

## E XAMINATION CIRCULAR - EXM-02/03

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**Sub:Suspected Forged Certificates of Competency.**

To,

The Principal officer,  
Mercantile marine Department,  
Mumbai/Kolkata/Chennai

Sir,

I am directed to refer to subject mater and state that this Directorate has inrecent past observed an increase in reported cases of Forged/fraudulently obtained certificates of competency. Subject matter is being taken up at appropriate levels for corrective/punitive measures. However, in the meantime it is requested that Indian Shipping Companies, when employing a new officer, must ensure that Certificateof Competency held by the said officer is genuine and lawfully possessed by him. Other employers (FOSMA and MASSA members lines) may also take note of this information in order to avoid embracement and inconvenience when such cases are reported by foreign Adminitrations.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Capt. S.K.Shukla)  
Nautical Surveyor

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