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Sub: Review of debarment of Continuous Discharge Certificates(CDC)-reg.

Whereas the Continuous Discharge Certificates (CDCs) are issued to Indian seafarers by the Government Shipping Offices of Shipping Masters at Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata. The issuance of CDCs is governed by the Merchant Shipping [Continuous Discharge Certificate) Rules, 2017.

2. And whereas the Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India had, vide its letter No.B-11015/45/95-MT dated 07.02.97, issued guidelines for "Recognition of training Institutes in private sector and selection of candidates for pre-sea training in Government/approved trained institutes". Para 5 of the said guidelines reads, it is contextually as "*responsibility of training institutes to ensure the authenticity/genuineness of the certificates submitted by the candidates for obtaining CDCs, in case the certificates are found to be fake, the candidates shall be debarred for life from taking up a career at sea in Merchant Navy*". Pursuant thereto, the Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India had vide its letter No.16(27)/CR/98 dated 24.06.1999, conveyed the said directions to the Shipping Masters. Following the same, candidates who were found to have submitted false/fake/forged documents for obtaining CDCs were debarred for life from applying for CDCs. At that time around 700 candidates have been debarred for life, accordingly.

3. And whereas, the Directorate received various requests/representations from applicants so affected for taking a sympathetic view in the matter and to review the said policy of debarment for life.

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