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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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Subject: - Corrigendum to DGS Order No. 17 of 2022 - STCW Certification of Indian Navy Personnel in accordance with Article IX of the Convention.

1. Whereas the Directorate issued DGS Order No. 17 of 2022, titled "STCW Certification of Indian Navy Personnel in accordance with Article IX of the STCW Convention," which establishes the framework for issuing STCW Certificates of Competency (CoC) and Certificates of Proficiency (CoP) to eligible Indian Navy personnel transitioning to the Merchant Navy.
2. And whereas the Order was issued pursuant to Article IX of the STCW Convention, which permits the issuance of CoCs and CoPs to naval personnel, provided that equivalency is established in terms of seagoing service, knowledge, and proficiency—particularly concerning navigational and technical ship handling, cargo operations, and adherence to safety and pollution prevention standards equivalent to those prescribed by the Convention.
3. Whereas Part B of the Order, issued by the Nautical Division, outlines the criteria for recognition of naval qualifications and defines "Specialist Executive Officers" under Item D, Paragraph 5, as Executive Branch Officers of the Indian Navy holding certain recognised specialisations.
4. Whereas a representation was received regarding the inadvertent exclusion of "Long Hydrography" as an eligible specialisation for Executive Branch Officers of the Indian Navy, and the matter was subsequently examined during the Working Level Meeting held between the Indian Navy and the Directorate General of Shipping on 28.01.2025.
5. Now, therefore, in view of the decision taken at the said meeting, it is hereby notified that the category of Specialist Executive Officers under Item D, Paragraph 5 of Part B of DGS Order No. 17 of 2022 shall be amended to include "Long Hydrography" as an eligible specialisation.
6. This corrigendum shall be read in conjunction with DGS Order No. 17 of 2022 and shall come into immediate effect from the date of its issuance.

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