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**Subject: Amendments to International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESPCODE) and its applicability– reg.**

Whereas, the Government of India has ratified the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, and the Convention entered into force on 25<sup>th</sup> May 1980 through accession. The Convention as modified by the protocol of 1988 entered into force on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2000 through accession. Article 1 of the Convention mandates general obligation of the Government to undertake all measures which may be necessary to give effect to the Convention.

Whereas, the Merchant Shipping Act 1958, as amended incorporates the Convention and is defined at Section 3 (37) as "Safety Convention" means the Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea signed in London on the 1st day of November, 1974 as amended from time to time. Further, the mandatory Codes as indicated in the Convention and its amendments from time to time is in effect and applicable to the vessels.

Whereas, the Recognised Organizations (RO) were notified vide notification dated 26<sup>th</sup> December 2014 and as indicated, an agreement is entered into with each RO to carry out surveys and certification as per the Convention. The DGS Order 6 of 2013 advises RO to follow the mandatory Codes of IMO while carrying out survey and certification.

Noting that, IMO has issued various amendments to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP CODE) from time to time, which is annexed to this Order at Annexure-1 are applicable to Indian vessels. The stakeholders are therefore advised to be guided by this Order towards compliance with the provisions to give full effect to the ESP Code, as amended.

  
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All Stakeholders through DGS Website

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## Annexure – 1

**INTERNATIONAL CODE ON THE ENHANCED PROGRAMME  
OF INSPECTIONS DURING SURVEYS OF BULK CARRIERS  
AND OIL TANKERS, 2011 (2011 ESP CODE)**

Amendments	Adopted		Effective date	Amendments to the Code
	By	Date		
ESP Code	<u>Res.A.1049(27)</u> 1	30.Nov.2011	01.Jan.2014*	Adopted the Code
2014 Amendment	<u>Res.MSC.371(93)</u>	22.May.2014	01.Jan.2016	Amended the Code
	<u>Res.MSC.381(94)</u>	21.Nov.2014	01.Jul.2016	Annex A Part A - 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 6.1, 6.3, 6.4 Part B - 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 6.1, 6.3, 6.4 Annex B Part A - 2.6, 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 6.1, 6.3, 6.4 Part B - 2.6, 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7
Corrigendum of Res.MSC.381(94)	<u>MSC 94/21/Add.1/Corr.1</u>	21.Nov.2014	01.Jul.2016	Annex A Part A - 1.3.3, Annex 7, Annex 14 Part B - 1.3.3, Annex 7, Annex 12 Annex B Part A - 1.3.3, Annex 9, Annex 12 Part B - 1.3.3, Annex 9, Annex 12
2016 Amendment(96th)	<u>Res.MSC.405(96)</u>	19.May.2016	01.Jan.2018	Annex A Part A - 4.2.1.3,

				5.2.2, 5.2.9, 5.2.10 Part B - 5.2.2, 5.2.9, 5.2.10 Annex B Part A - 5.2.1.1, 5.2.6, 5.2.7 Part B - 5.2.1.1, 5.2.6, 5.2.7
2016 Amendment(97th)	<u>Res.MSC.412(97)</u>	25.Nov.2016	01.Jul.2018	Annex A Part A - 1.5, 2.4.4, Annex 1 Part B - 1.5, 2.4.4, Annex 1, Annex 2 Annex B Part A - 1.5, 2.5.6, 2.6.1.1, Annex 1 Part B - 1.5, 2.6.1.1
2019 Amendment(101st)	<u>Res.MSC.461(101)</u>	14.Jun.2019	01.Jan.2021	Completely revised (Consolidated version)
2021 Amendment(103rd)	<u>Res.MSC.483(103)</u>	13 May 2021	01.Jan.2023	Annex B Part A - Annex 2
2022 Amendment (106th)	<u>Res.MSC.525(106)</u>	10.Nov.2022	01.Jul.2024	Annex A Part A - 2.3.1, 4.2.1.2, 4.2.1.3, Annex 7, Annex 9 Part B - 2.3.1, 2.3.4, 3.7, 4.2.1.2, 4.2.1.3, Annex 7, Annex 9 Annex B Part A - 1.2.1, 2.6.1, Annex 10, Annex 12 Part B - 1.2.1, 2.6.1, Annex 9