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## ENGINEERING CIRCULAR NO. 06 OF 2015

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**Subject: Revised Engine side minimum Manning Scales for Indian Coastal Vessels (CVs)**

Whereas, the Directorate General of Shipping had issued Indian Coastal Vessel (CV) Notification vide DGS Order No. 01 of 2014 dated 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2014 to promote Indian coastal trade and also had prescribed minimum safe manning scales for all such Indian Coastal Vessels.

Realizing, that the stake holder's viz., ship-owners, managers, operators, associations etc. are still requesting for relaxation on the engine side safe manning scales for Coastal Vessels and such issues are being continuously raised in various Meetings, Seminars, Workshops and similar other forums. Justifications for revision provided by the stake holders are that these vessel operate in close vicinity of the port and nearest land where shore based trained and qualified personnel are available to render assistance as and when required by such vessel for any maintenance or in case of any emergency.

Noting, that the stake holders have submitted that due to the technological advancement including advancement in communication systems these coastal vessels, operating under CV notification, are in touch with the owners/managers at all times and that the vessels have more port stay due to their slow turnaround time. Further, the stake holders have submitted that in order to make the coastal

trade economically viable there is a need of amendment to the existing minimum safe manning on engine side.

Taking the submissions into consideration, the Directorate has deliberated the issue with the stake holders and decided to streamline the engine side minimum safe manning scales based on the inputs from the stake holders. Accordingly, the following revised minimum scale of safe manning of Indian coastal ships on engine side has been prescribed.

Notwithstanding above, the shipowner or ship manager must always ensure that the ship's minimum safe manning is adequate taking into consideration the safety of the ship and the nature of its operation. The Manning levels of the vessel should also take into account the need to deal with emergency situations and compliance with rest hour requirements as per MLC, 2006.

**Indian Coastal vessels shall be manned by:**

	kW < 750		750 ≤ kW < 1500		1500 ≤ kW < 3000		3000 ≤ kW < 6000		6000 ≤ kW < 8000 * (upto 10000 kW in case of dredgers)	
Capacity	Nos.	Min. Grade	Nos.	Min. Grade	Nos.	Min. Grade	Nos.	Min. Grade	Nos.	Min. Grade
Chief Engineer	1	MEO CI IV (NCV) With 12 months experience	1	MEO CI III (NCV – SEO) with 6 months experience	1	MEO CL-II or MEO CI III (NCV-CEO) or MEO CI III (NCV-SEO) with 12 months experience	1	MEO CL-II with 6 months experience or MEO CI III (NCV-CEO) with 6 months experience Or MEO CI-III (NCV-CEO) with OSV endorsement	1	MEO CL-II with 12 months experience or MEO CI III (NCV-CEO) with 12 months experience or MEO CI-III (NCV-CEO) with OSV endorsement with 6 months Experience
Second Engineer	1	Inland (IV) Driver (1 <sup>st</sup> Class)  OR Marine Engineer Officer Class IV (NCV) Part-A	1	MEO CI IV (NCV) With 6 months experience	1	MEO CI III (NCV-SEO) or MEO CI IV (NCV) With 12 months experience	1	MEO CL-IV (FG) with 6 months experience or MEO CI III (NCV-SEO) with 6 months experience	1	MEO CL-IV (FG) with 12 months experience or MEO CI III (NCV-SEO) with 12 months experience
Third Engineer	-		1	MEO CI IV (NCV) Part A	1	MEO CI IV (NCV) Part-A	1	MEO CI IV (NCV)	1	MEO CL-IV (FG) Or MEO CI IV (NCV) With 6 months experience

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Rating forming part of engineering watch	-		-		1	Rating forming part of engineering watch	2	Rating forming part of engineering watch	2	Rating forming part of engineering watch
Rating	2	GP Rating	1	GP Rating	1	GP Rating	1	GP Rating	1	GP Rating
Total	4		4		5		6		6	

**Note:** Experience means sea service after obtaining the relevant CoC mentioned in the manning scale

The owners/managers/operators of the Indian Coastal Vessels are advised to approach to the Registrar of the vessel for new minimum safe manning certificate as per this circular for manning of their vessels and the existing manning scales will continue till the new safe manning document is issued by the concerned Registrar of the vessel.

This circular issued with the approval of Director General of Shipping.



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