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MERCHANT SHIPPING NOTICE No. ___/2024 - Draft

**Subject: Procedure & Requirements for Pre-Arrival Notification of Security (PANS)
to Enter the Indian Port Facilities**

Whereas, the Government of India has ratified the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS), and the Convention entered into force on 25th May 1980 through accession. The International Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS Code), was established under Chapter XI-2 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) 1974 w.e.f. 01st July 2004. The ISPS Code sets forth a mandatory security framework for international shipping, providing comprehensive maritime and port security requirements.

2. Whereas, under SOLAS Regulation XI-2/9.2, a contracting government may require that ships intending to enter its port, furnish the specific information provided under Regulation XI-2/9.2.1 to officers duly authorised by that government to ensure compliance prior to their entry into the port facility. Compliance with this regulation is mandatory.

3. This Directorate has issued various circulars from time to time, to provide guidance to vessels entering Indian port facilities in line with the requirements specified under ISPS Code and specifically the Pre-Arrival Notification of Security (PANS). Accordingly, the PANS reporting for respective vessels is in format prescribed in these circulars.

4. However, there was a need felt to consolidate the existing circulars and revise the requirements in line with the Government policy towards ease of doing business. This circular is being accordingly issued to consolidate all previous circulars including but not limited to NT/ISPS/13/2005 dated 21 November 2005; NT/ISPS/SHIP/02/2009 dated 02 February 2009; NT/ISPS/SHIP/02/2011 dated 15 November 2011; NT/ISPS/CIRCULAR No. 01/2011 dated 28 September 2011; NT/ISPS/CIRCULAR No. 01/2020 dated 05 February 2020 issued providing "Guidelines to vessels for entry into Indian Port Facilities - ISPS Compliance related issues".

5. It may be noted that the Merchant Shipping (Ships and Port Facility Security) Rules, 2024 have been notified, requiring ships, ports, and companies to comply with the requirement prescribed in the notified Rules. Section 29 of the MS (ISPS) Rules makes it a mandatory obligation for any ship entering a port within the jurisdiction of India to provide security information ninety-six hours prior to its arrival.

6. The reporting requirement of PANS apply to the following vessels on international voyages entering Indian waters, vessels trading in coastal waters or coasting between Indian Ports:

- a. Passenger ships, including high-speed passenger crafts;
- b. Cargo ships, including high-speed craft of 500 GT and above;
- c. Mobile offshore drilling units; and
- d. Yachts
- e. Sailing Vessel

7. The Vessels as specified under para 5 or their Ship Master / Ship Owners / Managers / Operators / Ship Agents are required to submit the information contained as per **Annexure - I** (for passenger ships, cargo ships & mobile offshore drilling units) and **Annexure - II** (for yachts) with immediate effect to the relevant regional authorities specified in Table 1 as well as Port Facility Security Officer of the ships port of call.

Table 1: List of Authorities to be notified

Agency	Telephone Number	Fax	Email
<u>Indian Navy</u>			
For Ports in Gujarat, Daman & Diu, Maharashtra, Goa & Karnataka			
Joint Operations Centre, Mumbai	+91 22 2275 1022 +91 22 2275 1026 +91 22 2275 1078	+91 22 2266 3583	wncmocmb@navy.gov.in
For Ports in West Bengal, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry			
Joint Operations Centre, Visakhapatnam	+91 891 270 3432	+91 891 251 2161	encjocv@navy.gov.in
For Ports in Kerala, Lakshadweep (L&M) Island			
Joint Operations Centre, Kochi	+91 484 287 2353	+91 484 266 8889	sncocjoc@navy.gov.in
For Ports in Andaman & Nicobar Island			
Joint Operations Centre, Port Blair	+91 3192 240 189 +91 3192 242 833	+91 3192 240 189 +91 3192 242 833	joccs.anc@navy.gov.in
<u>Indian Coast Guard</u>			
For Ports in the West Coast of India			

MRCC, Mumbai	+91 22 2438 8065 +91 22 2430 1455	+91 22 2431 6558	mrcc-west@indiancoastguard.nic.in
For Ports in the East Coast of India			
MRCC, Chennai	+91 44 2539 5018	+91 44 2346 0405	isareast@datazone.in icgmrcc_chennai@datazone.in mrcc-east@indiancoastguard.nic.in mrccchennai@gmail.com
For Ports in the Andaman & Nicobar Island			
MRCC, Blair	Port +91 3192 245530 +91 3192 246081	+91 3192 242948	mrcc-ptb@indiancoastguard.nic.in

8. **General Requirements for submission of PANS:**

- a. The **PANS should be submitted** to the concerned port and the relevant regional authority specified under Table 1 at least **96 hours prior to the arrival of the vessel** at any Port in India.
- b. If the **voyage of the vessel is shorter than 96 hours**, the **PANS may be submitted within 2 hours of departure from the last port.**
- c. Information regarding **armed guards** onboard the vessel when calling Indian Ports or transiting through the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) is also required to be forwarded to the Indian Navy, Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), Mumbai and the local Customs Authority (through the vessel's agent at the concerned port).
- d. All Indian Ports are advised to take appropriate measures to ensure that only ships in possession of the relevant ISPS documentation as applicable are permitted to enter the port facility.
- e. Vessels without appropriate documentation would be permitted to berth only under special circumstances, with prior approval of the Port Facility Security Officer (PFSO). However, such cases should be immediately brought to the notice of the nearest Mercantile Marine Department and the Directorate General of Shipping by the PFSO explaining the circumstances under which the vessel was permitted to enter the port facility limits without PANS reporting.

9. The online reporting of PANS in the NLP Sagar Sethu Portal is under development. Once the PANS is fully developed and implemented online, it needs to be submitted online. A notice for the implementation of online PANS will be issued by the Directorate subsequently.

1 0 . **This MS Notice supersede all previous circulars** on PANS, including but not

limited to NT/ISPS/13/2005 dated 21 November 2005; NT/ISPS/SHIP/02/2009 dated 02 February 2009; NT/ISPS/SHIP/02/2011 dated 15 November 2011; NT/ISPS/CIRCULAR No. 01/2011 dated 28 September 2011; NT/ISPS/CIRCULAR No. 01/2020 dated 05 February 2020 issued providing “Guidelines to vessels for entry into Indian Port Facilities - ISPS Compliance related issues”.

11. This MS Notice is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping and shall come into force with immediate effect.

Annexure - I

Pre-Arrival Notification of Security (PANS) for:

- a. Passenger ships including high speed passenger craft
- b. Cargo ships, including high-speed craft, of 500 GRT and upwards, and
- c. Mobile offshore drilling units.
- d. Yachts
- e. Sailing Vessel

This form is to be submitted to the port authorities at least 96 hours prior to the arrival of the vessel.

1. Particulars of the ship and contact details		
1.1 IMO Number :	1.2 Name of the ship :	
1.3 Port of registry :	1.4 Flag state :	1.5 Type of ship :
1.6 Call sign :	1.7 Inmarsat call Number :	1.8 Gross tonnage :
1.9 Name of company:		
1.10 Name and 24 hour contact details of Company Security Officer		
Name:		Tel No.
2. Port and port facility information		

2.1 Port of arrival and port facility where the ship is to berth, if known
2.2 Expected date and time of arrival of the ship in port (paragraph B/4.39.3 of ISPS Code) :
2.3 Primary purpose of call Cargo operation / Taking Bunkers / Taking Supplies / Repair / Changing Crew / Passengers (Embarking / disembarking) / Others (Delete as appropriate) If others, please specify purpose :

3. Information required by SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1	
3.1 The ship is provided (SOLAS REGULATION 9.2.1.1) with a valid	
International Ship Security Certificate NO	YES
Interim International Ship Security Certificate NO	YES
3.1.1 Certificate Indicated in 3.1 has been issued by :	
Name of issuing authority :	
Date of expiry :	
3.1.2 If the ship is not provided with a valid International Ship Security Certificate or valid Interim International Ship Security Certificate, Explain why? -	
3.1.2.1 Does the ship have an approved ship security plan on board?	
YES	NO

3.2 Current security level (SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1.2) :

3.2.1 Location of ship at the report is made (paragraph B/4.39.2 of ISPS code) :

Latitude : Longitude : or Port :

3.3 List the last 10 calls in chronological order with most recent call first, at port facilities at which the ship conducted ship/port interface together with the security level at which the ship operated (SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1.3) :

No.	Date		Port, Country, Port Facility and UNLOCODE	Security Level
	From	To		
1				
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3.3.1 Did the ship, during the period specified in 3.3, take any special or additional security measures, beyond those specified in the approved ship security plan?

YES NO

3.3.2 If your answer to 3.3.1 is YES, for each of such occasions please indicated the special or additional security measures which were taken by ship (SOLAS XI-2/9.2.1.4) :

No.	Date		Port, Country, Port Facility and UNLOCODE	Special or additional measure
	From	To		
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3.4 List the ship to ship activities in chronological order with the most recent ship-to-ship activity first, which have been carried out during the period specified in 3.3 :

No.	Date		Port, Country, Port Facility and UNLOCODE	Ship-to-ship Activity
	From	To		

3.4.1 Have the ship security procedures, specified in the approved ship security plan, been maintained during each of the ship-to-ship activities specified in 3.4 (SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1.5)?

YES NO

3.4.2 If the answer to 3.4.1 is NO, Identify the ship to ship activities for which the ship security procedures were not maintained and indicate, for each, the security measures which were applied in lieu

No.	Date		Port, Country, Port Facility and UNLOCODE	Special or additional measure
	From	To		

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3.5 Provide a general description of cargo aboard the ship (SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1.6 and paragraph B/4.39.5 of ISPS Code):

3.5.1 Is the ship carrying any dangerous substances as cargo?

YES NO

2.5.2 If the answer to 3.5.1 is YES, provide details or attach a copy of the Dangerous Goods Manifest (IMO FAL FORM 7)

3.6 A copy of the ship's Crew List (IMO Form 5 is attached)
(SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1.6 and paragraph B/4.39.4 of ISPS Code)

3.7 A copy of the ship's Passenger List (IMO FAL Form 6 is attached)
(SOLAS regulation XI-2/9.2.1.6 and paragraph B/4.39.4 of ISPS Code)

4. Other security related information	
4.1 Is there any security related matter you wish to report? YES NO	
4.1.1 If the answer to 4.1 is YES, provide details:	
5. Agent of ship at the intended port of arrival	
5.1 Name and 24-hour contact, details of agent in intended port of call.	
Name :	
Tel No: Fax No:	
6. Identification of the person providing the information	
6.1 Name : <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
6.2 Title or position :	

6.3 Signature:	
This report is dated at (Place) :	
On (Date and time) :	

Annexure – II

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Pre-Arrival Notification of Security (PANS) for yachts and Sailing Vessel:
This form is to be submitted to the submitted at least 96 hours prior to the arrival of the vessel.

1. Particulars of the yacht/Sailing vessel and contact details	
	1.1 Name of the Yacht/Sailing Vessel

1.2 Port of registry:	1.3 Flag State:		
1.4 Call Sign	1.5 MMSI No.	1.6 Gross Tonnage	
1.7 Name of Owner:			
1.10 24 X 7 hour contact details of owner			
NAME.....		Tel. No.....	
2. Port and Port Facility Information			
2.1 Port of arrival and port facility where the ship is to berth, if known			
2.2 Expected date and time of arrival of the ship in port			
2.3 Primary purpose of call:			
Please specify purpose:.....			
3.2.1 Location of ship at the time report is made			
Latitude.....Longitude:.....or port.....			
3.3. List the last 5 calls in chronological order with the most recent call first, at port facilities at which the ship conducted ship/port interface together with the security level at which the ship operated			
No.	DATE	Port Country	Security Level
	FROM TO		
1			
2			
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4			
5			
3.6	A copy of the yacht's/Sailing Vessel Crew & Passenger List		
4	Other Security related information		
4.1	Is there any security related matter you wish to report? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
4.1.1	If the answer to 4.1 is Yes, provided details		

