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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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Subject: Welfare Schemes Administered by Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (SWFS) for Indian Seafarers - reg.

The Directorate General of Shipping (DGS), an attached office under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW), Government of India, serves as the apex maritime authority responsible for the development, regulation, and promotion of the Indian shipping industry. Since its establishment in 1949, the DGS has played a pivotal role in formulating and implementing shipping policies, maritime safety regulations, and standards for maritime education and training.

2. The Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (SWFS), a central organization registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, and the Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950, operates under the administrative purview of the Directorate General of Shipping. As provided under Section 101 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, the SWFS manages the Seafarers' Welfare Fund, which is dedicated to providing a wide array of welfare services and support mechanisms for Indian seafarers and their families, both in India and abroad.

3. The SWFS is governed by a Committee of Management (CoM) comprising representatives from Indian and foreign shipowners, seafarers' unions, and government nominees, and is chaired by the Director General of Shipping. The Society is responsible for funding welfare infrastructure, providing grants, acquiring assets, and implementing various physical and digital welfare enhancement projects.

4. In accordance with the objectives outlined in Article 3 (XV) of the Society's Memorandum of Association, financial assistance may be granted to Indian seafarers who meet the eligibility criteria specified in Rule 3 of the Society's regulations. Assistance to seafarers and their families are provided under the following schemes:

1. **Survivor Benefit Scheme (SBS)** - Financial assistance to the family of a deceased Indian seafarer

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2. **Invalidity Benefit Scheme (IBS)** - Support for Indian seafarers declared permanently unfit for sea service
 3. **Family Benefit Welfare Scheme (FBWS)** - Effective from January 1, 2019, this scheme provides support to dependent families of seafarers
 4. **Maternity Benefit Scheme (MBS)** - Financial assistance for Indian women seafarers during maternity
 5. **Old Age Benefit Welfare Scheme (OABS)** - Assistance for seafarers who attain the age of 65 years on or after January 1, 2019
 6. **Death on Board Benefit Scheme (DBBS)** - Support in cases of death or presumed death occurring on board
 7. **Ex-Gratia Support Benefit Scheme (ESBS)** - Additional financial aid for specific cases of hardship
 8. **Award to Meritorious Child of Seafarers (AMCS)** - Educational incentives for children of Indian seafarers
5. All Recruitment and Placement Services (RPS) agencies, shipping companies, seafarers' unions, welfare associations, Maritime Training Institutes (MTIs) and other relevant stakeholders are hereby advised to:
- Disseminate the information provided in this circular to both active and retired Indian seafarers
 - Assist eligible beneficiaries in accessing application forms and related scheme documentation
 - Encourage seafarers' families to keep their contact and banking details updated with the Seafarers Welfare Fund Society (SWFS)
6. Details of eligibility criteria, required documentation and application procedures for each scheme may be obtained from following:
1. Attached as **enclosure (copy enclosed)** to this circular
 2. Available on the official website of the DG Shipping (<https://www.dgshipping.gov.in>)
 3. Obtained from the SWFS Office
Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (SWFS)
Nau Bhavan Building, Ground Floor, R. K. Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai-400 001
Tel No. 022 - 20826980, 22626981, Email: swfs1966@gmail.com / swfs.dgs@govcontractor.in
7. This is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping.


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Enclosure(s): As above

Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society

Existing Welfare Schemes details for Seafarers and to their families

	Scheme Name	Scheme details in brief	Financial Assistance	Application form	Due Date for receipt of application
1	Survivor Benefit Scheme (SBS)	Seafarer who died within 24 months from the date of sign-off from last vessel. *For full details- SBS_Details *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	SBS_Form	Applications to be submitted by the nominee declared by the deceased seafarer for last voyage, <u>within 3 years from the date of death</u>
2	Invalidity Benefit Scheme for Indian (IBS)	Seafarers who became permanently unfit / loss of limb, due to accidental injury, which occurred within 24 months from the date of sign-off from last vessel. *For full details- IBS_Details *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	IBS_Form	Application to be submitted by the seafarer <u>within 3 years from date of Permanent Disability Certificate</u> , issued by D.G. approved medical practitioner.
3	Family Benefit Welfare Scheme (FBWS)	Seafarers can claim for their children (upto max 2 children) on successful completion of: a) Pre-sea training course OR b) Two years full time Post-Graduation Degree/Diploma courses (other than Maritime stream) from any recognized university. *For full details- FBS_Rules *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	i) for Pre-sea Training Course form ii) for PG_Degree / Diploma	Application to be submitted <u>within 1 year after completion of course.</u>
4	Maternity Benefit Scheme (MBS)	For female seafarers: for childbirth on or after 21/08/2014. *For full details- MBS_Rules *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	MBS_Form	Application to be submitted <u>within 2 years from date of delivery.</u>
5	Old Age Benefit Scheme (OABS)	Seafarers who complete 65 years & performed minimum 6 months sea service between age of 55 to 60 years and have been engaged through Indian shipping company / RPSL Company . *For full details- OABS_Rules *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	OABS_form	Application to be submitted <u>within 1 year form the date of completion of 65 years.</u>

6	Death on Board Benefit Scheme (DBBS)	Seafarers holding Indian CDC and employed /engaged by Indian Shipping Company/ Registered RPSL Company and deceased while on duty (on Board) or missing & presumed dead on or after 12.03.2025. *For full details- <u>DBBS_rules</u> *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	<u>DBBS_form</u>	Application to be submitted <u>within a specified period (to be decided say 3 months.)</u>
7	Ex-Gratia Support Benefit Scheme (ESBS) for stranded / abandoned seafarers family	Seafarers who are stranded/abandoned by their owners/employers/RPSL, the next of kin/nominee will receive financial support for the period, seafarer is stranded or for a maximum period of 12 months, whichever is earlier. The benefit to start 2 months after it is established that the seafarer has been abandoned. Effective from 12.03.2025. *For full details- <u>ESBS_rules</u> *	As per attached form for the Scheme.	<u>ESBS_form</u>	Application to be submitted <u>within 1 month immediately after the declaration of abandonment by the D.G. Shipping.</u>
8	Award to the Meritorious Child of the Seafarers (AMCS)	Monetary awards to the children of seafarers who tops (who gets first rank in full University) in full time final degree / Post-Graduation Degree course (other than Maritime related stream) from a recognized Indian University. Effective from 12.03.2025. *For full details- <u>AMCS_rules</u>	As per attached form for the Scheme.	<u>AMCS_form</u>	Application to be submitted <u>within 2 months from the declaration / confirmation from university, about topping</u> in final year degree examination/final year post-graduation degree exam from Indian University.



SURVIVOR BENEFIT SCHEME

DETAILS OF THE 'SURVIVOR BENEFIT SCHEME' FOR THE NOMINEES OF THE DECEASED INDIAN SEAFARER, WHO DIED DURING OFF ARTICLE PERIOD.

1. Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (herein after referred to as the Society) as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the nominee(s) of the Indian seafarer, as being eligible in terms of provisions of rule 3 herein below, may be granted the financial assistance under the 'Survivor Benefit Scheme', on death of the *Indian* seafarer under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.

2. Such financial assistance on death of an *Indian* seafarer shall be granted at the absolute discretion of the society and such financial assistance may be dispensed with and / or curtailed /enhanced, suspended or completely withdrawn at any time without any prior notice. The availability of such *financial assistance under the 'Survivor Benefit Scheme'* to eligible *beneficiary(ies)* of deceased Indian seafarer, during off articulated period does not in any manner confer or create any prescriptive right whatsoever and shall not be called in question.

3. Eligibility.

The scheme is applicable to the *Indian* seafarers, *holding CDC book*, who are *last* recruited / engaged by the Indian ship-owners or through registered RPS, for either Indian or foreign flag vessels, before their death.

The financial assistance under the 'Survivor Benefit Scheme' on death of an *Indian* seafarer shall be paid to the eligible beneficiary (ies), of the *Indian* seafarer who has expired on or after 21.08.2014, **within off article period of 12 months (amended to 24 months w.e.f. 31/05/2022)** from the date of sign off from the last vessel/ship *as recruited/engaged above*. The eligible beneficiary (ies), will be as per the nomination(s) declared by the Indian seafarer with the last recruited Indian ship-owner or registered RPS company, as the case maybe during his/her employment, prior to his/her death., *failing which as per legal heir certificate issued by the competent authority*.

4. Quantum.

The quantum of financial assistance under this scheme shall be ₹.1, 00,000/- (₹One lakh only) to the eligible beneficiary (ies) of the *Indian* seafarer. **(Refer note given below)**

5. The Society may approach the Indian ship-owners /registered RPS, company concerned and obtain such particulars as may be necessary for the purpose of payment of financial assistance envisaged under this scheme.

6. To receive the benefit under this scheme only such applications will be entertained *which* are submitted to Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society within a period of two years upto 30/05/2022 and three years for death of seafarer which occurred on or after 31/05/2022 from the date of death of the *Indian* seafarer.

7. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form, along with attested copy of death certificate and original CDC book.

8. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful/disputed and/or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management *of the SWFS* may examine and decide the cases, on case to case basis, and its decision shall be final.

Note 1 : The amount of financial assistance has been enhanced to ₹. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lacs only) w.e.f. 16/03/2016 for those death cases of seafarer who has expired on or after 16.03.2016 within off article period of 12 months from the date of sign off from the last vessel/ship as recruited/engaged by Indian Shipping company or through RPSL company.

Note 2 : The amount of financial assistance has been enhanced to ₹. 4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lacks only) w.e.f. 29/04/2024 for those death cases of seafarer who has expired on or after 29/04/2024, within off article period of 24 months from the date of sign off from the last vessel/ship as recruited/engaged by Indian Shipping company or through RPSL company.



SEAFARERS' WELFARE FUND SOCIETY

(Autonomous Body of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Government of India)
(Registered Charitable Trust-Regn. No.F/1364/BOM)

Nau Bhavan Building, Ground Floor, R. K. Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai-400 001
Tel.No. 022 - 20826980, 22626981, Email: swfs1966@gmail.com

APPLICATION FORM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER 'SURVIVOR BENEFIT SCHEME'

(Please refer notes given below before submitting this application form.)

1. Seafarer's name in full : Mr./Mrs./Ms.: _____
(As per CDC Book)
2. CDC Number : _____
3. The name of the vessel last : _____ Date of sign-off: _____
sign-off
4. Indian shipowners Co. name : _____
OR Recruitment & Placement : _____
Service (RPS) provider name : _____
& its Registration No. : _____
5. Applicant's name in full : _____
6. Relationship with seafarer : _____
7. Correspondence address : _____
Of the applicant
8. Telephone No./Mobile No. : Tel. No. _____ Mobile No.: _____
(with STD code No.)

I, the undersigned, wish to inform you that my husband/wife/son/daughter /father/mother
Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ expired on _____.
(Delete whichever is not applicable.)

I, now request you to grant me, the financial assistance under the 'Survivor Benefit Scheme' as per SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am submitting herewith following documents, to receive the claim under the scheme. I give below my Bank account details. **(Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.)**

- (a) Attested copy of death certificate of the seafarer.
- (b) Original latest CDC book
- (c) Attested copy of any Identity proof of the applicant (i.e. PAN card/Voter's ID card/Aadhar Card/Indian passport etc.)

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited:
(Attach a legible copy of front page of Bank pass book of SB account, to verify the details.)

Name of the Bank	Branch Name	Branch Address	S.B. A/c.No.	Branch IFSC Code

(Note: Attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account showing applicant's name, duly attested by the Branch Manager of the bank.)

I declare that, I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted above, and at later date, if it is found, that I am not the actual beneficiary, or my claim was found dishonest, I undertake to refund the financial assistance in full to the SWF Society.

Place: _____
(Applicant's Signature/ Thumb Impression)

Date: _____ Name of Applicant: _____

Note:

- 1: The scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers for cases of death on or after 21.08.2014.
- 2: The scheme is applicable to cases of death of seafarer within 12 months from the date of sign-off from the last vessel, as recorded in the Indian CDC Book.
- 3: The application for financial assistance should be received by the Society within two years period from the date of death of the seafarer.

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Application No. _____

Documents attached verified & the applicant found eligible/not eligible under 'Survivor Benefit Scheme' for financial assistance of ₹. _____ (Rupees _____ Only)

Checked by D.A.

Verified by (A.A.O.)

Recommended by (CAAO)

Approved by MT/MS.



INVALIDITY BENEFIT SCHEME

DETAILS OF THE 'INVALIDITY BENEFIT SCHEME' FOR THE INDIAN SEAFARER WHO BECOME PERMANENTLY UNFIT FOR SEAFARING PROFESSION DURING OFF ARTICLE PERIOD.

1. Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (herein after referred to as the Society) as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the **Indian** seafarer, as being eligible in terms of provisions of rule 3 herein below, may be granted the financial assistance under the 'Invalidity Benefit Scheme', on becoming permanently unfit for seafaring profession under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.

2. Such financial assistance to for the Indian seafarer, on becoming permanently unfit for seafaring profession shall be paid, at the absolute discretion of the society and such financial assistance, may be dispensed with and / or curtailed /enhanced, suspended or completely withdrawn at any time without any prior notice. The availability of such **financial assistance under the** 'Invalidity Benefit Scheme' to the eligible **Indian** seafarer, during off article period does not in any manner confer or create any prescriptive right whatsoever and shall not be called in question.

3. Eligibility.

The scheme, is applicable to the **Indian** seafarers, **holding CDC book**, and who are **last** recruited / engaged, by Indian ship-owners or through registered RPS, for either Indian or foreign flag vessels, before occurrence of an injury, due to which he/she became permanently unfit for seafaring profession.

The **financial assistance under the** 'Invalidity Benefit Scheme' shall be granted to the **Indian** seafarer, who has become permanently unfit, for the seafaring profession, due to an injury that occurred on or after 21.08.2014, during off article period of 12 months (amended to 24 month w.e.f. 31/05/2022), from the date of sign off from the last vessel/ship, as recruited/engaged above.

4. Quantum.

The quantum of financial assistance under this scheme shall be ₹.1,00,000/- (₹One lakh only) to the eligible **Indian** seafarer. (Refer Note given below.)

5. The Society may approach the Indian ship-owners /registered RPS, company concerned and obtain such particulars as may be necessary for the purpose of payment of financial assistance envisaged under this scheme.

6. To receive the benefit under this scheme only such applications will be entertained **which** are submitted to Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society within a period of **two** years upto 30/05/2022 and for accidental injury which occurred on or after 31/05/2022 the time limit is increased to three years from the date of certificate issued by the DGS approved medical practitioner.

7. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form, along with the certificate issued by the DGS approved Medical Practitioner certifying the **Indian** seafarer 'Permanently Unfit' for the seafaring profession due to injury, **copy of discharge card/certificate and medical report card issued by the hospital (where the said Indian seafarer was admitted for the treatment)** and original CDC Book.

8. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful/disputed and/or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management **of the SWF Society** may examine and decide, on case to case basis, and its decision shall be final.

Note 1: The amount of financial assistance has been enhanced to Rs. 200000/- (Rupees Two lacs only) w.e.f. 16/03/2016 for the seafarer, where the injury to the seafarer has occurred on or after 16.03.2016, within off article period of 12 months from the date of sign off from the last vessel/ship.

Note 1: The amount of financial assistance has been enhanced to Rs. 6,00,000/- (Rupees Six lacs only) w.e.f. 29/04/2024 for the seafarer, where the injury to the seafarer has occurred on or after 29/04/2024, within off article period of 24 months from the date of sign off from the last vessel/ship.

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SEAFARERS' WELFARE FUND SOCIETY.

NOU BHAVAN, GROUND FLOOR, R.KAMANI MARG,
BALLARD ESTATE, MUMBAI - 400 001

APPLICATION FORM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER 'INVALIDITY BENEFIT SCHEME'.

(Please refer notes given below before submitting this application form.)

Seafarer's name in Full (As per CDC Book)	Mr./Mrs./Ms.
CDC Book Number	
Indian shipowners Co. name OR Recruitment & Placement Service (RPS) provider Name & Regn. No	
The name and date of the vessel last sign-off	
Correspondence address	
Telephone No. (with STD Code) / Mobile No.	Tel. No. _____ Mobile No. _____

I, the undersigned, have become **PERMANENTLY UNFIT**, for seafaring profession due to an accidental injury which took place on _____.

I now request you to grant me, financial assistance under the 'Invalidity Benefit Scheme', as per SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am submitting herewith following documents, to receive the claim under the scheme. I give below my Bank account details. (**Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.**)

Sr. No.	Document
1	Original latest Indian CDC Book of the Indian seafarer showing last sign-off vessel name and date.
2	Attested copy of latest Indian CDC Book
3	Original certificate issued by the DGS approved Medical Practitioner certifying the Indian seafarer "Permanently Unfit" for the seafaring profession due to injury.
4	Attested copy of discharge card/certificate and medical report card issued by the hospital (where the Indian seafarer was admitted for the treatment.)

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited (mandatory)

Name of the bank	Branch name	Branch address	S.B. A/c no.	Branch IFSC code

(Note: Please attach a legible copy of the Front page of Bank Pass Book of SB Account showing applicant's name, duly attested by the Branch Manager of the Bank.)

I declare that I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted as above, and at later date if it is proved that I am not Permanently Unfit for seafaring profession or my claim was found fraudulent, I undertake to refund the financial assistance in full to the SWF Society and also authorize the SWF Society to recover the same from me from my any source of Income.

Place: _____
(Applicant's Signature/ Thumb Impression)

Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Note 1: This scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers, holding CDC book and effective from 21.08.2014 & hence date of injury should be on or after 21.08.2014.

Note 2: The date of injury of seafarer should be within 12 months period from the date of sign-off from the last vessel as recorded in the Indian CDC Book.

Note 3: The application for financial assistance should receive by the Society within two years period from the date of certificate issued by the DGS approved medical practitioner.

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Application No. _____ Documents attached

verified & the applicant found eligible/not eligible under Invalidity benefit scheme for financial assistance of
₹. _____ (₹. _____ only)

Checked by D.A.

Verified by (A.A.O.)

Recommended by (CAAO)

Approved by MT/MS



**DETAILS OF THE "FAMILY BENEFIT WELFARE SCHEME" FOR THE INDIAN SEAFARERS
WITH EFFECT FROM 01.01.2019.**

1. Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (hereinafter referred to as the Society) as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the Indian seafarer as being eligible in terms of provisions of the rule 3 herein below, may be provided the financial assistance under "FAMILY BENEFIT WELFARE SCHEME" from 1st January 2019 under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.

2. Such financial assistance to the Indian seafarer shall be provided, for the successful completion of Pre-sea training course or Post-graduation degree/diploma as given below, by their son/daughter. At the absolute discretion of the society such financial assistance, may be dispensed with and / or curtailed or enhanced, suspended or completely withdrawn at any time without any prior notice. The availability of such financial assistance under the "Family Benefit welfare scheme" to the eligible Indian seafarer does not in any manner confer or create any prescriptive right whatsoever and shall not be called in question.

3. Such financial assistance shall be provided to the Indian seafarer-

(a) Whose son/daughter successfully completes the Pre-sea training course (GP rating/ CCMC/Deck & Engine Cadet including ETO), on or after 1.1.2019, from the Institute approved by the Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India and obtains the Indian CDC for joining seafaring profession.

(b) Whose son/daughter successfully completes two years full-time post-graduation degree/diploma in any discipline other than Maritime stream, on or after 1.1.2019, from duly approved University by UGC/Deemed University/AICTE approved institute.

4. **Eligibility:** The scheme is applicable to the Indian seafarer, who fulfils all the following conditions and is restricted to two children only.

(i) He / She should have cumulative 6 months sea service after 01 .04.2014, preceding five years from the date of submission of claim application.

(ii) He / She should have joined Indian flag vessel or engaged through registered RPS License holding company on Indian or Foreign flag vessel; and

(iii) He / She should have an Indian CDC.

5. Quantum:

The quantum of financial assistance under this scheme shall be as under.

(a) Where Indian Seafarer's son/daughter completes the Pre-sea training course & obtains the Indian CDC, the financial assistance under this scheme shall be Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty five Thousand Only) in respect of son & Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only) in respect of daughter and it will be provided to the seafarer.

(b) Where Indian Seafarer's son/daughter completes the two years full time post-graduation degree/diploma course in any discipline other than Maritime stream, the financial assistance under this scheme shall be Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) in respect of son & Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only) in respect of daughter and it will be provided to the seafarer.

6. The Society may approach the Indian ship-owners/registered RPS Company concerned to obtain such particulars as may be necessary, for the purpose of payment of financial assistance envisaged under this scheme.

7. To receive the benefit under this scheme only such applications will be entertained which are submitted to the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society within a period of twelve months after completion of course.

8. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form along with self - attested copy of latest CDC book & copies of certificates.

9. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful/disputed and/or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management of the SWFS may examine and decide the cases, on case to case basis and its decision shall be final.

Note 1 : The Committee of Management (COM) in its meeting dated 12/03/2025 has decided to provide the same amount, at par to the Children of seafarers. i.e. (i) Rs. 50,000/- for completion of pre-sea training course & (ii) Rs. 25,000/- for passing post-graduate two years full time degree / diploma from the University approved by the UGC / Deemed University / AICTE approved institute w.e.f. 01/04/2025. The other terms & conditions of this 'Family Benefit Schemes' remains same.



SEAFARERS' WELFARE FUND SOCIETY.

NAU BHAVAN, GROUND FLOOR, R, KAMANI MARG, BALLARD ESTATE, MUMBAI - 400 001

**APPLICATION FORM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER
'FAMILY BENEFIT SCHEME'**

**(ON COMPLETION OF POST-GRADUATE DEGREE/DIPLOMA COURSE BY SON / DAUGHTER)
(Please refer notes given on next page before submitting this application form.)**

1.	Seafarer's name in full (As per CDC Book)	:Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____	
2.	CDC number		
3.	Name of Son/Daughter (for whom claim submitted)		
4.	Post-Graduation Degree/Diploma Obtained (Two years Full time course)		
5.	Name of University/Institute		
6.	Date of completion of course		
7.	The Name of the vessel last Sign-off by the seafarer	:Date of sign-off	
8.	Indian ship-owners Co. name OR Recruitment & Placement Service (RPS) provider name RPSL No. & it's Registration No		
9.	Correspondence address		
10.	Telephone No/Mobile No.		
11.	E-mail address		

I, wish to inform you that my son / daughter Mr./Ms _____ has successfully completed the _____ (name of the two years full time Post-graduate Degree/Diploma course) form _____ (name of University / Deemed University approved by UGC/Institute approved by AICTE).

I now request you to grant me, the financial assistance under the 'Family Benefit Scheme' SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am supporting herewith following document, to receive the claim under the scheme.

- (a) Self - attested copy of latest CDC book (of the applicant seafarer).
- (b) Self -attested copy of the Certificate issued by the University / Institute, which is approved by UGC / AICTE, along with the copy of mark sheet.

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I give below my Bank account details. (Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.)

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited (mandatory):

Name of the bank	Branch Name	Branch address	S.B. A/c no.	Branch IFSC code

(Note: Attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account Or original cancelled cheque showing applicant's name and bank details)

I declare that I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted as above, and at later date, if it is proved, that I am not the actual beneficiary, or my claim was found dishonest, I undertake to refund the financial assistance in full to the SWF Society.

Place : _____

Date : _____

(Applicant's Signature or Thumb Impression)

Name of Applicant: _____

Note 1: This scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers, whose son/daughter successfully completed the two years post graduate degree / diploma course on or after 1.1.2019 from the UGC approved University / AICTE approved Institute.

Note 3: The applicant seafarer should have Indian CDC and has performed cumulative six months sea service after 1.4.2014, preceding five years from the date of submission of claim application, form India flag vessel or engaged through registered RPS License holding company on Indian / Foreign Flag vessel.

Note 2: The application for financial assistance should be received by the Society within twelve months period from the date of successful completion of course.

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Application No. _____

Documents attached verified and the applicant found eligible / not eligible under 'Family Benefit Scheme' for financial assistance of Rs. _____. (Rs. _____ only)

Checked by D.A.

Verified by (A.A.O.)

Recommended by (CAAO)

Approved by MT/MS.



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APPLICATION FORM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER FAMILY BENEFIT SCHEME'

(ON COMPLETION OF PRE-SEA TRAINING COURSE BY SON / DAUGHTER OF SEAFARER)

(Please refer notes given on next page before submitting this application form.)

1. Seafarer's name in full : Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
(As per CDC Book)
2. CDC number : _____
3. Name of Son/Daughter : _____
(for whom claim submitted)
4. Pre-Sea training course & Institute Name : _____
5. Date of completion of course : _____
6. CDC No. of son/daughter : _____
7. Date of sign-off : _____
8. Indian ship-owners Co. name
OR Recruitment & Placement M/s. _____
Service (RPS) provider name
RPSL No. & it's Registration No.
9. Correspondence address : _____
10. Telephone No/Mobile No. : _____
11. E-mail address : _____

I, the undersigned, wish to inform you that my son / daughter has completed the Pre-sea training course on _____ and obtained Indian CDC No. _____ on _____

I now request you to grant me, the financial assistance under the 'Family Benefit Scheme' SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am supporting herewith following document, to receive the claim under the scheme.

- (c) Self - attested copy of latest CDC book (of the applicant seafarer).
- (d) Self -attested copy of the Certificate for completion of Pre-sea training course, issued by the Institute, which is approved by the Directorate General of Shipping.
- (e) Self-attested copy of the Indian CDC Book obtained by the Seafarer's son/daughter.

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I give below my Bank account details. (Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.)

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited (mandatory) :

Name of the bank	Branch Name	Branch address	S.B. A/c no.	Branch IFSC code

(Note: Attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account Or original cancelled cheque showing applicant's name and bank details)

I declare that I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted as above, and at later date, if it is proved, that I am not the actual beneficiary, or my claim was found dishonest, I undertake to refund the financial assistance in full to the SWF Society.

Place: _____

Date: _____

(Applicant's Signature or Thumb Impression)

Name of Applicant: _____

Note 1: This scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers; whose son/daughter has successfully completed the pre-sea training course on or after 1.1.2019 from the DGS approved Institute and obtained the Indian CDC for pursuing the seafaring profession.

Note 2: The application for financial assistance should be received by the Society within twelve months period from the date of successful completion of course.

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Application No. _____

Documents attached verified and the applicant found eligible / not eligible under 'Family Benefit Scheme' for financial assistance of Rs. _____. (Rs. _____ only)

Checked by D.A.

Verified by (A.A.O.)

Recommended by (CAAO)

Approved by MT/MS.

MATERNITY BENEFIT SCHEME

DETAILS OF THE 'MATERNITY BENEFIT SCHEME' FOR THE INDIAN FEMALE SEAFARER.

1. Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (herein after referred to as the Society) as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the *Indian female* seafarer, as being eligible in terms of provisions of rule 3 herein below, may be granted the financial assistance under the 'Maternity Benefit Scheme', under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.

2. Such financial assistance under the 'Maternity Benefit Scheme' to the *Indian female* seafarer, shall be paid at the absolute discretion of the society and such financial assistance may be dispensed with and / or curtailed /enhanced, suspended or completely withdrawn at anytime without any prior notice. The availability of *such financial assistance under the 'Maternity Benefit Scheme'* to eligible *Indian female* seafarer, during off article period, does not in any manner confer or create any prescriptive right whatsoever and shall not be called in question.

3. Eligibility.

The scheme is applicable to *those Indian female* seafarers, *holding CDC book*, who are *last* recruited / engaged by the Indian shipowners or through registered RPS, for either Indian or foreign flag vessels, before the delivery date.

The *financial assistance under* the 'Maternity Benefit Scheme' shall be granted to the *Indian female* seafarer, for delivery, on or after 21.08.2014, within off articulated period of 60 months, from the last sign-off from ship.

Such *financial* assistance shall be paid, only for two deliveries, to the eligible *Indian female* seafarer.

4. Quantum.

The quantum of financial assistance under this scheme shall be ₹.25,000/- (₹Twenty five thousands only) to the eligible *Indian female* seafarer, restricted to maximum of two deliveries.

5. The Society may approach the Indian ship-owners /registered RPS Company concerned and obtain such particulars as may be necessary for the purpose of payment of financial assistance envisaged under this scheme.

6. To receive the *financial assistance* under this scheme, only such applications will be entertained, *which* are submitted to the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society, within a period of *two* years, from the date of delivery.

7. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form, alongwith attested copy of Birth Certificate of the Child/ report of the medical practitioner and original CDC Book.

8. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful/disputed and/or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management *of the SWF Society* may examine and decide on case to case basis, and its decision shall be final.

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Ballard Estate, Mumbai-400 001

Application form for Financial Assistance under 'Maternity Benefit Scheme'

(Please refer notes given below before submitting this application form.)

1.	Indian woman Seafarers' Name in full (As per her CDC Book)	Mrs./Ms.
2.	Indian CDC Book number	
3.	Indian ship-owners co. name or Recruitment & Placement Service (RPS) provider Name & Regn. No.	
4.	The Name of the Vessel last signed off	
5.	Correspondence address	
6.	Contact No. & email-id	

I, the undersigned, has undergone pregnancy delivery which took place on _____.

I now request you to grant me, financial assistance under the 'Maternity Benefit Scheme', as per SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am submitting herewith following documents, to receive the claim under the scheme. I give below my bank account details (Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed).

Sr. No.	Documents
1	Attested copy of birth Certificate of Child
2	Original latest Indian CDC Book of the Indian woman seafarer showing last sign-off vessel and date
3	Attested copy of latest Indian CDC Book

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited (mandatory)				
Name of the bank	Branch name	Branch address	S.B. A/c no.	Branch IFSC code

(Note: Please attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account showing applicant's name, duly attested by the Branch Manager of the bank.)

I declare that I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted as above, and at later date if it is proved that I was not eligible, I undertake to refund the financial assistance received from SWFS, in full to the SWF Society and also authorize the SWF Society to recover the same from me from my any source of Income.

Place: _____

Date: _____

_____ (Applicant's Signature/ Thumb Impression)

Name of Applicant: _____

Note 1: This scheme is applicable only for Indian woman seafarer holding CDC book and is effective from 21.08.2014 & hence date of pregnancy delivery should be on or after 21.08.14. The financial assistant under this scheme is restricted only for two pregnancy deliveries.

Note 2: The date of pregnancy delivery should have taken place within sixty months from the date of sign-off from the last vessel as recorded in the Indian CDC Book.

Note 3: The application for financial assistance should receive by the Society within two years period from the date of birth of the child.

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Application No.

Documents attached verified & the applicant found eligible/not eligible under Maternity benefit scheme for financial assistance of ₹. _____. (Rupees _____ only)

Checked by D.A. Verified by (A.A.O.) Recommended by (CAAO) Approved by MT/MS.

**DETAILS OF THE "OLD AGE BENEFIT" WELFARE SCHEME FOR THE INDIAN SEAFARERS
WHO ATTAINS THE AGE OF 65 YEARS ON 1.1.2019 OR THEREAFTER**

1. Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (hereinafter referred to as the Society) as defined in Article 3 (XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the Indian seafarer as being eligible in terms of provisions of the rule 3 herein below, may be provided the financial assistance under "OLD AGE BENEFIT" welfare scheme" to the Indian seafarer who attains the age of 65 years on 1st January 2019 or thereafter under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.
2. Such financial assistance to the Indian seafarer on attaining 65 years on 1st January 2019 or thereafter shall be provided. At the absolute discretion of the society such financial assistance, may be dispensed with and / or curtailed or enhanced, suspended or completely withdrawn at anytime without any prior notice. The availability of such financial assistance under the "Old Age Benefit" welfare scheme to the eligible Indian seafarer does not in any manner confer or create any prescriptive right whatsoever and shall not be called in question
3. **Eligibility**
The scheme is applicable to Indian seafarer who attains the age of 65 (sixty-five) years on 1st January 2019 or thereafter and fulfills all the following conditions:
 - (i) He / She should have last performed cumulative 6 months (six months) sea service after 01.04.2014 after the age of 55 years;
 - (ii) He / She should have joined Indian flag vessel or engaged through registered RPS License holding company on Indian or Foreign flag vessels and
 - (iii) He / She should have an Indian CDC, which has been duly cancelled.
4. **Quantum**
The quantum of financial assistance under this scheme shall be Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only) to the eligible Indian seafarer.
5. The Society may approach the Indian ship-owner / registered RPS company concerned to obtain such particulars as may be necessary, for the purpose of payment of financial assistance envisaged under this scheme.
6. To receive the benefit under this scheme only such applications will be entertained which are submitted to the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society within a period of twelve months after attaining the age of sixty-five years.
7. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form along with original latest CDC book.
8. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful / disputed and / or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management of the SWFS may examine and decide the cases, on case-to-case basis and its decision shall be final.



SEAFARERS' WELFARE FUND SOCIETY.

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MUMBAI - 400 001

**APPLICATION FORM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER
OLD AGE BENEFIT SCHEME'**

(Please refer notes given on next page before submitting this application form.)

1. Seafarer's name in full : Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
(As per CDC Book)
2. CDC number & CDC Cancellation order no & date : _____
3. Date of Birth as per CDC : _____
4. The name of the vessel last sign-off : _____
Date of sign-off _____
5. Indian ship-owners Co. name OR Recruitment & Placement Service (RPS) provider name M/s. _____
RPSL No. & it's Registration No. : _____
6. Correspondence address : _____
7. Telephone No/Mobile No. : _____
- 8 E-mail address : _____

I, the undersigned, wish to inform you that I have completed by 65 years (Sixty five Years) of age on _____

I now request you to grant me, the financial assistance under the 'old Age Benefit Scheme' SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am supporting herewith following document, to receive the claim under the scheme.

- (f) Original latest CDC book / Self – attested copy of CDC Book.
- (g) CDC Cancellation order copy.

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I give below my Bank account details. (Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.)

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited (mandatory) :

Name of the bank	Branch Name	Branch address	S.B. A/c no.	Branch IFSC code

(Note: Attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account Or original cancelled cheque showing applicant's name and bank details)

I declare that I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted as above, and at later date, if it is proved, that I am not the actual beneficiary, or my claim was found dishonest, I undertake to refund the financial assistance in full to the SWF Society.

Place: _____

Date: _____

(Applicant's Signature or Thumb Impression)

Name of Applicant: _____

Note 1: This scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers, holding Indian CDC and has completed his/her 65 years of age on or after 1st January, 2019 and has last performed cumulative six months sea service after 1.4.2014 after the age of 55 years.

Note 2: The application for financial assistance should be received by the Society within a period of twelve months after attaining the age of sixty five years.

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Documents attached verified and the applicant found eligible / not eligible under ' Old Age Benefit Scheme' for financial assistance of Rs. _____. (Rs. _____ only)

Checked by D.A.

Verified by (A.A.O.)

Recommended by (CAAO)

Approved by MT/MS.

'DEATH ON BOARD BENEFIT SCHEME'

DETAILS OF THE WELFARE SCHEME FOR THE 'DEATH ON BOARD BENEFIT SCHEME' FOR THE NOMINEE/S OF THE DECEASED INDIAN SEAFARER.

1. Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (hereinafter referred to as the 'Society') as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the nominee(s) of the Indian seafarer, as eligible under the provisions of Rule 3 below, may be granted financial assistance under the 'Death on Board Benefit Scheme' for death cases or presumed death cases on board, subject to the circumstances and extent detailed herein.
2. The financial assistance under the 'Death on Board Benefit Scheme' for an Indian seafarer shall be granted at the absolute discretion of the Society. The Society reserves the right to dispense with, curtail, enhance, suspend, or completely withdraw such financial assistance at any time without prior notice.
3. The availability of financial assistance under the 'Death on Board Benefit Scheme' to eligible nominee/ies of a deceased Indian seafarer (death cases or presumed death cases on board) does not confer or create any prescriptive rights whatsoever, and shall not be subject to challenge.
4. **Eligibility.**
 - (i) The scheme is applicable for all Bonafide employed / engaged Indian seafarers holding Indian CDC and is engaged through Indian Shipping Company / Indian Ship-owner on Indian flag vessel or engaged by the Registered RPSL Company on / Indian flag vessel/ foreign flag vessel.
 - (ii) The death of seafarer has occurred while on board and also presumed death cases are also considered under this scheme. This scheme will cover any sort of death occurred on Board,
 - (iii) The Bonafide of the seafarer who expired on board will be confirmed by the concerned Shipping Master, Government Shipping Office/Director Seamen's Employment Office, under whose jurisdiction the shipping company/RPSL company operates.
 - (iv) The application form for this scheme is to be received by the SWFS within a period of 3 (three) months from the date of seafarer / reported missing.
5. **Quantum.** The Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (SWFS) will provide financial assistance in the form of 'Ex-gratia support' of ₹.2,00,000 (Rupees Two Lakhs only) to the nominee of the deceased seafarer, who expired on or after 12th March, 2025, as per the nomination form filed with the company/RPSL company for the concerned vessel on which the death occurred.
6. The Society may approach the Indian shipowners /registered RPS, company concerned and obtain such particulars as may be necessary for the purpose of payment of financial assistance envisaged under this scheme.
7. To receive the benefit under this scheme only such applications will be entertained *which* are submitted to Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society within a period of three months from the date of death of the *Indian* seafarer.
8. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form, along with attested copy of death certificate and original CDC book.
9. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful/disputed and/or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management of the SWFS may examine and decide the cases, on case-to-case basis, and its decision shall be final.



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APPLICATION FORM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER
'DEATH ON BOARD BENEFIT SCHEME'

(Please refer notes given below before submitting this application form.)

1. Seafarer's name in full : Mr./Mrs./Ms.: _____
(As per CDC Book)
2. CDC Number : _____
3. The name of the vessel on Board : _____
Date of sign-on: _____ Death of Death _____
4. Indian shipowners Co. name : _____
OR Recruitment & Placement : _____
Service (RPS) provider name : _____
& its Registration No. : _____
5. Applicant's name in full : _____
6. Relationship with seafarer : _____
7. Correspondence address : _____
Of the applicant _____
8. Telephone No./Mobile No. : Tel. No. _____ Mobile no.: _____
(with STD code No.)

I, the undersigned, wish to inform you that my husband/wife/son/daughter /father/mother Mrs./ Mr. / Ms.
_____ expired on _____ while on board Vessel
_____.

I, now request you to grant me, the financial assistance under the 'Death on Board Benefit Scheme' as per SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am submitting herewith following documents, to receive the claim under the scheme. I give below my Bank account details. **(Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.)**

- (a) Attested copy of death certificate of the seafarer.
- (b) Original latest CDC book /Article of Agreement for engagement of vessel where death occurred.
- (c) Attested copy of any Identity proof of the applicant (i.e. PAN card/Voter's ID card/Aadhar Card/Indian passport etc.)

Details of the bank, where the financial assistance amount to be credited:

(Attach a legible copy of front page of Bank pass book of SB account, to verify the details.)

Name of the Bank	Branch Name	Branch Address	S.B. A/c.No.	Branch IFSC Code

(Note: Attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account showing applicant's name,)

I declare that, I am claiming this financial assistance on the strength of the documents submitted above, and at later date, if it is found, that I am not the actual beneficiary, or my claim was found dishonest, I undertake to refund the financial assistance in full to the SWF Society.

Place: _____
(Applicant's Signature/ Thumb Impression)

Date: _____ Name of Applicant: _____

Note:

1. The scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers holding Indian CDC and is Bonafide engaged through Indian Shipping Company / Indian Ship-owner on Indian flag vessel or engaged by the Registered RPSL company on foreign flag vessel / Indian flag vessel for cases of death on or after 01/04/2025.
2. The scheme is applicable to cases of death of seafarer occurred while on board and also presumed death cases are considered under this scheme.
3. The bonafide of the seafarer who expired on board will be confirmed by the concerned Shipping Master, Government Shipping Office/ Director Seamen's Employment Office, under whose jurisdiction the shipping company/RPSL company operates.
4. The application form for this scheme is to be received by the SWFS within a period of three months

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Application No. _____

Documents attached verified & the applicant found eligible/not eligible under 'Death on Board Benefit Scheme' for financial assistance of ₹. _____ (Rupees _____ Only)

Checked by D.A.

Verified by (A.A.O.)

Recommended by (CAAO)

Approved by MT/MS



EX-GRATIA SUPPORT BENEFIT SCHEME (ESBS)

DETAILS OF THE WELFARE SCHEME 'EX-GRATIA SUPPORT BENEFIT SCHEME' FOR STRANDED / ABANDONED SEAFARERS FAMILY

Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (herein after referred to as the SWF Society) as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the nominee(s) of the Indian seafarer, as being eligible in terms of provisions of rule 3 herein below, may be granted the financial assistance under the 'Ex-Gratia Support Benefit Scheme (ESBS)', under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.

1. Such financial assistance on being stranded / abandoned of an Indian seafarer shall be granted at the absolute discretion of the society and such financial assistance may be dispensed with and / or curtailed / enhanced, suspended or completely withdrawn at any time without any prior notice. The availability of such financial assistance under the 'Ex-Gratia Support Benefit Scheme' to the eligible beneficiary of the stranded/abandoned seafarer does not in any manner confer or create any prescriptive right whatsoever and shall not be called in question.

2. Eligibility.

The financial assistance under the 'Ex-Gratia Support Benefit Scheme' will be paid to the seafarer's next of kin of Standard/abandoned, by their owners/ employers/RPSL till their standard period or maximum of 12 months. The Seafarers Welfare Fund Society will obtain the Bonafide of Stranded seafarers' details from the Shipping Master i.e. from Govt. Shipping Office / Seamen's Employment Office / D.G. Shipping (Crew Branch), & on their confirmation about the date from which the seafarer stranded & the next of kin details / family details, the assistance shall be paid by the SWFS to the next of kin of the stranded seafarers, after two months from the date of being stranded/ abandonment.

3. Quantum.

The quantum of financial assistance under this scheme shall be ₹.10,000/- per month (Rs. Ten Thousand only Per month) or maximum of ₹.1,20,000/- (Rs. One lac Twenty Thousand only) for 12 months period, which will be paid as 'Ex-gratia support' to the Standard seafarer's family till their standard period.

4. The Ex-Gratia Support under this Scheme will be commenced only after 2 months from the date of being stranded/abandonment of seafarer or as directed by the Shipping Master / Director, Seamen's Employment Office / Deputy Director General of Shipping (Crew Branch).

5. For the clarification about stranded and abandonment of seafarers, the Society will follow the definition as given in ILO-MLC Rules.

6. The Seafarers Welfare Fund Society will obtain the Bonafide of Stranded seafarers' details from the Shipping Master i.e. Govt. Shipping Office OR Seamen's Employment Office OR Directorate General of Shipping (Crew Branch), and on their confirmation about the Bonafide employment of the seafarer and the date from which the seafarer stranded / abandoned & the nomination details / family details, the assistance shall be paid by the SWFS to the family of stranded seafarers.

7. Application for financial assistance under this scheme is to be made in the prescribed form along with documents as given in the application form to prove the eligibility and identity and submitted to the SWFS within 2 months from the date of being stranded/abandonment of the seafarer.

8. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above in all doubtful/disputed and/or exceptional cases, the Committee of Management (the COM) of the SWF Society may examine and decide the cases, on case-to-case basis, and its decision shall be final.



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APPLICATION FORM FOR "EX-GRATIA SUPPORT BENEFIT SCHEME (ESBS) FOR FAMILY OF ABANADONED SEAFARERS"

(Please refer notes given on next page before submitting this application form)

<u>PART A : DETAILS OF THE STRANDED/ABANDONED SEAFARER</u>		
1)	Seafarer's Name in full	
2)	CDC Number (Attach copy of relevant page showing CDC No. & Name)	
3)	Date of being stranded/abandoned	
4)	Place/Port & Country where stranded/abandoned	
5)	Name of Vessel	
6)	Details of vessel/owner/shipping Co./RPSL Co. through which seafarer was engage.	
7)	Employment Contract Number & Duration (If available)	
<u>PART B : DETAILS OF NEXT OF KIN / FAMILY MEMBER APPLYING</u>		
1)	Full Name	Mrs. / Mr.
2)	Relationship with Seafarer	
3)	Address for Correspondence	
4)	Contact Number	
5)	Email ID (if any):	
6)	Aadhaar / Voter ID / Other ID Proof Number (Please attach copy of document self- attested)	
<u>PART C : BANK DETAILS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (NEFT/RTGS)</u>		
1)	Name of Account Holder	
2)	Bank Name	
3)	Branch Name & Address	
4)	Account Type & Account Number	
5)	IFSC Code	
(Bank Account should be in the name of applicant and it should be normal saving account) (Copy of Bank Passbook showing name, A/c. details be attached.)		

PART D : DOCUMENTS TO BE ENCLOSED

Please tick the documents attached (self-attested copies):

- Copy of Seafarer's CDC
- Proof of Employment (Contract / Letter of Appointment), if available
- ID Proof of Next of Kin (Aadhaar / Voter ID / Passport etc.)
- Relationship Proof (Birth Certificate / Marriage Certificate etc.)
- Cancelled Cheque / Bank Passbook copy
- Any other supporting documents: _____

PART E : DECLARATION

I, hereby inform you that my son/daughter/spouse Mr./Ms _____ has joined MV _____, IMO no. _____, on _____ and the ship has been abandoned by the owners/operators and my son/daughter/spouse has not been paid salary from _____ (Date). I am in dire need of funds to run my household and request you to provide financial assistance. I understand that financial assistance of Rs.10000 per month will be provided for a maximum of 12 months, or return of seafarer, whichever is earlier.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that all information furnished above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that furnishing false information may result in rejection of the application and/or legal action as per law applicable.

I also acknowledge that the financial assistance under the "Ex-gratia Support Benefit Scheme (ESBS) for family of Abandoned Seafarer, is a purely discretionary support extended by the Seafarers Welfare Fund Society (SWFS) and that no prescriptive right is created through this application.

Signature of the Applicant: _____ (and relation with seafarer)

Name: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

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- Date of Receipt: _____
- Verified by: _____
- Recommendation: _____
- Remarks: _____
- Approved by: _____ Date: _____

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"FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY WAY OF AWARD TO CHILDREN OF SEAFARERS"

1. Objective:

Pursuant to the objects of the Seafarers' Welfare Fund Society (herein after referred to as the Society) as defined in Article 3(XV) of the Memorandum of Association of the Society, the child of the Indian seafarer, as being eligible in terms of provisions of rule 3 herein below, may be granted the '*Financial Assistance by Way of Award*', to recognize and encourage academic excellence among the children of Indian under the circumstances and to the extent detailed herein below.

2. Scope of the Scheme:

The scheme shall cover children of seafarers who secure top position (First Rank) in the following academic categories:

- i. University Graduation Degree
- ii. Post-Graduate Degree examinations from UGC - recognized Indian universities and Deemed Universities

3. Eligibility Criteria:

A. For the Seafarer:

- Must be an Indian seafarer holding Indian CDC.
- Must have completed a minimum of **1 year of service on board Indian or foreign-flag vessels.**
- And must have sailed for **minimum 6 months during past 5 years.**

B. For the Child (Awardee):

- Must be the biological or legally adopted child of the eligible seafarer.
- Must have appeared for and topped the relevant examination in the first attempt.
- Must produce a valid certificate issued by the examination authority confirming the top rank or highest marks.
- Must have completed the course from a recognized institution (as detailed under each category below).

4. Categories and Quantum of Award: ₹.25,000/-

i. University Degree and Postgraduate Exams:

- Award: **Rs. 25,000/-**
- Eligibility:
 - Children topping full-time final year undergraduate or Final Year Post-graduate degree examinations.
 - The course must be from an Indian University recognized by UGC or a Deemed University.
 - Mark sheets, rank certificate, and Bonafide certificates to be submitted as proof.

5. Number of Awards:

- Only **one award per category / per academic year.**
- In case of a tie (equal highest scores), the award may be shared or decided through additional merit-based criteria set by the Committee.
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6. Application Procedure:

- Applications must be submitted by the parent (seafarer) or the student with all required documents.
- Application window: **Within 3 months of the declaration of the examination results.**
- Documents Required:
 - Copy of seafarer's CDC with sea service details.
 - Marksheet and rank certificate of the child who topped the University, issued by the University / Deemed University.

- Bonafide certificate from the institute / University.
- Birth certificate of the Child for relationship proof.

7. Approval and Disbursement:

- Applications will be screened by the **Welfare Sub-Committee**.
- Recommendations will be forwarded to the **Member Secretary/ Chairman-SWFS** for final approval.
- Approved awards will be disbursed on the **Seafarers Day / NMDC Celebration Ceremony**

8. General Conditions:

- The decision of the Welfare Sub-Committee will be final in all matters relating to selection, eligibility, and disbursement.
- The Committee of Management of the SWFS reserves the right to amend, suspend, or cancel the scheme at any time.



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APPLICATION FORM FOR "FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY WAY OF AWARD TO CHILDREN OF SEAFARERS"

(FOR STANDING FIRST ON COMPLETION OF GRADUATE DEGREE/POST GRADUATE COURSE BY SON/ DAUGHTER)
(Please refer notes given on next page before submitting this application form)

1. Seafarer's Details	
1.	Full Name
2.	Indian CDC Number
3.	Indian ship-owners Co. name OR Recruitment & Placement Service (RPS) provider name RPSL No. & it's Registration No.
4.	Sea Service in the Last 5 Years (Months)
5.	Correspondence address
6.	Telephone No. / Mobile No.
7.	Email Address

2. Child's (Awardee's) Details	
1.	Full Name
2.	Date of Birth
3.	Relationship with Seafarer
4.	Course Completed
5.	Degree Level
6.	Name of the Institution/College
7.	Name of the University
8.	Year of examination in which top rank achieved
9.	Rank Secured / Marks Obtained
10.	Date of Result Declaration

3. Documents to be Attached (Tick if attached)

- Copy of Seafarer's CDC with sea service details
- Marksheet of final year examination
- Rank certificate / Certificate confirming top position
- Bonafide certificate from the institution
- Birth certificate / Relationship proof

4. Declaration & Request by the Applicant

I, wish to inform you that my son / daughter Mr./Ms _____ has successfully completed the _____ (name of the Graduate/Post-graduate Degree course) from _____ (name of University / Deemed University approved by UGC/Institute approved by AICTE) and stood First in the final examination conducted in (month)/Year) in the University.

I now request you to grant me, the financial reward of Rs.25,000/- under the 'Award to Children of the Seafarers Scheme' as per SWF Society's rules as applicable for the scheme. I am attaching herewith following document, to receive the claim under the scheme.

- (a) Self - attested copy of latest CDC book (of the applicant seafarer).
- (b) Self -attested copy of the Certificate issued by the University/Deemed University approved by UGC, along with the copy of mark sheet and certificate stating First rank achieved.

I hereby declare that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information or suppression of facts may lead to disqualification from the scheme. I have read the terms and conditions of the scheme and agree to abide by them.

I give below **my Child's Bank account details**. (Bank details are mandatory, without which the application will not be processed.) where the financial assistance to be credited. **(Mandatory)**

(NRE/NRO account is not accepted):

Name of the bank	Branch Name	Branch address	S.B. A/c no	Branch IFSC code

(Note: Attach a legible copy of the front page of Bank pass book of SB account OR original cancelled cheque showing applicant's name and bank details)

Place: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Seafarer (Parent): _____

Signature of the Child: _____

Note 1: This scheme is applicable only for Indian seafarers, whose son/daughter successfully completed the Final Year Undergraduate or final year of post graduate degree course on or after 12.3.2025 from the UGC approved University / Deemed University & has secured first / Top rank in the University.

Note 2: The applicant seafarer should have Indian CDC and has performed cumulative six months sea service after 1.4.2014, preceding five years from the date of submission of claim application, form India flag vessel or engaged through registered RPS License holding company on Indian / Foreign Flag vessel.

Note 3: The application for financial assistance should be received by the Society within three months from the date of declaration of the result.

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Documents attached verified and the applicant found eligible / not eligible under 'Family Benefit Scheme' for financial assistance of Rs. _____. (Rs. _____ only)

Received on: _____

Verified by: _____

Remarks: _____

Officials Decision: Approved Rejected

Date of Approval: _____

Award Disbursed on: _____

Authorized Signature: _____