Minutes of the 93rd meeting (special COM meeting) of the Committee of Management of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society held on 24.03.2022 @ 3.00 p.m.

The 93rd meeting (special COM meeting) of the Committee of Management of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society was held on 24.03.2022 @ 3.00 p.m. in the conference room of the office of the Directorate General of Shipping, 9th floor, Beta Building, I-Think Techno Campus, Kanjurmarg (E), Mumbai. The meeting was presided over by Shri Amitabh Kumar, IRS, Secretary to the Govt. of India and Director General of Shipping & Chairman-of the Committee of Management of the SWFS.

2. List of participants in the meeting is placed and Annexure –I hereto (1 page).

Leave of absence was granted to Shri Mukul Dutta, Shipping Master-Mumbai and Member Treasurer-SWFS, Capt. C. Carvalho, Capt. M.K. Patankar, Capt. Kenneth G Sajnani, Shri Vikram Dingle and Shri Milind V. Kandalgaonkar, who could not attend the meeting. Capt. S.M. Halbe attended the meeting in place of Capt. M.K. Patankar and Capt. Pramod Kumar attended the meeting in place of Shri Vikram Dingle. The Chairman then welcomed all the members present at the meeting and the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

- 3. The Member Secretary informed that the representative of M/s. Mialtus Insurance Broking Pvt. Ltd., were invited to make the presentation regarding the proposed Group Medical Insurance Scheme for seafarers and their family members. He requested the Chairman to permit to make the presentation by the representative of the insurance broking company.
- 4. With the permission of the Chairperson the representative of M/s. Mialtus Insurance Broking Pvt. Ltd., have made a presentation before the Members of Committee of Management and the print out of the presentation were made available to all the members.
- 5. After the presentation the representative requested for the suggestion in the scheme proposed by them. The COM members observed that the proposed scheme is good; the insurance premium rates quoted by the broking company for different sum insured amount is also very low.

- 6. The Chairman observed that the insurance premium rate quoted by the firm is same for the age group of 18 years to 65 years. No different age group wise rates were provided in the presentation. The representative informed that they were not having the age group wise database of the seafarers and hence the different age-group wise insurance premium rates could not be worked out. If the number of seafarer in different age-group is provided to them, they will discuss with the Insurance Company and provide the rates to the SWFS. The Chairman then directed the Member Secretary to provide the age group wise database available with the e-governance cell of the Directorate General of shipping to enable the company to submit the different age group wise insurance premium amount.
- 7. The Chairman also requested the representative of the insurance broking company to discuss and negotiate with other Public Sector General Insurance Companies also and provide the comparative rates to select one or two firms for the proposed scheme.
- 8. The company representative ensured to provide the age-group wise Group Medical Insurance Premium rates at the earliest.
- 9. The Chairman then discussed with other Committee members and informed that after getting the comparative insurance premium rates for different age group of seafarers the matter can be taken up again for further discussions.
- 10. Due to other prefixed urgent meeting, the Chairman decided to adjourn the meeting and directed the Member Secretary to place the other issues of the agenda i.e. the recommendations of the Welfare Sub-Committee regarding amendments to "Survival Benefit Scheme" and "Invalidity Benefit Scheme" to be place in the next COM meeting.

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure-1

Members present at the 93rd meeting (special COM meeting) of the Committee of Management of Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (SWFS) held on 24.03.2022 at Mumbai.

1. Shri. Amitabh Kumar, IRS Chairman Director General of Shipping & Secretary to Govt. of India 2. Shri. Kumar Sanjay Bariar, Vice Chairman Addl. Director General Of Shipping 3. Shri. Subhash Barguzer, Member Secretary Dy. Director General Of Shipping 4. Shri A. Sinha, IRS Special Invitee Dy. Director General Of Shipping (Crew) 5. Capt. S.M. Halbe On behalf of Capt. M.K. Patankar 6. Capt. Philip Mathews Member 7. Capt. Pramod Kumar On behalf of Shri Vikram Dingle 8. Shri. Abdulgani Y Serang Member 9. Shri. Amarsingh Thakur Member 10. Capt. Rajesh Tandon Co-opted Member 11. Capt. Sankalp Shukla Co-opted Member 12. Capt. Mahesh Yadav Guest