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(पोत परिवहन मंत्रालय)

OFFICE OF THE SEAMENS PROVIDENT FUND COMMISSIONER
(UNDER MINISTRY OF SHIPPING)

कृपया सभी पत्र व्यवहार आयुक्त के
पते पर करें
All Replies should be
Addressed to the Commissioner

कृपानिधि, 3रा माला, /KRUPANIDHI, 3rd floor,
9, वालचन्द हीराचन्द मार्ग/9, Walchand Hirachand Marg,
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24 MAR 2017

In continuation to this office Circular No. 137-II/309/2015 dated 18th May, 2015 (copy enclosed). It is further observed that Shipping Companies are still not remitting the Provident Fund contribution as per Section 2 (I) of the SPF Act 1966 of all seamen engaged by them on their vessels. In this connection it is reiterated that the said Section covers Seafarers including all Officers except Welfare Officer, Nurse, Musician, Pilot and Deck Barber.

2. Further it is also observed that some Shipping Companies are retaining the Provident Fund Contributions of the seafarers engaged by them.

3. All Shipping Companies/RPSL Agents are therefore once again and finally directed to take necessary action for the Provident Fund Contributions of all the Seafarers/Seamen as per the Section 2 (I) of the SPF Act, 1966 and remit the Provident Fund contribution as per Para 26 (3) & (4) of the Seamen's Provident Fund Scheme 1966 and including officers w.e.f. May 2015 as per said Circular of this office dated 18.05.15. The Shipping Companies are also directed to immediately transfer the Provident Fund Contributions of the seafarers retained by them for the past period without fail.

4. It may please be noted that ignoring the above directions may lead to initiate action against your Directors under the Proviso of Para 66 (b), & (c) of Seamen's Provident Fund Scheme, 1966.

Encl: As above.

(Subhash Barguzer)
Commissioner
Seamen's Provident Fund Organization
Mumbai

To

All Shipping Companies,

Copy for information to:

1) INSA/MASSA/FOSMA/ICCSA/NUSI/MUI

2) DDG, E-Gov, DGS with a request to please place this circular in the DGS website.



OFFICE OF THE SEAMEN'S PROVIDENT FUND COMMISSIONER
(Under Ministry of Shipping)

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It has been observed by the Internal Auditors of the Organization as well as CAG Auditors that many shipping companies do not remit the Provident Fund contribution as per Para 26 (3) & (4) of the Seamen's Provident Fund Scheme 1966.

2. It has also been pointed out that Shipping Companies while calculating the Provident Fund doesn't calculate the PF as per the Section 2 (n) (i) & (ii) of the SPF Act 1966.

3. Further the shipping companies remitting Provident Fund contribution on voluntary basis are not attaching copy of ~~any~~ TCC/CBA/ITF Agreement or mentioning the applicable rate fixed per month for Provident Fund & Annuity for remitting the contributions due to which the total remittance could not be cross verified.

4. It is therefore requested that all concerned shipping companies while remitting the PF contribution to the Organization should provide the following information.

- a) All remittances of Provident Fund should be as per Section 2 (n) (i) & (ii) and Para 26 of the Seamen Provident Fund Act & Scheme 1966
- b) Shipping companies remitting Provident Fund contributions on voluntary basis should attach copy of any TCC/CBA/ITF Agreement or mention the applicable rate fixed per month for Provident Fund & Annuity so that remittance could be cross verified.

In case, if any errors are noticed the cheque/Statements will be returned to the company.

(Aji Vasudevan),
Commissioner,
Seamen's Provident Fund Organization,
Mumbai

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All shipping companies:-

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