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## Crew Branch Circular No. 02 of 2014

Sub Payment of welfare fund contributions by recruitment & placement of seafarers (RPS) service providers to the Seafarers Welfare Fund Society –reg.

The Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India, New Delhi's, Notification GSR 33(E) [F. No. A-12212/3/2010-MA] dated 16.01.14 has drawn guidelines for contributions to be made by recruitment & placement of seafarers service providers, to the welfare fund administered by the Seafarers Welfare Fund Society for seaman engaged on board foreign flag and Indian flag vessels. Such welfare fund contributions are receivable from shipowners/employers, which is to be ensured by the RPSs concerned.

2. The date of issuance of the said notification was in the course of the first quarter of the calendar 2014, whilst it is also stipulated that the "contribution shall be paid on a quarterly basis". Hence, such welfare fund contributions to be made by the RPSs become payable from the second quarter of 2014 i.e., from 01.04.14. All RPS providers are advised to duly take note thereof.

This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping & ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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Deputy Director General of Shipping (Crew)

To, this was

1. All RPS service providers, under the MS(RPS) Rules, 2005.

2. All Indian flag shipowners.

3. Shipping Masters, Government Shipping Offices, Chennai/Mumbai/Kolkata.

4 Principal Officers, Mercantile Marine Departments. Mumbai/ Kolkata/

5. Surveyers-in-Charge, MMDs, Vishakhapatnam /Tuticorin/Goa/Jamnagar/Port Blair/NOIDA/Mangalore/Paradip/Haldia.

6. Seafarers Welfare Fund Society, Mumbai.

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9 Nautical /Engineering/Training/Shipping Development/ Training/E-Governance name Branches, DGS, GOI.

10. Hindi Branch, DGS GOI, for its Translation.

11 Computer Branch, DGS, GOI, for uploading this on the official website of the DGS.

12. Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhavan, 2, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110 001 (Attn.; Shri K. Touthang, Director [MA]) for an information.