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## भारतसरकार/ GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

पत्तन, पोतपरिवहनऔरजलमार्गमंत्रालय MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS नौवहनमहानिदेशालय, मुंबई DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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## DGS Order No. 19 of 2022

Subject: Corrigendum to DGS Order 18 of 2022 & DGS Order 06 of 2013 Inspection & Certification of Containers Manufactured in India in accordance with CSC 1972 – reg.

- 1. Containers form an essential part of global trade and the container scarcity during the recovery phase of the pandemic last year had a spiraling impact on the freight rates across the globe. The Government of India in its efforts to mitigate the impact of such shortage of Containers on Indian EXIM trade, has decided to encourage large scale manufacturing of Containers in India.
- 2. Recognising the importance of uniform standards and procedures for the inspection and certification of containers manufactured in India by authorised Certifying agencies in a seamless and time-bound manner, the Directorate General of Shipping vide DGS Order No.18 of 2022 had permitted joint certification/inspection of Containers as per CSC Convention 1972 by the Indian Register of Shipping (IRS) along with any other Recognized Organization (RO) authorised by the Govt of India.
- 3. However, pointing out that the container manufacturing and associated safety inspections/approvals are only evolving sectors in India and large number of containers need to be manufactured and approved in India in a time-bound manner, the Directorate has been receiving representations from various stakeholder organizations to permit inspection and certification of containers independently by any Recognized Organization authorised by the Govt. of India.
- 4. After due deliberations on the matter with various stakeholders, the Directorate in partial modification to Paragraphs 5 & 6 of DGS Order 18 of 2022 hereby permits any Recognized Organization (RO) authorised by the GoI to inspect and certify Containers manufactured in India as per CSC Convention 1972 and other IMO Codes and Conventions, as applicable, till further orders.
- 5. This is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping & Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India.

This Order comes into effect from date of issue.

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