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MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

F. No. 15-13011/4/2025 - MSL – DGS (C.NO. 34445)

Dated: 21.10.2025

Order

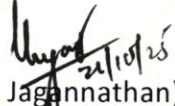
Sub.: Control of Base draft Merchant Shipping Rules & Coastal Shipping Rules and timelines.

The resources/officials mentioned in Column No. 7 of the table at Annexure-I & Annexure-II to this order, shall act as Custodian of Base Draft of respective Rules, with sources of the text, corrections done with indication of reason/source of inputs, stakeholders comments /responses thereto till finalisation and notification of rules.

2. All Rules under MS Act, 2025 and CS act, 2025 except where extended timeline (on request of Nodal officers) is mentioned in Column No 5 of the table at Annexure-I & Annexure-II to this order, shall be submitted by 21.10.25 to PLR team with copy to DDG-MSL.

3. The draft of the rules, where the timeline is extended based on request of Nodal officers in the meeting held on 21.10.25, shall be strictly submitted within that period. No further extension shall be allowed.

4. This is for immediate compliance by respective Nodal officers and Resource assigned as Custodian.


(Shyam Jagannathan)
Director General of Shipping

Encl.: As above.

To

1. All Nodal officers for Rules under MS Act, 2025
2. All Nodal officers for Rules under CS Act, 2025.
3. All Resources assigned as Custodian.

Annexure-I
Table
Merchant Shipping Rules

| Sr. No . | Part of MS Bill | Title of the Part of MS Bill | No. of Rules | Nomenclature for the Proposed Rules | Nodal Officer(s) | Custodian of text of Draft Rules | E- Mail |
|----------|-----------------|---|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 1. | Part -II | Establishment of Boards and General Administration. | 2 | 1. Merchant Shipping (National Shipping Board) Rules. | Capt. Nitin Mukesh, Dy. NA | Ms Deeksha Kathayat (RRU), | nautic.lglassist2-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | 2. Merchant Shipping (Seafarer Welfare Board and Levy of Fees) Rules. | Capt. Nitin Mukesh, Dy. NA | Ms Pooja Vakani (Nalsar) | poojavakani1480@gmail.com |
| 2. | Part- III | Registration of Vessels. | 1 | Merchant Shipping (Registration of vessels) Rules. By 31.10.25 | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA | Ms Vedika Jhall, RRU | nautic.lglassist5-dgs@gov.in |
| 3. | Part-IV | Maritime Training and Education | 2 | 1.Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and | Shri Praveen Nair, Dy. CS & Capt. Ravi. Singh Sikarwar, NS | Ms Rehana Dhawade (Nalsar), Ms Sneha Roy (IIFT) | rehanadhawade@gmail.com trg.legalconsultant@gov.in sneharoy9712@gmail.com |

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| | | | | Watch-keeping for Seafarers) Rules. | | | |
| | | | | 2. Merchant Shipping (Examination of Dredge Personnel in Engine and Nautical Discipline)) Rules. By 31.10.25 | Shri Praveen Nair, Dy. CS & Capt. Ravi. Singh Sikarwar, NS | Ms Rehana Dhawade (Nalsar), Ms Sneha Roy (IIFT) | rehanadhawade@gmail.com trg.legalconsultant@gov.in sneharoy9712@gmail.com |
| 4. | Part-V | Seafarers | 5 | 1.Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarers) Rules | Capt. PC Meena, NS | Shri Rituraj Sarma (SEED) Shri Aishwarya Ajay Malve (SEED) Ms Anindita Das (Nalsar) | rituraj.sarma@in.ey.com aishwarya.malve@in.ey.com aninditad3@gmail.com |
| | | | | 2.Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) Rules | Capt. PC Meena, NS | Shri Rituraj Sarma (SEED) Shri Aishwarya Ajay Malve (SEED) Ms Anindita Das (Nalsar) | rituraj.sarma@in.ey.com aishwarya.malve@in.ey.com aninditad3@gmail.com |

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| | | | | 3.Merchant Shipping (Seafarer Accommodation), Rules | Shri Nebu Oommen, Dy. CSS | Shri Akshay S (SEED) Shri Anup Sahu, UDC Smt. Ankita, DEO | akshay.s4@in.ey.com sahu-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | 4.Merchant Shipping (Medical) Rules | Capt Nitin Mukesh, Dy. NA | Ms Deeksha Kathayat (RRU) | nautic.lglassist2-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | 5.Merchant Shipping (Continuous Discharge Certificate and Seafarer's Identity Documents) Rules | Capt. PC Meena, NS | Shri Rituraj Sarma (SEED) Shri Aishwarya Ajay Malve (SEED) Ms Anindita Das (Nalsar) | rituraj.sarma@in.ey.com aishwarya.malve@in.ey.com aninditad3@gmail.com |
| 5. | Part- VI | Safety and Security | 17 | 1.Merchant Shipping (Cargo Ship Construction and Survey) Rules By 23.10.525 | Shri Ravi Moka, SS Shri. Ankur Anal, JSS + Shri Niket Pathak, E&SS | Mr Aditya (IIFT) | 123adityanarayan26@gmail.com |

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| | | | | 2.Merchant Shipping (Construction, Survey of Passenger Ship and certification) Rules By 23.10.25 | Shri Ravi Moka, SS Shri. Ankur Anal, JSS + Shri Niket Pathak, E&SS | Mr Aditya (IIFT) | 123adityanarayan26@gmail.com |
| | | | | 3.Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Cargo) Rules | Capt. Vikram Singh Manhas, Dy. NA | Mr Tejas (IIFT) Ms Indhu Mathi M, (MMD, Legal resource) Shri Sivramkrishna, UDC | advthejasrs@gmail.com indhumadhavan06@gmail.com sivaram.kr@gov.in |
| | | | | 4.Merchant Shipping (Fire Appliances) Rules | Shri Satish Kamath And Shri Praveen Roy | Mr Karan Gandhi, (SEED) | karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 5.Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Rules | Capt. Nitin Mukesh, Dy. NA | Ms Pooja Vakani (Nalsar) | poojavakani1480@gmail.com |
| | | | | 6.Merchant Shipping (Distress and Safety Radio | Shri B. Mohapatra, SRS | Mr Ujjawal Ranjan (RRU) | nautic.lglassist3-dgs@gov.in |

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| | | | | Communication) Rules. | | | |
| | | | | 7.Merchant Shipping (Management for the Safe Operation of Ships) Rules. | Shri KM Rao, PO Shri Gopi Krishna C,E&SS | Mr Thejas (IIFT) Mr Sivrama Krishna | advthejasrs@gmail.com sivaram.kr@gov.in |
| | | | | 8.Merchant Shipping (ISPS) Rules. | Capt Nitin Mukesh, Dy. NA | Ms Deeksha Kathayat, RRU Ms pooja Vakani (Nalsar) | nautic.lglassist2-dgs@gov.in poojavakani1480@gmail.com |
| | | | | 9.Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Rules By 25.10.25 | Capt Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & Capt. Pardhasarthi V., NS | Mr Rajath KU (Nalsar) | rajathganesh17@gmail.com |
| | | | | 10.Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Rules. By 25.10.25 | Shri Nebu Oommen, Dy CSS Shri. Ankur Anal, JSS | Mr Ajit Tambe, Assistant Mr Anup Sahoo, UDC | ajittambe-dgs@gov.in sahu-dgs@gov.in |

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| | | | | 11.Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Collision at Sea) Rules. | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & Capt. Sabyasachi Mukhopadhyay | Mr Rajath KU (Nalsar) | rajathganesh17@gmail.com |
| | | | | 12.Merchant Shipping (Search and Rescue) Rules. | Capt. Harinder Singh, NS | Mr Manneck Vesuna, RRU | nautic.lglassist1-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | 13.Merchant Shipping (Tonnage Measurement) Rules. By 25.10.25 | Shri Nebu Oommen, Dy. CSS, Shri. Ankur Anal, JSS | Mr Anup Sahoo, UDC, | sahu-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | 14.Merchant Shipping (Regulation of Entry of ships into Ports, anchorages and Offshore facilities) Rules. | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA | Ms Yukta Matlapurkar (RRU) | nautic.lglassist4-dgs@gov.in |

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| | | | | By 24.10.25 | | | |
| | | | | 15.Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules. | Capt. Vikram Singh Manhas, Dy. NA | Mr Thejas (IIFT) Ms Indhu Mathi M (MMD, Legal resource) Shri Sivramkrishna, UDC | advthejasrs@gmail.com indhumadhavan06@gmail.com sivaram.kr@gov.in |
| | | | | 16.Merchant Shipping (Use of liquefied Gases as Fuel) Rules. | Shri Satish Kamath, Dy CS , Shri Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Mr Karan Gandhi (SEED) | karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 17.Merchant Shipping (Flag State and Port State Inspection) Rules. | Shri Aniruddha Chaki, Dy. CS, Shri Niket Pathak, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEED) | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com |
| 6. | Part-VII | Prevention, Containment of Pollution From Vessel and Response | 9 | 1.Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Oil from Ships) Rules (MARPOL Annex-I) | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO + Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |

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| | | | | 2.Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substance in Bulk) Rules. (MARPOL - Annex II) | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO + Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 3.Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Harmful Substances Carried by Sea in Packaged Form.) Rules. (MARPOL Annex-III) | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO + Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 4.Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from ships) | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO + Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |

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| | | | | Rules.(MARPOL Annex-IV) | | | |
| | | | | 5. Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Garbage from Ships) Rules (MARPOL Annex-V) | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO and Shri Shitesh Ranjan,SS Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Kumar Pravin Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 6.Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships) Rules (MARPOL Annex-VI) | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO and Shri Shitesh Ranjan,SS Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Kumar Pravin Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 7.Merchant Shipping (Control of Anti-fouling System) Rules. | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO + Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEEED) | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |

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| | | | | | Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | |
| | | | | 8.Merchant Shipping (Dumping of wastes and other matter at sea) Rules. | Capt. Vikram Manahs, Dy. NA and Shri Shitesh Ranjan, SS + One Officer from Nautical wing | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| | | | | 9. Merchant Shipping (Ballast Water Management) Rules. | Shri Senthil Kumar, PO + Shri Mahesh Korade, E&SS and Shri Pravin Kumar Roy, E&SS | Shri Devarshi Datta (SEEED) Shri Karan Gandhi (SEEED) Resource/staff of MMD Kochi | devarshi.datta@in.ey.com karan.gandhi1@in.ey.com |
| 7. | Part- VIII | Survey, Audit and Certification | 1 | Merchant Shipping (Survey, Audit and Certification) Rules. | Shri KM Rao, PO | Shri Thejas (IIFT) Shri Sivarama Krishna, UDC, MMD, Chennai Ms Indhumathi M (MMD, Legal resource) | advthejasrs@gmail.com indhumadhavan06@gmail.com sivaram.kr@gov.in |

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| 8 | Part IX | Maritime Liability and Compensation | 05 | <u>Chapter 1:</u> Merchant Shipping (Collision, Accident at Sea and Liability) Rules By 31.10.25 | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & Capt. Harinder Singh, NS | Ms Yukta Matlapurkar, RRU | nautic.lglassist4-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | <u>Chapter 2:</u> Merchant Shipping (Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims) Rules. By 24.10.25 | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & Capt. Harinder Singh, NS | Ms Yukta Matlapurkar, RRU | nautic.lglassist4-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | <u>Chapter 3:</u> Merchant Shipping (Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage) Rules By 24.10.25 | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & Capt. Harinder Singh, NS | Ms Yukta Matlapurkar, RRU | nautic.lglassist4-dgs@gov.in |
| | | | | <u>Chapter 4:</u> Merchant Shipping (Civil Liability for | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & | Ms Yukta Matlapurkar, RRU | nautic.lglassist4-dgs@gov.in |

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| | | | | Bunker Oil Pollution Damage) Rules. By 31.10.25 | Capt. Harinder Singh, NS | | |
| | | | | <u>Chapter 5:</u> Merchant Shipping (International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage) Rules By 24.10.25 | Capt. Anish Joseph, Dy. NA & Capt. Harinder Singh, NS | Ms Yukta Matlapurkar, RRU | nautic.lglassist4-dgs@gov.in |
| 9. | Part- X | Marine Incident and Emergency Response | 1 | Merchant Shipping (Marine Incident and Emergency Response) Rules. | Capt. Harinder Singh, NS + Shri Shitesh Ranjan | Mr Manneck Vesuna, RRU | nautic.lglassist1-dgs@gov.in |
| 10. | Part- XII | Wreck and Salvage | 1 | Merchant Shipping (Wreck and Salvage) Rules. | | Mr Manneck Vesuna, RRU | nautic.lglassist1-dgs@gov.in |

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 11. | Part- XIII | Sailing, Fishing and other vessels | 4 | 1.Merchant Shipping (Fishing Vessels) Rules. By 23.10.25 | Shri Ravi Moka, SS | Mr Aditya (IIFT) | 123adityanarayan26@gmail.com |
| | | | | 2.Merchant Shipping (Sailing vessels) Rules. By 23.10.25 | Shri Ravi Moka, SS | Mr Aditya (IIFT) | 123adityanarayan26@gmail.com |
| | | | | 3.Merchant Shipping (Vessels of Less than Fifteen Tons) Rules. By 23.10.25 | Shri Ravi Moka, SS | Mr Aditya (IIFT) | 123adityanarayan26@gmail.com |
| | | | | 4. Merchant Shipping (Examination of Fishing Vessel Personnel in Engine and Nautical Discipline) Rules. By 23.10.25 | Shri Praveen Nair, Dy. CS & Capt. Ravi. Singh Sikarwar, NS | Mr Ujjawal Ranjan (RRU) Ms Sneha Roy (IIFT) | nautic.lglassist3-dgs@gov.in sneharoy9712@gmail.com |

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| 12. | Part XV | Miscellaneous | 2 | 1.Merchant Shipping (Appeal Against Penalties & Miscellaneous Matters) Rules. | Shri Ash Mohomad, DDG | Legal Ms Rehana Dhawade (Nalsar), Additional Resource with court procedure experience to be engaged. | trg.legalconsultant@gov.in rehanadhawade@gmail.com |
| | | | | 2.Merchant Shipping (Bureau of Port Security) Rules. | Capt. Nitin Mukesh, Dy. NA | Ms Pooja Vakani (Nalsar) Ms Aswini Karkare, DEO. | poojavakani1480@gmail.com |
| TOTAL PROPOSED RULES FOR NOW | | | 50 | | | | |

Annexure-II
Table
Coastal Shipping Rules

| Sr No. | | Provision of CS Bill | No of rules | Nomenclature (probable) | Nodal officer | Custodian of Text of Draft rules | E-mail |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 1 | -- | Licensing & Procedure for Penalties. | 01 | Coastal Shipping (Licensing and Procedure for Penalties) Rules. By 31.10.25 | Shri Nebu Oommen, Dy CSS (SD) | Mr Sandeepan Manna, LDC | Sandeepanmanna-dgs@gov.in |
| 2 | -- | Data and Strategic Plan | 01 | Coastal Shipping (Data and Strategic Plan) Rules | Shri Ravi Moka, SS & DDG- Coastal | Mr Aditya (IIFT) | 123adityanarayan26@gmail.com |