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Sub: Reporting of defective navigational aids or relating Navigational Developments in or around Indian Ports or Coast of India

The Directorate in the past couple of years has issued number of notices providing guidelines to the ports including Minor Ports and Mariners on the stated subject matter.

The Directorate is surprised to note the reporting of such information by the port or the Seafarers is first made to the admiralty (United Kingdom) rather than to the Chief Hydrographer of India at Dehradun. The Directorate being concerned and committed to safety of life/safety of navigation and protection of Marine Environment takes serious view of this irregularity.

Pursuant to the provisions in making reports relating to navigational warnings and changes to the charted data under the provision of Merchant Shipping Act. 1958 Section 354A/356 and SOLAS 1974 chapter V- Safety of Navigation, that any source of danger to navigation shall be communicated to the competent authority as soon as possible by the affected Port or Ports and the Seafarers.

To ensure compliance of National and International regulations pertaining to the reporting of Navigational Dangers, the Directorate urges that

- 1) All Port authorities (Major and Non-Major Ports coming under the purview of ISPS code) shall immediately inform of any change or changes in Navigational Information relating to their respective Ports inclusive of Modernization Plan etc.
- 2) The Mariners shall also actively participate in updating charts and Nautical Publications by communicating immediately of such information showing any discrepancy to charted data inclusive of any dangers or incorrect charted aids to navigation.

The above information shall be reported to the under mentioned organization in the attached format (as prescribed in the Indian Notices to Mariners- Hydrographic for Port

information/by mariners Note).

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The Directorate understanding that the implementation of these guidelines would enhance safety of navigation therefore directs all ports and mariners to adhere to these instructions strictly. Any infringement if comes to its knowledge would be dealt with under the provision of relevant Section of Merchant Shipping Act. However, the Ports and Mariners extending co-operation in this endeavour would be given due recognition during the National Maritime Day celebration.

Sd/-

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Encl:

1. I.H.102a (Revised 2003), Hydrographic Note for information, (for Reporting Changes to Port Information)
2. I.H. 102 (Revised 2003), Hydrographic Note, (For Reporting Navigational Dangers/Change observed at Sea by Mariners)

Annexure B to NO 46/2003
(Refers to Para 4)

I.H. 102a (Revised 2003)

HYDROGRAPHIC NOTE FOR PORT INFORMATION

(For Reporting Changes to Port Information)

(To accompanying Form I.H. 102)

Name and address of ship / sender:

Ref No.: _____
Date : _____

Fax No.: _____, E-mail: _____

1.	a) NAME OF THE PORT : b) Location : Lat: _____, Long: _____ c) Listing in Guide to Port Entry: Yes/No. SL No.:	
2.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PORT AUTHORITIES a) Name b) Address c) Phone d) Fax e) E-mail	
3.	GENERAL REMARKS a) Principal activities and trade b) Latest population figures and date c) Number of ships and tonnage handled per year d) Maximum size and draught of vessels handled. e) Copy of Port Handbook if available.	
4.	ANCHORAGES a) Type / Purpose b) Minimum Depth at anchorage c) Shelter afforded d) Holding ground e) Recommended pilotage to the anchorage	
5.	PILOTAGE a) Authority for requests.	

8.	TUGS a) Number available b) Max. hp. c) Requesting authority d) Availability times e) Communication with Tugs f) Hiring Charges	
9.	BERTHING AND WHARVES a) Number of berths available b) Length, c) Depth alongside d) Facilities available. e) Procedures for requesting berthing and hiring charges	
10.	CARGO HANDLING a) Containers b) Lighters c) Roll on/ roll off, etc.	
11.	CRANES a) Brief details and max. capacity. b) Container handling facilities	
12.	BRIDGES Vertical clearances	
13.	REPAIRS a) Hull, machinery and underwater b) Ship and boat yards c) Docking or Slipway facilities (Give size of vessels handled or dimensions) d) Hards and ramps. e) Divers / Diving Assistance	
14.	RESCUE AND DISTRESS Salvage, lifeboat, coastguard, etc.	
15.	SUPPLIES a) Fuel with type and quantities available. b) Freshwater and rate of supply. c) Provisions d) Chart Agents	
16.	SERVICES a) Radio Telegrams/Telephony b) Medical. c) Quarantine d) Consuls. e) Ship chandlery and stevedores, f) Compass adjustment, g) Tank cleaning, h) Hull painting.	

18. PORT AUTHORITY Designation, address and telephone number.	
19. SMALL CRAFT FACILITIES a) Information and facilities for small craft /yachts visiting the port. b) Yacht clubs, berths etc.	
20. SHORE LEAVE	
21. CLUBS / RECREATION / INFORMATION KIOSKS – Their location.	
22. VIEWS (duly annotated) Photographs (where permitted) of the approaches, leading marks, the entrance to the harbour, etc. (Picture postcards may also be useful).	

Signature of Observer/Reporter.....

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