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**DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI**

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**NT Exam Circular No. 12 of 2022**

**Sub.: Clarification on extension of validity of nautical discipline examinations during the  
COVID-19 pandemic - reg.**

1. The Directorate had issued NT Branch Circular No. 05 of 2005 dated 06.05.2005 which specified the period of validity of passed function for the nautical discipline STCW Competency Examination as five years from the date of passing the examination.
2. Further, the Directorate had issued NT Exam Circular 01 of 2020 dated 27.07.2020, effective from 24.03.2020, on extension of period of validity of nautical discipline examination functions due to the COVID - 19 pandemic to ensure that candidates who had passed some functions of the Competency Examinations of the Nautical discipline are not put to undue hardship in completing their examinations within the specified validity period of 5 years due to the non-conduct of examinations and seat restrictions during examination to comply with social distancing norms.
3. During the pandemic, the Directorate had conducted additional nautical discipline examination batches for written examinations, with strict compliance with COVID -19 Pandemic safety guidelines so as to facilitate maximum number of candidates to appear in nautical discipline written examinations.
4. Presently, The Directorate has removed all restrictions on seat booking and commenced nautical discipline examinations as per pre-decided schedule.

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5. Viewing the above facts, it has now been decided that the period from **24.03.2020 to 30.06.2022** **SHALL NOT** be counted for inclusion in the 5 years period of validity of the passed function of nautical discipline competency examinations.

To further clarify on the subject, the status of 5 years period of validity of passed function of individual candidates as on 24.03.2020 will remain unchanged till 30.06.2022 and start counting 5 years validity from 01.07.2022 assuming the period 24.03.2020 to 30.06.2022 remain uncounted towards 5 years period.

6. This is issued with approval of the Chief Examiner of Master and Mates and the Nautical Advisor to the Government of India (i/c).



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