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In 2007, Seatech Shipping had arranged for the chartering of the first vessel to take berth at Krishnapatnam Port, *mv Frauke*, on her maiden voyage, a significant milestone for us. The vessel brought two Gottwald and two Liebherr cranes for the Krishnapatnam Port Corporation Limited (KPLC) for use as shore cranes.



MV. *Frauke* makes maiden call



Unloading operations at KPCL from *mv OXL Samurai*



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Seatech's team encountered numerous hurdles while loading a particular transformer which weighed approximately 123.5 tons. A peculiar problem faced by our team while loading the cargo under deck was the shortfall in the height of the lower hold at 4.2 mtrs. To safely load the transformer we had to raise the height of the twin deck by approx 600mm. This was professionally executed by Seatech's chief operations officer Mr. Khot under his personal supervision. Another 10 transformers weighing around 65-75 tons were also loaded on the same vessel.



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Seatech Shipping is at the forefront of Steel cargo handling, providing technical and operational expertise across all modes of transportation and regularly chartering and fixing ships for steel manufactures, exporters, steel trading houses both local and international. Seatech Shipping recently loaded 2500 cbm of steel pipes on *mv Susan K* on behalf of our clients, JSW Steel Ltd.

The cargo was loaded ex-Mundra for delivery to Lagos (Africa). Our team of experienced technicians and skilled workforce handled loading operations smoothly as a result the vessel was dispatched on time.



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At present, 873 vessels with total deadweight tonnage of 10.3 million are on order representing some 25 percent of the existing fleet. Although some vessel orders are likely to be canceled or deliveries delayed, shipowners and operators are confident the market will support whatever new capacity makes it to market.

Heavy scrapping of older vessels will curtail the overcapacity threat over the long term. About 38 percent of the multipurpose fleet, which stood at 3,991 vessels totaling 38.7 million dwt. at the end of 2008, is more than 25 years old and about 13 percent is more than 30 years old.

The old multipurpose vessels headed for the scrap yard are very different from the new ships replacing them. The ships that are going out are very old general cargo-type ships while the new ships are more efficient and far more suited for heavy-lift and project cargo, wind turbines, generators making the fleet more efficient.



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