Unit – II Liner Shipping Operations

Liner Shipping



Liner Shipping Business (Container)

- Liner shipping is the process of transporting goods and cargo from one destination to another by large ocean ships that move through regular routes on fixed schedules. There are more than 400 liner services in operation today. Most of these liner services provide weekly sailing from the ports of call.
- Liner shipping is by far the most efficient mode of transportation for goods. Liner shipping is carried out using various liner vessels like container ships, bulk carriers, tankers, specialist ships and so on.
- Among these, container ships stand top in carrying most of the world's goods. Bulk carriers are used to transport raw materials like coal or iron ore. Tankers are mainly used to transport oil, petroleum & other chemicals. Specialist ships consist of vessels such as research ships and ice breakers.

Liner Shipping

- Liner shipping is the service of transporting goods by means of high-capacity, ocean-going ships that transit regular routes on fixed schedules.
- There are approximately 400 liner services in operation today, most providing weekly departures from all the ports that each service calls.
- Liner vessels, primarily in the form of containerships and roll-on/roll-off ships, carry about 60 percent of the goods by value moved internationally by sea each year.

Liner Ships

- There are almost 6,000 ships, mostly containerships, operating in liner services with most built since 1980.
- Liner ships have the capacity to carry several warehouses-worth of goods, which makes one journey very efficient.
- In an average year a large container ship travels threequarters of the distance to the moon.
- That means that in its lifetime it travels to the moon and back nearly ten times!

Top 5 Shipping Lines in the world 2023

- Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC)
- A.P. Moller Maersk
- CMA CGM
- COSCO Shipping Lines (COSCO)
- Hapag-Lloyd

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A.P. Moller – Maersk



CMA CGM



COSCO Shipping Lines (COSCO)

