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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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## DGS Order 01 of 2022

Subject; - Temporary withdrawal of the SOP for domestic cruise in Indian waters - reg.

This Directorate had earlier issued DGS Order 31 of 2021 dated 22.09.2021 containing standard operating procedures for resumptions of domestic cruise in Indian waters.

- 2. Accordingly, the cruise passenger vessels were allowed to operate in Indian waters.
- Recently, large number of passengers on the board the cruise vessel "MV Empress" were detected COVID 19 positive. In view of the same, the vessel M.V. Empress is not to embark fresh passengers on the vessel at Goa and the existing passengers on the vessel are to be disembarked at Mumbai following the specified protocol for dealing with such cases as per the instructions of the health authorities.
- 4. In addition, it has been decided that the SOP issued vide DGS order 31 of 2021 is temporarily withdrawn with immediate effect till further orders.

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