



The Directorate General of Shipping (SWFS) cordially
invites you to attend the

Symposium on Seafarers' Recruitment & Welfare

"हर लहर, हर यात्रा – नाविक का कल्याण"



Chief Guest

Shri Vijay Kumar, IAS
Secretary of MoPSW

Guests of Honour

Shri Rajesh Kumar Sinha, IAS
Special Secretary of MoPSW

Shri Shyam Jagannathan, IAS
Director General of Shipping

Shri Sushil Mansing Khopde, IPS
Additional Director General

Capt. S.I. Abul Kalam Azad
Nautical Advisor-cum-Addl. DG

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THURSDAY 18 AT 10:00 AM

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Chanakyapuri, Delhi



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Minute to Minute Programme of Symposium on Seafarers' Recruitment & Welfare

Time	Session / Theme	Lead Speakers / Agency
0930 - 1000	Delegate Registration and Welcome Reception	Crew branch, DGS
1000 - 1010	Lighting of the Lamp and Saraswati Vandana	All Delegates
1010 - 1015	Inaugural Welcome Address	Shri Mukul Dutta, Member Treasurer, SWFS
1015 - 1020	Symposium Objectives and Key Outcomes Overview	Capt. PC Meena DDG (Crew)
1020 - 1030	Key Insights on RPSL Issues (Guest of Honour)	Capt. S.I. Abul Kalam Azad, Nautical Advisor-cum-Addl. DG
1030 - 1040	Strategic Insights on RPSL Challenges (Guest Of Honour)	Shri Sushil Mansing Khopde, IPS, Addl. Director General(S)
1040 - 1055	Keynote address on RPSL, MTI & New legislation	Shri Shyam Jagannathan, IAS DG (S)
1055 - 1110	Special note Address from Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways	Shri Rajesh Kumar Sinha, IAS Special Secretary
1110 - 1130	Leadership Vision for the Sector (Chief Guest)	Shri Vijay Kumar, IAS Secretary, MoPSW

Session - 1 on "Seafarers recruitment and welfare" perspective from DG Shipping, Government of India

1130 - 1150	Roles and Responsibilities of RPSL Companies & Challenges Faced by RPSL/Shipping Companies / Seafarers: Seafarer's Rights and Seafarer's Code of Conduct	Capt. PC Meena DDG (Crew)
1150- 1205	Projection of seafarer welfare and future aspects	Shri Bowalekar, Chief Administrative Officer, SWFS
1205 - 1225	Projection from seafarers' provident funds office	Shri Surendra Kumar, Commissioner, SPFO
1225 - 1240	Flagship program of the DG Shipping – Sagar Mein Yog, Sagar Mein Samman Rep of MUI and NUSI	Rep of MUI and NUSI

1330 - 1430	Lunch Break	
Panel discussion with Industry experts		
1400-1445	<p>1st Panel discussion on seafarers' recruitment- a perceptive by Government and Industry Experts.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rep of Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways. (Initiative of GoI) 2. Ash Mohammed, Merchant Shipping Law Branch, DGS (Legal matters of seafarers) 3. Rep from Cruise lines RPSL (Employment opportunities). 4. Rep of P & I Club (Abandonment specific and claims and settlement) 5. Rep of MUI (Seafarers perspectives on Indian vessels and foreign vessels). 	<p style="text-align: right;">Moderator - Shri Praveen Nair, Sr. DDG (Tech.)</p>
1445 - 1530	<p>2nd Panel discussion on seafarers' welfare</p> <p>Experts from Industry -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rep of INSA (Indian ship owners' perspective) 2. Rep of ICSSA (Coastal ship owners' perspective) 3. Rep of MASSA (Training Specific) 4. Rep of FOSMA (Foreign ship owners /RPSL Specific) 5. Rep of NUSI (Indian and foreign seafarers) 	<p style="text-align: right;">Moderator - Capt. Santosh Darokar, Principal Officer, MMD Kandla</p>
1530 - 1600	Session on Question and Answer	
1600 - 1605	Vote of thanks	Major Anutosh Singh (Retd), Asstt. DG (S)
National Anthem		
1605 - 1700	High Tea and Networking	

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