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Editorial.....

Seafarers are known in the world by their hardships in the voyages in seas & oceans and making sacrifices while leaving their families ashore for long periods. Their contribution is unique for the national and global economic growth. The DGS is always of the view that a system or mechanism should be in place to respond promptly when seafarers are in need of help. On receiving some reports of problems being faced by seafarers, the DGS has, forthwith, formulated a fresh SOP in respect of missing and stranded seafarers' non-payment of wages, lack of provisions on board ship of seafarers.

Continuing with the simplification of issuance of CDC, it has further been clarified that under the new CDC Rules, the restricted Indian CDC holders working on cruise vessels are also eligible for fresh CDC. Clarification has also been given that Dredge CoC holders can work on RSV and Indian Coastal vessels. Seafarers such as pump-men have been allowed to handle cargo etc. on completion of basic training.

The e-newsletter is a link providing useful and timely information maritime activities and regulations. We welcome your valuable feedback in improving the quality of our services.

- G. L. Singh

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Director General of Shipping & Secretary to the Government of India Speaks...



With the increasing globalization, maritime transportation has assumed greater significance, transporting 90% of global trade. Globally, Transportation sector is one of the highest consumers of fossil fuels, and thus, a contributor to global warming and green house effect. With the opening up of the Arctic route, shipping activity is likely to increase in the coming years leading to increased pressure on conventional as well as non-renewable energy resources. With a view to reducing dependence on fossil fuel and improving energy efficiency in new ships, the Director General of Shipping [DGS] has formed a committee to carry out feasibility study on use of renewable energy and clean energy for fishing boats, fishing trawlers, inland vessels, coastal vessels and small passenger vessels, and to carry out a comparative study of retrofitting existing ships for eco-friendly fuels (LNG, Methanol, Solar / Renewable).

Surge in maritime trade and commerce has brought into focus the importance of creating a strong resource centre for the sector. Our quest for such an institution has been successful. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the DGS and the Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai, for establishment of a Centre for Maritime Law & Research, in Mumbai.

Indian seafarers by virtue of their rigorous training not only have high competency levels but also command better remuneration compared to their South East Asian peers. The DGS, in its endeavor to maintain high standards of maritime education and training, has initiated reforms over the past couple of years, the latest being the new guidelines for approval of Maritime Training Institutes.

The DGS also took a unique initiative of organizing basic training course for 254 boys of Lakshadweep and Minicoy islands. This was highly appreciated by the islanders.

The 'Day of the Seafarer' was celebrated on 25th June 2018. The program inter-alia included discussion on the theme "Seafarers' well being", importance of health insurance and stress management, a vibrant cultural show and prize distribution. A unique feature this year was the felicitation of children of seafarers who achieved recognition in sports and studies. It was a joyous moment for the children and their parents.

Dr. Malini V. Shankar, IAS

Director General of Shipping & Secretary to the Gol.



The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the up-gradation of Dr Malini V. Shankar, IAS to the rank of the **Secretary to the Government of India**, vide ACC, DOPT Order No. 35/01/2018-EO[SM-I] dated 25.05.2018.

Before this, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet had already approved the empanelment of Dr Malini V. Shankar, IAS, (MH: 1984) for appointment to the post of Secretary/ Secretary equivalent at the Centre.

The editorial team extends its greetings and congratulations to Dr Malini V. Shankar, IAS, on her promotion to the post of Secretary to the Government of India, on behalf of the Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India and the entire shipping fraternity.

FEEDBACK FROM SEAFARER/ STAKEHOLDER



Ticket # 625412 - 04/11/2018, 4:46 pm | Amit Kumar

Declaration of Results – Engineering- I found this service very effective and helpful.

Ticket # 188267 - 04/28/2018, 12:34 pm | Kishan Chauhan

Correction in the INDOS data SUPER GOOD.

HON'BLE UNION MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT, HIGHWAYS, SHIPPING, CHEMICAL & FERTILIZERS, GOI VISITED DGS, MUMBAI



The Hon'ble Minister of State for Road Transport, Highways, Shipping, Chemicals and Fertilizer Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya, visited the office of DGS on 22.06.18. Dr. Malini V. Shankar, IAS, DG Shipping & Secretary to the GoI and Shri Amitabh Kumar, IRS, Addl. DG Shipping welcomed him. The meeting

was attended by officers of the DG Shipping. The Hon'ble Minister held a meeting with the officers of DG Shipping.

The DGS apprised the Hon'ble Minister of recent development work undertaken by the Directorate.



Presentations were made on key issues pertaining to maritime training and certification, legislative reforms and new e-gov. system.

Shri Amitabh Kumar, Addl. DG Shipping briefed regarding global growth in the shipping sector, ships under construction and its impact on the demand for Indian seafarers. It was informed that in 2017, a total of 1,54,349 Indian seafarers were employed on foreign and Indian flag vessels.

The Hon'ble Minister was also briefed about

Merchant Shipping Bill, 2016, Admiralty Act, 2017, Multi Modal Transportation of Goods Bill 2017, Ship Recycling Bill, agreement with UAE and South Korea for recognition of seafarers' documents and agreement with UAE and Cyprus on co-operation in maritime transportation and the steps taken for simplification of CDC alongwith implementation of new CDC rules.

The DGS informed that a training camp was organized in Lakshadweep for issuance of CDC for the residents.

The Hon'ble Minister appreciated the efforts of DG Shipping in introducing new regulations, systems etc. for shipping sector. He suggested a meeting be held of ship builders with Rajkot Engineering Association and Jamnagar Bronze Industry for manufacture of equipment in India as also ships breaking facility for chemical tanker in India.



ENGINEERING

DGS CONSIDERS ALTERNATIVE TO REFRESHER AND UPDATING COURSE FOR UPGRADING COC OF MARINE ENGINEER OFFICER

The Directorate, vide DGS Engineering Circular No.144 dated 26.04.18, has granted permission for the engineer officers to undergo the preparatory course of the same grade as the CoC held or one grade higher in lieu of 11 day Refresher and Updating Training Course for up gradation to STCW, 2010 compliant CoCs.

RECOGNITION OF DREDGE COC FOR DREDGERS UNDER RIVER SEA VESSEL AND INDIAN COASTAL VESSEL

The Directorate has issued Engineering Circular No. 02 of 2018 dated 12.6.18 clarifying the inclusion of holders of Dredge Grade CoC for Manning of Dredgers operating under RSV and CV.

The owners/ managers/ operators of Dredgers operating under RSV/ CV certification have been advised to approach the Registrar of the vessel for issuance of revised Minimum Manning Document.

SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONNEL ON TANKERS

The Director General of Shipping has considered special training requirement for personnel on tankers vide Engineering Circular No. 1 of 2018 dated 22.06.2018. DGS has, now, allowed seafarers such as pump-men with immediate responsibility of loading, discharging, care in transit, handling of cargo, tank cleaning or other cargo related operations on relevant (oil/ chemical/ liquefied gas) tankers to be enrolled at DGS approved Maritime Training Institutes and issued with certificate after satisfactory completion of the required training.

NAUTICAL

DESIGNATED VESSELS PROHIBITED FROM PORT ENTRY

The Directorate has issued advisory vide NT wing Misc. Circular No. NT/MISC/01 of 2018 dated 03.04.18 indicating list of designated vessels prohibited from Port Entry along with the date of designation in pursuance of para 6 of UNSC Resolution 2371 (of 2017) and para 6 of UNSC Resolution 2375 (of 2017) is available at the following link: 'https://www.un.org/sc/suborg/sites/www.un.org.sc.suborg/files/vessel_list_para_6_2375.pdf'.

DISPENSATION FROM MANNING VESSELS WITH MATE (NCV) CoC CERTIFICATE HOLDER OPERATING IN ANDAMAN & NICOBAR REGION

The Directorate has accorded partial relaxation in manning requirements of vessels operating in Andaman & Nicobar region for a period of 6 months from 24.04.18 to 23.10.18. This will be subject to conditions as laid down in NT SAFMAN Circular No. 01 of 2018 dated 24.04.18.

TRAINING

ONLINE TRAINING MODULES

- [1] The Online training modules, as indicated below, were inaugurated by Shri Gopal Krishna, IAS, Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Shipping during the main function of NMDCC held on 05.04.18 :
1. In principle approval of Maritime Training Institute [MTI],
 2. Approval of maritime courses,
 3. Comprehensive Inspection Program (CIP) inspection reporting by RO/ MMD,
 4. MMD inspection report,
 5. Medical examiner registration and reporting of fitness of seafarers,
 6. MTI profile,
 7. MTI Performance index and
 8. Seafareres profile correction.
- [2] The faculty update utility is now made online and the procedures in this respect have been laid down in DGS Training Circular No. 11 of 2018 dated 16.04.18.

STEP TAKEN TO INCREASE FACULTY IN MTI

The Directorate General of Shipping has issued Training Circular No. 12 of 2018 dated 25.04.18 which relaxed the norms for faculty teaching in DGS approved Maritime Training Institutes. Previously only Indian CoC holders or CoC endorsed by Indian Maritime Administration could be a faculty. Now alongwith Indian CoCs holders any other CoCs recognized by the Government of India can be employed as faculty in DGS approved Maritime Training Institutes.

MTI NO. REPLACES INDOS NO. OF THE MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTE

The DGS has taken a decision, vide Training Circular No. 14 of 2018 dated 07.05.18 to issue a unique identification number to the Maritime Training Institutes called as "MTI No." in place of INDoS No.

REQUIREMENT OF LAND/ PREMISES FOR MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTES

The Directorate has received many queries pertaining to the land and premises requirements for Maritime Training Institute. In order to bring more clarity on the issue, the Directorate has issued Training Circular No.15 of 2018 dated 08.05.18.

DGS ISSUES GUIDELINES FOR THE APPROVAL OF MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTE

On receipt of a number of queries from parties desiring to open a Maritime Training Institute (MTI) regarding the procedure for approval of an institute for conducting maritime courses, the DGS has issued comprehensive guidelines for approval of the Maritime Training Institute vide Training Circular No. 17 of 2018 dated 17.05.18.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES OF MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTES ARE NOW REGISTERED ONLINE

Consequent upon implementation of online training modules for registering the MTI profile along with the details and scanned copy of signature of the authorized signatory, the MTIs are no longer required to submit the details of the authorized signatories to MMDs.

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL OF COURSES NOT CONDUCTED IN THE LAST ONE YEAR

The DGS has observed that training institutes are not conducting certain approved courses for more than a year. The list of such training institutes and the list of courses have been identified vide letter No. TR/Pol/8(6)/2018 dated 18.06.18. As per Section 5.1 of DGS Order No. 5 of 2016 dated 1.11.16, the DGS has notified the concerned training institutes that the courses mentioned against each of the training institutes stand automatically withdrawn with immediate effect. If any institute desires to conduct any of the DGS approved course, it may apply afresh.

SHIPPING DEVELOPMENT

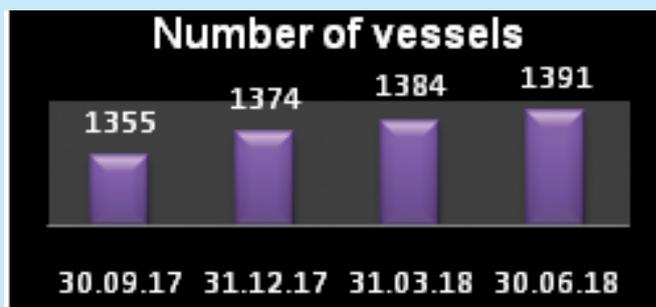
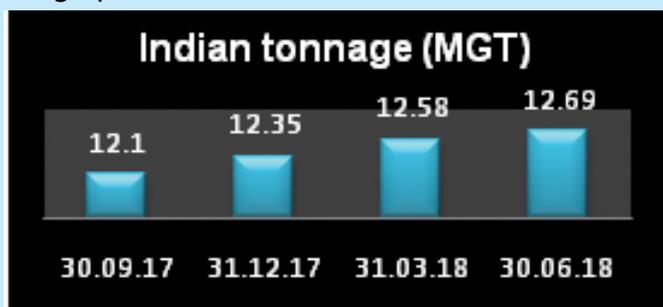
DGS ISSUES CLARIFICATION ABOUT CONVERSION CHARGES

The DGS has issued SD Circular No. 02 of 2018 dated 18.04.18 clarifying that the Charter hire/ freight demurrage and all reimbursements/ amounts, as payable to Indian owners, will be paid in Indian rupees based on mean of TT buying & selling exchange rate of INR vis-à-vis USD, as declared by SBI (CAG branch), Mumbai, as on due date of payment. If this date is a bank holiday, the previous working day on which such exchange rate is available, will be used for conversion.



INDIAN SHIPPING TONNAGE

The Indian Ships including Indian Controlled Ships and the tonnage position in million GT are given in the graphs hereunder:



The Increasing trend has been maintained.

SMC/ DOC/ DDOC/ PSC/ FSI AT A GLANCE

The details of SMC/ DOC/ DDOC/ PSC/ FSI conducted during the quarter at glance are as under:

SMC/ DOC/ DDOC:

SUBJECT	APRIL, 2018	MAY, 2018	JUNE, 2018	TOTAL
SMC	19	22	13	54
DOC	06	06	06	18
DDOC	02	-	-	02

PSC/FSI Carried Out:

SUBJECT	APRIL, 2018	MAY, 2018	JUNE, 2018	TOTAL
PSC	38	49	31	118
FSI	40	35	28	103

CREW

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE [SOP] FOR ISSUES OF MISSING/ STRANDED SEAFARERS, THEIR NON-PAYMENT OF WAGES AND NON AVAILABILITY OF PROVISIONS ON BOARD SHIP

The DGS has put in place an SOP vide letter No. 33(1)CR-2000-IXPt-I dated 07.05.18 in respect of missing and stranded seafarers, non-payment of wages and lack of provisions on board ship. The following will be reported to DGCOM Center:

1. Seafarers recruited by Indian Ship-Owner/ DGS registered RPS on Indian flag ships;
2. Seafarers recruited by DGS registered RPS on foreign flag vessels;
3. Seafarers recruited by unknown/ unrecognized agent or directly by foreign ship-owners on foreign flag vessels.

The SOP delineates clear roles and responsibilities of DGCOM Center, Ship owner/ RPSL holders, Crew branch, Shipping Master/ DSEO, MMD, etc.

RESTRICTED INDIAN CDC HOLDERS TO WORK ONLY ON CRUISE VESSELS ALSO ELIGIBLE FOR FRESH CDC UNDER NEW CDC RULES, 2017

The DGS has facilitated seafarers holding restricted CDC issued under M. S. (CDC) Rules 2001 to work only on cruise vessels by allowing them to surrender the said CDC and obtain fresh CDC which has no restriction under Merchant Shipping (CDC) Rules, 2017 vide DGS Order No. 06 of 2018 dated 21.05.18.

ADVISORY FOR RPSL

Based upon the inputs received from Ministry of External Affairs regarding detention / arrest by the Iranian authorities of Indian seafarers engaged in the illegal activities, the Directorate General of Shipping, vide letter No. CR/GRW/12/2015-I dated 26.06.18, has advised all the Recruitment and Placement Service License holders not to process cases of employment /engagement of Indian emigrants / workers on fishing vessels / trawlers moving towards Iran from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates.

COASTAL

DGS EXTENDS TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO MARITIME STATES/ UTS FOR SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION OF FISHING BOATS

The Director General of Shipping, vide Coastal Shipping Circular No. CS/SV(1)(6)/2017 Dated 30.05.18, has directed all MMDs to provide necessary technical support if requested by them to the registrars of fishing boats of all Maritime States/ UTs for survey and certification work related to registration of deep sea fishing boats with overall length of 24 mtrs and above. This shall come into force with immediate effect.

PERSONNEL

(1) IMO PARTICIPATION

During the last quarter, the following officers have attended the sessions/ meetings at IMO, London and other organizations at abroad:

1. 3rd meeting of the Intersessional of the Intersessional working group on Reduction of GHG Emission held at IMO - London scheduled from 3.4.18 to 6.4.18 was attended by Shri A. B. Dutta, E&SS, DGS.
2. 72nd session of the MEPC held at IMO London from 12.04.2018 to 13.04.2018 was attended by Shri S. Kamath, E&SS, DGS.
3. Visit UK to discuss International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code from 16.04.2018 to 20.04.2018. attended by Capt. Santosh Darokar, NS, DGS.
4. Shared Awareness 42nd (SHADE) meeting from 17.04.2018 to 18.04.2018 at Manama, Bahrain was attended by Capt. R. Poswal, NS, MMD, Noida.
5. Meeting on Maritime Information Exchange Vessel Operator's (IMEVOM) held at Dubai on 22.4.2018 was attended by Shri Sandeep Awasthi, Assistant Director General of Shipping.
6. 105th Session of Legal Committee held at IMO- London from 23.4.18 to 27.4.18 was attended by S/Shri Amitabh Kumar, Addl. DG(S) & Shri Ash Mohomad, DDG. Capt. Daniel Josseph, NS, DGS attended from 26.4.18 to 27.04.18.
7. Third Meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 held at Geneva during 23-27 April, 2018 was attended by Shri Subhash Barguzer, Deputy Director General of Shipping.
8. Conference on Green Shipping Brue Business, Moving forward Europe together with Asia meeting framework held at Singapore was attended by Dr. Malini V. Shankar, IAS, DGS & Secretary to the Govt. of India during 26-27 April 2018.

9. CGPCS Preparatory meeting for the Working Group on Operations at Sea held at Mauritius on 30.4.2018 was attended by Capt. Anish Joseph, Nautical Surveyor.
10. IOPC fund meeting for first three days from 30.4.18 to 2.5.18 held at IMO London was attended by Capt. K. P. Jayakumar, Dy. NA, DGS.
11. Joint Audit Body of the Executive Committee of the IOPC fund from 3.5.18 to 4.5.18 was attended by Shri Vatsalya Saxena, DDG, DGS.
12. 41st Session of International Mobile Satellite Organization (IMSO) Advisory Committee at IMO- London from 10.5.18 to 11.5.18 was attended by Capt. Daniel Joseph, NS, DGS.
13. Maritime Safety Committee 99th Session (MSC-99) held at IMO, London on 16-25 May 2018 was attended by Shri Suresh Kumar R. M., Chief Ship Surveyor.
14. United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [UNODC] Maritime Law Expert Conference held at Colombo, Sri Lanka on 18-20 June 2018 was attended by Shri Ash Mohomad, Deputy Director General of Shipping.

(2) FOLLOWING PENSION CASES HAVE BEEN PREPARED AND SENT TO PAO(S) MUMBAI

1. Smt. Vimla P. Ahuja, UDC, L.B.S. Mumbai.
2. Shri R. H. Phadke, Ex-Sukhani, T.S. Chanakya, IMU-N. Mumbai.
3. Shri S. H. Yatam, Second Cook, T.S. Chanakya, IMU-N. Mumbai.
4. Shri V. D. Kashid, Chowkidar, (MTS), L.B.S. Mumbai.
5. Shri Chander Abhiman Shingare, Safaiwala(MTS), L.B.S. Mumbai.
6. Late V. A. Thorat, Ex-L.D.C., L.B.S. Mumbai.
7. Shri Abhay Sarpotdar, Jr. Hyrdographic Surveyor, MPSO, Mumbai.
8. Smt. M. K. Somaiya, UDC, DGS, Mumbai.
9. Shri L.B. Kadam, MTS, DGS, Mumbai.

(3) NEW APPOINTMENT

70 New Lower Division Clerks have been recruited and offer of appointment have been issued to them for posting in the Directorate and its allied offices. Out of this, 13 Lower Division Clerks have joined this Directorate.

CAPT K.P. JAYAKUMAR, PRINCIPAL OFFICER, DG SHIPPING



Capt. K.P Jayakumar, Dy. Nautical Advisor - cum - Sr. DDG (Tech) has been promoted to the post of Principal Officer (Nautical)-cum-Joint Director General of Shipping (Technical), w.e.f. 27.06.18 in pursuance of the Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India's letter File No. A-32012/4/2016 - MA, dated 27.06.18, and DGS order No. 33/2018 dated 27.06.18.

Capt Jayakumar holds degree of M.Sc. from WMU, Malmo, B. SC., LLB, FNMIS, and is a Master Mariner. Capt Jayakumar is also functioning as Member Secretary, National Shipping Board, Ministry of Shipping, Mumbai. In addition, he is the Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee of International Oil Pollution Compensation (IOPC) Funds on behalf of India.

The editorial team extends its greetings and congratulations to Capt K. P. Jayakumar, Principal Officer.

DR. PANDURANG KONDIRAM RAUT, IRS (C & CE: 2006) APPOINTED AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF SHIPPING



Dr. Pandurang Kondiram Raut, IRS (C & CE : 2006) has taken charge as Deputy Director General of Shipping in the Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai w.e.f. 19.06.2018. Dr. Raut, who was recommended for Central deputation by the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance was selected for appointment as Deputy Director General of Shipping (Legal & Finance) under the Central Staffing Scheme vide DOPTOM No. 1/1/2018-EO(MM-I) dated 03.04.2018. Dr Raut, IRS holds degree of MBBS, MA (Economics) and LLB.

Before taking charge of the Deputy Director General of Shipping, Dr. Raut was holding the post of Joint Commissioner of GST, Central Excise, Nashik. His previous postings include Assistant/ Dy. Commissioner in Customs, Central Excise Service Tax in Mumbai and Dy. Director, Directorate General of Central Excise Intelligence, Mumbai.

The editorial team welcomes Dr Raut, Deputy Director General of Shipping.

NEW INITIATIVES

MARITIME INITIATIVE AT LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS (MILI)



Dr Malini V. Shankar, IAS, was the Chief Guest for the inaugural function held on 09.04.2018. Dignitaries who attended the function included Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Mr. Mohammed Faizal, the

The Directorate General of Shipping [DGS], in its endeavor to promote maritime education and training and as a part of its commitment to the development of Lakshadweep Island, has successfully conducted five basic STCW modular courses and Passenger Ship Familiarization course at Minicoy islands for the natives of Lakshadweep and Minicoy islands on 09.04.18.

The DG Shipping and Secretary to the Govt. of India,



Managing Director - Lakshadweep Development Corporation Ltd., the Director-Department of Sports, Port and Shipping, the Deputy Collector-Minicoy. Under the guidance of the DG Shipping, training was imparted by Master Mariners and Chief

Engineers. Many of the faculty volunteered their services. The DG Shipping, as a welfare measure



for the people of the remote islands, waived the fees towards INDoS, CDC and training course. The training was conducted with the assistance of the Lakshadweep Administration. The Lakshadweep

Administration & LDCL contributed by providing infrastructure for classrooms, practical training equipment, ship visit for candidates, boarding and lodging for the faculty etc. The formal training program was followed by a Cultural program reflecting the views, values, humor, hopes and loyalties of the locals.



The DG Shipping appreciated the delightful and attractive cultural program and the hospitality of the islanders.



A total of 100 candidates were imparted training at Minicoy. The Directorate conducted training for an additional batch of 154 candidates at Kavaratti from 30.04.18 to 14.05.18.

Hitherto, the procedure for seeking CDC was rigorous and required the candidates to pursue long term courses. In January 2018, the DGS simplified the procedures such that the CDC is issued on satisfactory completion of five basic STCW

courses - Personal Survival Techniques (PST), Fire Prevention & Fire Fighting (FPFF), Elementary First Aid (EFA), Personal Safety and Social Responsibility (PSSR), and Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties (STSDSD). The youth of the islands had to travel to Tamilnadu, Kerala or Maharashtra for pursuing Maritime Courses. They had to pay the high fees of the course and also bear the travelling, lodging and boarding expenses. Considering the difficulties faced by the islanders, the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) desired to facilitate issuance of CDC to the eligible candidates of the Lakshadweep aspiring to be seafarers. The inhabitants of Minicoy, one of the Lakshadweep Islands, are natural seafarers and the initiative of the Directorate brings relief to the islanders. It will inspire the new generation to opt for maritime as a career and help the islanders to restore its historical status as a major provider of seafarers.



FEEDBACK FROM SEAFARER/ STAKEHOLDER



Ticket # 241458; 05/01/2018; 10:24 | GODSON PEREIRA DAYNESIOUS

Declaration of Results – Nautical - VERY FAST PROCESS

Ticket # 235562; 04/17/2018; 11:22 am | INDRESH BHATIA

STCW examination and Certification (CoC CoE) - Excellent Facility

POLICY MATTERS

RELAXATION FOR COASTAL MOVEMENT OF EXIM TRANSHIPMENT CONTAINERS AND EMPTY CONTAINERS

The Central Government, taking cognizance of the movement of cargo by containers in a dynamic international business situation, considered it necessary to put in place effective policy measures to reduce/ eliminate transshipment of Indian EXIM containers through foreign ports and reduce the cost of repositioning of the empty containers. Consequently, the Government, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it under sub-section (3) of Section 407 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, has issued General Order No. 01 of 2018 on 22.05.18 specifying that no licence from the DGS will be required for the following category of ships, which may be engaged for the coasting trade of India:



- a. Foreign flag ships engaged, in full or in part, for transportation of EXIM laden containers for transshipment; and
- b. Foreign flag ships engaged, in full or in part, for transportation of empty containers.

This relaxation for ships shall be subject to the terms & conditions as laid down in the said Order.

FOREIGN FLAG VESSEL EXEMPTED FROM OBTAINING LICENCE FROM DGS FOR COASTAL MOVEMENT OF AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE, FISHERIES AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY COMMODITIES



The Ministry of Shipping, Gol vide its General Order No. 02 of 2018 dated 22.05.18, has granted the relaxation under section 407 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, for coastal movement of agriculture, horticulture, fisheries and animal husbandry commodities. By this relaxation the commodities as specified in the Order can be transported along the coast of India on a foreign flag vessel without license from DG Shipping, Gol provided that such commodities contribute to 50% of the total cargo onboard the ship.

FEEDBACK FROM SEAFARER/ STAKEHOLDER



Ticket # 981551 05/22/2018; 12:52 pm | Satish Kamal Sambangi

Online Booking for Examination - Very Good, Satisfactory

DGS MOVES TO ESTABLISH CENTRE FOR MARITIME LAW & RESEARCH

A Memorandum of Understanding [MoU], was signed between the Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India and the Maharashtra National Law University [MNLU], Mumbai, on 29.06.18, for establishment of a Centre for Maritime Law & Research (A Centre of Excellence in Maritime Legal Study), at the said National Law University, in Mumbai.

The Centre of Excellence will be a resource base to create a team of legal experts who are not only well versed with maritime laws, but also understand the vast expanse of maritime domain, its dynamics, inter-relationships, and the intricacies of the entire maritime supply chain.



TRAINING / SYMPOSIUM

ISO 9001:2015 ISM TRAINING COURSE

The ISO-ISM Lead auditors training course was conducted for the newly inducted officers of the DGS & its allied offices at IRS Head office, Mumbai from 11-16.06.18. A total of 19 technical officers attended the said training. The course was tailor-made for the surveyors to enable them to become ISM auditors. It was conducted by IRQS and IRS trainers.

The course focused on safety, pollution prevention and, where appropriate, service quality. The syllabus inter-alia included topics of ISO 9001:2015 and evolution of the ISM Code, safety management principles and how they apply to safe ship operation, types and methods of audits and planning and preparing for audits.



SYMPOSIUM ON RENEWABLE/ CLEAN ENERGY IN SHIPPING - VIABILITY

A symposium on use of renewable/ clean energy in shipping was held at the Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai on 18.06.18 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Malini V. Shankar, IAS, DG Shipping and Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Presentations were made by Mr. Sandith Thandasherry, CEO of M/s Navalt; Mr. H C Ray, CMET; Mr. Girish Kumar, Scientist E, Ministry of New & Renewal Energy and Mr. Amit Raghavan, Naval Architect, IRS.

Subsequent to the presentation, it was decided to form a committee to take necessary action regarding use of renewable/ clean energy in shipping with terms as :

1. To check if an incentive based scheme can be formed on the lines of existing Govt. scheme-KUSUM, which will encourage fishermen to use solar power on their boats.
2. To carry out feasibility study regarding use of renewable energy and clean energy for fishing boat.
3. To carry out feasibility study including life cycle cost analysis on use of renewable and clean energy on specific inland vessel, coastal vessel and passenger vessels. Analysis to include both new built and retrofitting on existing vessels.
4. To carry out comparative study of retrofitting of existing ship and new construction for uses of different type of eco friendly fuels [LNG, methanol, solar/ renewal] on different type of ships that is inland vessel, coastal vessel and F.G. Vessel.

FEEDBACK FROM SEAFARER/ STAKEHOLDER



Ticket # 291261; 06/15/2018, 11:52 am | Sivaganesh

Online booking for Examination –Very good support from office

TRANSITION TRAINING OF ISO 9001: 2015 – CONSTITUTIVE CHANGES

A 2-day transition training course from ISO 9001:2008 to ISO 9001:2015 was conducted by experienced trainers from Bureau of Indian Standard & the National Institute of Training for Standardization (NITS), NOIDA at Directorate. The first batch was conducted on 21st and 22nd June 2018 for 17 surveyors from DGS and allied offices and the second batch was conducted on 25th and 26th June 2018 for 18 surveyors.



'DAY OF THE SEAFARER' CELEBRATIONS'

The National Maritime Day Celebrations (Central) Committee organized the 'Day of the Seafarer' on 25th June, 2018 at Mumbai. The theme of the seafarers' day was "Seafarers' well being".



Dr. Malini V. Shankar, IAS, Director General of Shipping & Secretary to the Govt. of India, the Chairperson of the National Maritime Day Celebrations (Central) Committee, while speaking on 'Theme of the Seafarers' expressed her concern about the stress level of the seafarers and the need for managing the same. The Chairperson expressed that fatigue levels are increasing due to massive increase in documentation, family pressure etc. The DGS stated that this Directorate is exploring a facility to establishing a mechanism of legal help in coordination with Maharashtra National Law University to the seafarers in distress situations.

Dr. Harish Shetty, MD, Psychiatrist in his address gave valuable tips to seafarers and their families on 'managing mental health' such as 'smile as a sign of respect, relations with kids & their spouses etc'.

Shri Ravindra Kumar, IAS, Private Secretary to the Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Gol was the Chief Guest of the occasion. He opined that 'Yoga' could be taught to the seafarers by experts and this could be of help to them in overcoming depression. He also referred the importance of health insurance in the well being of the seafarers and their family members. He suggested that senior seafarers can engage in coaching/ guiding younger seafarers.

Smt. H.K. Joshi, Chairperson of the NMDC Organizing Committee and Director [Finance], SCI, gave the welcome



address. Mr. S. M. Rai, Treasurer of the NMDC (C) Committee during his vote of thanks mentioned that the DGS is revamping the entire set up at NMDC (C) Committee with the view to reach out to the general public. The seafarers, who were toppers in the competency examinations, were appreciated. The NMDC (C) Committee felicitated the children of the seafarers who excelled in academics, sports and gained recognition in their field at the State, National or International level.



The cultural event by seafarers was lauded by all the members of the shipping fraternity.



OTHER

FIRST-EVER CIRCUM-NAVIGATION BY A CREW OF INDIAN WOMEN: A PLEASANT AND PRIDE MOMENT FOR INDIA

In a historic feat, a team of six female naval officers that had taken off on an expedition from Goa on September 10, 2017 successfully circum-navigated the globe in eight months. The officers, who spent 254 days in all on the 28 feet craft INSV TARINI, were received by Hon'ble Union Defence Minister, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman on their arrival on 21.05.2018 near Panaji. Admiral Sunil Lamba, Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice Admiral Abhay Raghunath Karve, Flag Officer, Commanding-in-Chief of Southern Naval Command and other high dignitaries were present on the occasion. The officers were welcomed with heartwarming wishes. The expedition named "Navika Sagar Parikrama" is in consonance with Hon'ble Prime Minister's idea to empower women in every sphere of life.

This was the first Indian all-women crew to circum-navigate the globe and was led by Lt. Commander Vartika Joshi. The crew comprised Lieutenant P Swathi, Lieutenant Pratibha Jamwal, Lieutenant Vijaya Devi, Sub Lieutenant Payal Gupta and Lieutenant B Aishwarya. Marking the successful completion of the first ever circumnavigation by an all Indian women crew, the DG Shipping and Secretary to the Govt. of India, Dr. Malini V. Shankar, IAS, congratulated the team for their wonderful achievement.



The DG Shipping being the Indian Maritime Administrator, interacted individually with the crew members of INSV Tarini.

NOW, TRAVEL FROM MUMBAI TO GOA VIA SEA

Cruise Shipping is one of the most dynamic and fastest growing components of the leisure industry worldwide and there is tremendous potential in India for cruise tourism. In order to boost the cruise tourism, the Directorate General of Shipping has given its final nod to an Indian owned passenger ship 'ANGRIYA' to commence service between Mumbai and Goa.

This service is an additional mode of transport offering pleasure and a new experience for travelers. The passenger ship has 7 categories of accommodation onboard with a capacity of about 400 passengers.

The ship is expected to resume its operation after the monsoon season.



❖ डॉ. मालिनी वि. शंकर, भा.प्र.से. महानिदेशक एवं सचिव, भारत सरकार की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 22.05.2018 को आयोजित राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक में निदेशालय के सभी अनुभाग और अधीनस्थ कार्यालयों द्वारा तिमाही रिपोर्टों की समीक्षा की गई।

❖ बैठक में पॉवर प्वाइंट के माध्यम से विभिन्न विषयों पर प्रस्तुतीकरण किया गया। अध्यक्ष महोदया ने कहा कि यह बैठक हर समाप्त तिमाही के बाद अगले महीने में ही कर ली जानी चाहिए जिससे विचार किए गए बिन्दुओं पर कारवाई के लिए सभी अधिकारियों को समुचित समय मिल सके।

❖ इस तिमाही में सहायक निदेशक (रा.भा) द्वारा कार्मिक, प्रशासन एवं कू अनुभागों में अन्य तथ्यों के साथ-साथ धारा 3(3) के अंतर्गत जारी किए जाने वाले दस्तावेजों से संबंधित निरीक्षण किया गया।

❖ श्री बलदेव सिंह, भा.प्र.से. विकास आयुक्त, सीपज की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 28.06.2018 को आयोजित नगर राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक में भाग लिया गया।

❖ दिनांक 25.06.2018 को समुद्रकर्म दिवस मनाया गया। श्री रवीन्द्र कुमार, भा.प्र.से., पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग, मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, इस कार्यक्रम के मुख्य अतिथि थे। समारोह के अंतर्गत औपचारिक कार्यक्रम के पश्चात् सांस्कृतिक रंगारंग कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया। समूचे कार्यक्रम का हमेशा की तरह से हिंदी में संचालन किया गया। इसमें मास्टर ऑफ सेरेमनी के रूप में श्री विमलेन्द्र भदौरिया, सहायक निदेशक (रा.भा./प्रभारी) ने अपनी सफल भूमिका का निर्वाह किया।

❖ समुद्री वाणिज्य विभाग, मुंबई कार्यालय में आयोजित राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक में निदेशालय की ओर से सहायक निदेशक (रा.भा.) द्वारा भाग लिया गया। सहायक निदेशक (रा.भा.) द्वारा 1) धारा 3(3) के अंतर्गत द्विभाषी में जारी किए जाने वाले दस्तावेजों के बारे में अवगत कराया गया 2) यह भी बताया गया कि निदेशालय में 1 जुलाई, 2018 से 'पारंगत प्रशिक्षण' के पाठ्यक्रम का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। इस पाठ्यक्रम में हिंदी में कार्यसाधक ज्ञान रखने वाले कर्मिकों को नामित किया जाए।



FEEDBACK FROM SEAFARER/ STAKEHOLDER



Ticket # 625412; 04/11/2018; 4:46 pm | Amit Kumar

Declaration of Results – Engineering- I found this service very effective and helpful.

ACTIVITIES IN FIELD OFFICES: MERCANTILE MARITNE DEPARTMENT KOCHI

In line with the public outreach initiatives of the Director General of Shipping, Mercantile Marine Department, Kochi conducted a series of Tech-Talk on a variety of subjects, relevant to the Shipping and Seafarers. The Tech-Talk 1 was conducted on 23rd February 2018 and the Tech-Talk 2 was conducted on 19th May 2018 at the Merchant Navy Club, Kochi.

The guest speaker was Shri Ashok Chowghule, Joint Managing Director of Chowghule & company private Ltd. The topic of Tech Talk was "Coastal Shipping-an experience". The talk included felicitation of the recently

joined senior officers of the Regional Maritime fraternity and was followed by an interactive session, chaired by Shri Venkata Ramana Akkaraju, Dy. Chairman, Cochin Port Trust.



FEEDBACK FROM SEAFARER/ STAKEHOLDER



Ticket # 327219 05/15/2018 4:56 pm | Capt. Sanjay Kushwaha

This is to give our feedback regarding excellent support we have received from DGS in relation to granting of GMDSS exemption. Capt. Daniel and Mr. Shekhar supported us in every regard and gave a patient hearing to our genuine issue. Capt. Daniel went on to the extent of sending the exemption even when he was busy with a seminar, as we had requested his urgent help, since the vessel was about to sail out. We have noticed that now we are able to communicate with DGS on email and our emails are promptly responded to and all genuine concerns are taken care of. Prompt email correspondence has saved us from a lot of time and efforts we had to spend earlier, and numerous visits to DGS office. This is a welcome change and we are very satisfied.

Many Thanks.

MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT, TUTICORIN

The MMD Tuticorin conducted 02 inspection/ audit and issued 66 towing permissions/ seamen (sail) identity cards and Tindal permissions. 01 case of transfer ownership and 02 cases of closure of registry of MSV were effected. S/ Shri A. Subramanian, UDC and K. Ponnusamy, MTS were deputed for Hindi workshop at Heavy Water Plant Tuticorin on 26.06.18 and 27.06.18 in order to remove the hesitation to work in Official Language Hindi.

MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT, KOLKATA

The Mercantile Marine Department, Kolkata conducted about 82 inspections/ surveys. It further, conducted 06 Nautical examinations and 01 NWKO examination where 533 and 19 candidates respectively appeared. The number of GMDSS endorsement certificates issued during the quarter was 209. Similarly, in the Engineering Grade, 12 MEO & 06 NCV (oral) examinations were conducted wherein 1508 & 09 candidates respectively appeared. The office organized Official Language Implementation Committee meeting on 22.06.2018. Hindi workshop was organized on 15.05.2018 for the implementation of various requirements under the Official Language Policy of the Union.

MMD Kolkata operates single window system for public functioning. This has resulted in reducing the grievances. As a part of 'Swatchh Bharat Abhiyan', a cleanliness drive was conducted on 22.04.2018 at the Marine House Campus and on the bank of Hooghly River behind Marine House.

MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT, KANDLA

During the quarter ending June, 2018, the Mercantile Marine Department, Kandla conducted 64 inspections, surveys and other inspections. 203 candidates appeared for oral examinations whereas 117 candidates appeared for written examinations.

A Public outreach program was conducted in the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Railway Gandhidham on 20/04/2018 to promote Seafaring profession and to improve awareness about response to Marine pollution incidents.

MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT, CHENNAI

The MMD Chennai conducted about 82 inspections/ surveys. It inspected 10 and 13 ships under PSC and FSI respectively. 16 and 01 ships were surveyed for IMDG Cargo and Grain Loading respectively. 06 ISM Audit (DOC) were carried out. Further, 08 inspections were carried out for approval (Training). Engineering & Nautical examinations were conducted where 624 and 137 candidates respectively appeared. 103 and 55 CoCs were issued towards engine and nautical side respectively in addition to other endorsements.

During the quarter, the office organized Hindi workshop on 28.06.18. All officers/ staff were encouraged to use the Official Language Hindi in their day to day official work.

MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT, VISAKHAPATNAM

The MMD, Visakhapatnam carried out 71 survey/ inspections/ certification work. It conducted examination where 308 candidates appeared. The office Diesel Generator was got repaired with constant follow up actions with the CPWD (Elec). Similarly the office was able to clear all the surrounding bushes in the office premises and painted office building and attended to minor works. 100% cashless official transactions through digital mode were effected in compliance with Union Policy. The cheques/ DDs usage has been discontinued completely.



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