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Sub.: Advisory to all Companies to manufacture under Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan for Type Approval of "Emergency Food Ration"- reg.

For the attention of all Life Raft Service Station, Indian Register of Shipping.

1. The Directorate has observed that without approval of Food Safety and Standard Authority of India (FSSAI) certificate, International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and recommendation of Directorate General of Shipping, some authority are issuing the type approval certificate for emergency food ration for lifeboat.
2. Therefore, M/s. Indian Register of Shipping (IRS) has been granted approval to carry out inspection and approval of "Emergency Food Ration" on behalf of the Maritime administration on the following condition but not limited to;
 - i. Procedure for inspection and approval of emergency food ration to be used for Life Saving shall be part of quality manual.
 - ii. International Organization for Standardization (ISO) as applicable shall be followed for the approval of food item having shelf life of 2.5 years or more.
 - iii. The testing laboratory where it required to be tested shall have NABL approval certificate in accordance with required ISO standard.
 - iv. International Association of Classification Societies (IACS) standard to be use for approval and the same to be complied by the Indian Register of Shipping (IRS).
 - v. Applied organization or in case of joint venture one organization shall have Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) approval certificate for "Emergency Food ration". However, in case of joint venture approval shall be given to Joint Venture Company.
 - vi. Packaging material which will be used for packing shall be in accordance with the FSSAI requirement.
2. IRS is required to forward the inspection report along with the copy of the approved certificate of the organization to DG Shipping for our record and up-loading on the e-governance system.
3. This is issued with the approval of Director General of Shipping & Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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