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Sub: Conditions for granted license to foreign flag ships under sections 406 & 407 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, laying down the norms for engaging Indian crew on board these ships engaged in shipping and related activities in the Indian coastal water – dispensation - regarding.

Whereas this Directorate General of Shipping has issued the DGS Circular No.1B of 2011 keeping in view the imposition of crewing requirement of ships doing business in the Indian coastal waters and the conditions for granted licenses to foreign flag vessels under sections 406 or 407 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, in force, laying down the norms for engaging Indian crew on board these ships;

- 2. Whereas the companies/shipowners/charterers are required to engage/deploy required Indian crew/officers as per the said DGS Circular 1 B of 2011 for obtaining license for foreign flag vessels doing business in Indian waters as per the norms provided for in the said circular;
- 3. Whereas the companies/shipowners/charterers are, sometimes, unable to deploy Indian crew/officers on board the foreign flag vessels for various reasons and as such request for dispensation/relaxation from the requirements of the said Circular.
- 4. Whereas it has been suggested that training slots as per the norms of the regular tonnage tax scheme can be considered as one of the options for such dispensation/relaxation;
- 5. Now, therefore, the DGS, in pursuance of the power conferred on him under the provisions of sections 406 and 407 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, issues the following terms and conditions for considering the said request for dispensation/relaxation in the ship crewing requirements:

- 5.1. The companies/shipowners/charterers/ shall substantiate the crewing requirement as per their safe manning documents during the concerned calendar year and deploy the required number of Indian crew/officers not later than 90 days from the date of grant of license;
- 5.2. In case of non-deployment of crew/officers, the companies/shipoweners/ charterers are required to provide training slots for the Indian crew/officers on the same scale as prescribed for the regular tonnage tax scheme i.e. 10:1.5 for the entire period of application/requirement of the license in respect of the deficient number of man-days required under the said circular 1B, including the initial period of 90 days;
- 5.3. An undertaking to the effect that the training slots will be provided during the calendar year, should be given as a preliminary requisition in case the training slot is not provided at the time of application & license will be considered for a period not exceeding 90 days and further extension can be considered only on providing training slots.
- 5.4. The applicant for the license is permitted to offer training on the ship of any other Indian company from the surplus training slots under the Tonnage Tax Scheme.
- 6. The Director General of Shipping retains the right to take action as deemed fit, overriding any of the guidelines laid down and issued on the subject.
- 7. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping & ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India.

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Deputy Director General of Shipping(SD)

To

- 1. All Indian Shipping Companies
- 2. INSA/FOSMA/MASSA, Mumbai
- 3 All Charterers/Shippers
- 4. Federation of Indian Export Organization, PHD House, Opp.Asian Games Village, Hauzkhas, New Delhi-110 018.
- 5. Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., Mumbai.
- 6. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Mumbai
- 7. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Mumbai.
- 8. All Mercantile Marine Departments.
- 9. All Classification Societies.