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Sub: Issuance of Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarer's Identity Document (CDC) in the modified format with security features -req.

The Continuous Discharge Certificate (CDC) booklets, issued prior to 1.7.2009 under Merchant Shipping (M.S.) CDC Rules being susceptible to be misused due to its inadequate security features, necessitated, the format of the CDC booklet to be modified, building adequate security features. Such a CDC booklet with Security features were introduced w.e.f. 1.7.2009 vide DGS order No. 3 of 2009 [F. No. 32(6)-CR/99-2005-VI.] dated 24.06.09. In the said format of the CDC booklet, the concept of rank of the seafarers was also introduced as a specific column. However, it is noted that the provision of the rank in the CDC booklet has not served much useful purpose vis-a-vis, it is also strictly not in sync with the existing CDC rules.

2. Considering the above, now, the Director General of Shipping & Ex officio Additional Secretary to the GOI, in exercise of power conferred under section 456 of Merchant Shipping Act 1958, is pleased to dispense with the said rank/category notation in the existing CDC book with immediate effect.

3. Following procedures are also prescribed for the issuance of CDC in future.

3.1 In the CDC booklets being issued presently, the entry in column 'rank' shall be marked 'XXX'. The booklet shall also be inscribed by the Shipping Master before issue that "the requirement of rank column has been dispensed with forthwith." The CDC booklet for the future requirement shall be modified accordingly.


 (Gajum Chatterjee)

Director General of Shipping

I. Copy forwarded for an information & necessary action to the:

1. Shipping Master, Govt. Shipping Offices Chennai, Kolkata & Mumbai.
2. Director, Seamen's Employment Offices, Mumbai/Chennai/ Kolkata
3. Principle Officers, Mercantile Marine Department,
Mumbai/ Kolkata/ Chennai/ Kandla
4. Surveyors-in-Charge, Mercantile Marine Departments,
Vishakhapatham/ Tuticorin/ PortBlair/ Jamnager/ Marmagao/
New Mangalore/ NOIDA/ Pradip/ Haldia.
5. Indian Maritime University, Chennai/LBS College, Mumbai.
6. DGS approved maritime training institutes.
7. INSA/FOSMA/MASSA.
8. NUSI/MUI.
9. Engineering/Nautical/Naval Architecture/Training Branch, DGS, Gol.
10. Hindi Branch, DGS, Gol, for a translation of the order & for getting the same
Uploaded in DGS website.
11. Computer Branch, DGS, Gol. For uploading on the DGS website with its Hindi
Translation.
12. Sr. P.S. to the DGS. Gol.

II. Copy submitted for an information to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhavan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi.