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Directorate General of Shipping to reactivate the suspended INDoS of Seafarers from 01 February 2020

The shipping industry is aware that INDoS of certain seafarers was suspended by the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS). The reason being that certificates for certain courses were obtained from Maritime Training Institutes (MTIs) without physically attending the same.

As per mandate given by the DGS, such Officers have submitted either proof of their presence / letter of apology. In either case, most have re-appeared for the courses, and obtained the certificates now in the authentic manner.

Therefore, MUI approached the Ministry of Shipping, met Director General of Shipping in the matter. Honourable Minister for Shipping, Shri Mansukh Mandaviya was also approached on 18 December, 2019 in New Delhi exclusively for the matter. We made an appeal, that taking into account the steps followed by the Officers as mandated by DGS, a considerate approach be taken and a relaxation be granted and INDoS be activated at the earliest.

As a result, the Directorate General of Shipping will activate the individual INDoS of seafarers who have re-done the courses and have submitted the certificates to the office of the Directorate effective from 01 February, 2020.

We would like to thank the Honourable Minister of Shipping, Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya and Director General of Shipping, Shri Amitabh Kumar-IRS to permit seafarers to commence sailing on Indian and foreign flag ships and provide for their families.

With Regards

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