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M.S. Notice No. 10 of 2014

Sub: - Replacement of the Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarers Identity Document (CDC) issued under the erstwhile Merchant Shipping(M.S) (CDC) Rules, 1960 – reg.

The Merchant Shipping [M.S.] Notice No. 05 of 2012[F. No. 27(1)/CR/2001/Pt.-II] dated 05.03.12, issued by this office on the aforesaid subject, redresses same difficulties faced in applying for replacement Continuous Discharge Certificates (CDCs) issued to seafarers under the erstwhile M.S.(CDC) Rules, 1960, by extending an opportunity to such seafarers to apply for replacement CDCs upto 31.12.13.

2. On revisiting this issue, it is noticed that the M.S.(CDC)Rules, 1993 and 2001 have been promulgated in super-cession of the erstwhile M.S.(CDC) Rules 1960 and 1993, respectively. Hence, the validity period of 10 [ten] years for CDCs as prescribed in the extant M.S. (CDC) Rules 2001 is applicable for all CDCs, including the CDCs issued under the precursor M.S.(CDC) Rules, 1960. Hence, an application for the replacement of a CDC issued under the erstwhile M.S. (CDC) Rules 1960, has to be dealt with accordingly and has now to be processed under the extant M.S.(CDC) Rules,2001 without setting dead-lines for the submission of applications for the renewals thereof. However, while issuing such replacement CDCs under the latter Rules [2001], to the existing seafarers, in lieu of their earlier issued CDCs [issued under the erstwhile M.S.(CDC)Rules, 1960], the following procedures shall be complied with, by the CDC issuing authorities i.e., the jurisdictional Shipping Masters of the Government of Shipping Office, [GSO] concerned;

2.1 The old entries such as CDC number, name, identification mark [if any], signature, photograph, other personal details etc., are required to be verified and matched with the existing/ available records thereof in the office of the Shipping Master, GSO, concerned.

2.2 The unique CDC number of the old CDC is to be retained, on official record(s), for the 'replaced CDC'.

2.3. As per the prevalent procedures, applications for the purpose are received by post and CDCs are also issued to such persons by post only. The latter must be done only by speed post A/D [acknowledgement due] for due record. The details of the new/replaced CDCs are recorded in the official CDC register(s) concerned at the CDC issuing Government Shipping Office.

2.4. Noting that it may, perhaps, be difficult to accurately match the photographs and signatures which may have altered, over time, self attested photocopies of recent/ contemporaneous documents such as certificate of competency [CoC], certificates of modular course(s), passport etc., to be submitted with such renewal applications may also be verified for the purpose.

2.5. Such candidates have to successfully complete the prescribed 4 Standards of Training, certification & Watch Keeping [STCW] Modular Courses from any maritime training institute [MTI] approved by the Directorate General of Shipping[DGS], Govt. of India [an updated list thereof is uploaded on the Official website of this office viz., 'www.dgs.gov.in']

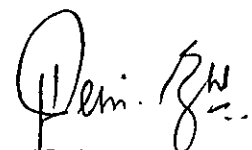
2.6. Such candidates have to submit applications there-to after obtaining an Indian National Database of Seafarers (INDoS) no., which is mandatory.

2.7. Such applications shall also comprise, inter-alia, the addresses of their next-of-kin, if not given earlier or if different from the ones finished earlier.

3. All such seafarers who are in possession of CDCs issued under the M.S.(CDC) Rules, 1960 and are applying for replacement CDCs now under the M.S.[CDC] Rules,2001 (extend) are directed to follow these guidelines.

4. This notice is issued in super-cession this office said preceding of M.S. Notice No. 05 of 2012, and shall come into force with an immediate effect and shall remain in force until further orders.

5. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping and ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India.



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Deputy Director General of Shipping (Crew)

To:

- I. The Shipping Masters, Government Shipping Offices, Chennai / Kolkata / Mumbai.
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