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Clarification:

- 1. The Directorate has been receiving queries in the recent past from the examinees and maritime industry with respect to the process of examination and certification of seafarers who have undergone or are undergoing the B.Sc. Nautical Science / B.S. Nautical Technology / B. Sc. Maritime Science (Polyvalent) courses.
- 2. Taking note of the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping for Seafarers) Rules 2014, which came into the force on 31st July, 2014, had a provision for Training Examination and Assessment Programme (TEAP) elaborating the details of the examination requirements and process.
 - 2.1 Noting the requirements under the Rules for TEAP and considering the fact that the TEAP was formalized after due deliberation and promulgated in July, 2015 by which period many seafarers had already commenced their training programme, it is hereby clarified that such seafarers who will join B.Sc. Nautical Science / B.S. Nautical Technology / B. Sc. Maritime Science (Polyvalent) courses after 31st December, 2015 will be required to comply with the requirement under the said TEAP.
 - 2.2 To reiterate, seafarers taking admission after 31st December, 2015 for B.Sc. Nautical Science / B.Sc. Nautical Technology / B. Sc. Maritime Science (Polyvalent) courses will be required to successfully complete the written, signal visuals, oral examination in addition to the required modular courses (as per TEAP) for being eligible for issuance of Certificate of Competency (CoC) as Officer in-charge of Navigational Watch (OIC NW) on ships of 500 gross tonnage or more (2nd Mate of a Foreign Going Ship).
 - 2.3 Such seafarers need not attend the 4 months 2nd Mate Foreign Going Competency Course.

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