are indulging in innovative methods in defrauding the precious HSD oil and causing shortage at the depots.

In Ibrahimpatnam Depot of Hyderabad Region one such incidence of stealing HSD oil by constructing one "baby tank" inside one of the compartments of the tanker was caught with the assistance of Inspector, Legal Metrology. In view of the repeated shortages noticed after decanting from one of the Tankers regularly supplying to the Depots, the depot Manager has arranged for a vigil on the concerned truck and identified the above arrangement after thorough inspection. The arrangement made by the truck operator to steal the product is shown below.



Normally, while measuring the quantity in the truck, the readings will be in order and no shortages will be noticed with this arrangement. Since this baby tank is inside the compartment, it is difficult to identify by normal checking. The oil in the baby tank can not be decanted unless the valve fitted to it is opened. After going out of the Depot, the tanker driver by operating a small valve with the help of an "Ellen Key" which is adjacent to the manhole provided underneath the ladder on top of the tank decants the remaining diesel (upto 300 ltrs) and sell in the retail market.

One such incident was also identified by a private Filling Station in Hyderabad City. These incidents reveal that such practices may be continued by some of the private tankers, which are supplying HSD oil to our depots. Hence, there is every need to inspect all the Tankers supplying diesel to us for such arrangement, if any.

Further, it is also advised to have a track of the tankers supplying diesel to our depots. Whenever repeated shortages are noticed after decanting of the diesel by the particular tanker, thorough inspection of the tanker has to be carried besides informing the details of shortage to the concerned Oil companies for taking necessary action on the tankers.

The DMs are also advised to witness the decanting activity twice in a month besides scrutiny of Oil Tanker Register at regular intervals.

The Dy.Chief Mech. Engineers are advised to cross check the implementation of the instructions given above on the decanting of HSD at the depots under their jurisdiction during their visit.

The Regional Managers are advised to ensure execution of above instructions and review the subject during the periodical meetings with DMs/Maintenance In-charges for effective implementation.

Please acknowledge the receipt.

  
Vice Chairman & Managing Director.

To  
All the Depot Managers.

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