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नाविक रोजगार कार्यालय/ SEAMEN'S EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

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संख्या: 35004-एमएमडीएमयूएम-14011(12)/31/2025/734/ दिनांक/ Dated: 23.12.2025
2025 23 DEC 2025

सेवा में,

मेसर्स एमथिस्ट मरीन सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड।

यूनिट संख्या 320, सेंटुरा स्क्वायर, प्लॉट संख्या बी-44 और बी-44/ए,

रोड संख्या 27, लैंक्सेस के सामने, वागले एस्टेट, ठाणे (पश्चिम), पिन- 400 604।

विषय: आदेश पत्र ।

महोदय,

इस पत्र के साथ पत्र संख्या 35004-एमएमडीएमयूएम-14011(12)/31/2025 दिनांक 23.12.2025 संलग्न है।

भवदीय,

[Handwritten Signature]

उप निदेशक

कृते निदेशक, नाविक रोजगार कार्यालय

मुंबई।

प्रतिलिपि:-

1. नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुम्बई। [ध्यानार्थ: (क्रू) शाखा]
2. प्रधान अधिकारी, समुद्री वाणिज्य विभाग, मुंबई।
3. नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुम्बई। [ध्यानार्थ: ई-गवर्नेंस सेल]
4. नाविक रोजगार कार्यालय, चेन्नई / कोलकाता।
5. नाविक पाल, मुंबई / चेन्नई / कोलकाता।
6. गार्ड फाइल।



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E-File No. 35004-MMDMUM-14011(12)/31/2025 / 734/2025 Date: 23.12.2025

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ORDER

Whereas, M/s Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd [hereinafter to be referred as "RPS agency"] was issued Recruitment & Placement Service (RPS) License bearing No. RPSL-MUM-162312 valid from 13.02.2025 to 13.02.2030 by the Director, Seamen's Employment Office, Mumbai under Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016.

2. And whereas, it is observed that RPS Agency has failed to comply with the following provisions for the following reasons:

2.1 Whereas, a grievance is reported by Mr. Aman Gothra (25ZM8879) vide email dated 15.07.2025 wherein the seafarer informed that his Form-1 was generated by M/s. Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd (for vessel Afina) as a Trainee wiper. However, he was sent to join onboard another vessel named DARYAMALA, a dead ship in Iran. Further, the seafarer was asked to go onboard another vessel ANA to which seafarer denied and requested for sign off from the vessel. The seafarer has also alleged to have paid an amount of INR 7.10 Lakhs to the local agent and RPS agency. The matter was taken up with the RPS agency, M/s. Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd vide this office email dated 15.07.2025 in response to which RPS agency vide email dated 16.07.2025 informed that the seafarer will be repatriated in couple of days. However, seafarer vide email dated 22.07.2025 informed that no action has been taken for his repatriation. Hence this office vide email dated 22.07.2025 sought present updates from RPS agency regarding safe repatriation of the said seafarer. In response, RPS agency stated that the seafarer visa and tickets are being arranged. And whereas, above is observed to be in violation of Rule 5 of MS (R&PS) Rules, 2016 to be read with MS Notice 11/2024 dated 03.06.2024.

2.2 And whereas, it is observed from DGS Online Form-I record updated by DGS agency that it has updated a total 161 Nos of Form-I records as on 24.07.2025 which are

observed to have been generated in clusters for vessels and thereby, deemed in violation of Rule 5(1)(a) of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment & Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016 and terms of Merchant Shipping Notice No. 11 of 2024 dated 03.06.2024.

2.3 And whereas, upon scrutiny of RPS profile, the following is observed therein:

- (i) Profile details are not updated.
- (ii) Authorized signatory and Management Personnel details are not updated.
- (iii) 44 Nos of Manning Agreements updated.
- (iv) 52 Nos of Ship (vessels) details updated.

And whereas, above is in violation of Rule 5 of MS (R&PS) Rules, 2016 to be read with MS Notice 06 of 2018 dated 11.10.2018.

3. And whereas, submission of RPS agency in the matter was sought vide various e-mails, however, no adequate / appropriate response was ever received from RPS agency in the matter. And therefore, a show cause notice under Rule 12(1) of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016 was issued vide this office letter of even number dated 28.07.2025 for various afore-mentioned violations of said rules. Simultaneously, RPS agency' online privileges in DGS online system to further e-migrate and sign-on the seafarers were suspended w.e.f. 28.07.2025 in terms of provisions of Merchant Shipping Notice No. 11 of 2024 dated 03.06.2024.

3.1 And whereas, RPS agency' response to show cause notice received vide letter dated 28.08.2025 was observed inadequate / not appropriate and therefore, a personal hearing under Rule 12(2) of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016 was scheduled with RPS agency on 29.10.2025 vide this office letter of even number dated 9.10.2025. However, neither any representative of RPS agency reported for the hearing nor any intimation in this regard is received from RPS agency by this office.

4. And whereas, during the course of proceedings this office continued to receive grievances from seafarers against RPS agency, a brief of which is appended below:

4.1 Shri Pawan Kumar bearer of INDoS No. 02DL6058 registered grievance vide online DGS Portal Ref # GRS/SMO(M)/2025/7013 dt 29.09.2025 stating that he was sent to Iran for placement onboard through RPS agency in lieu of service charge. However, he was engaged onboard a different vessel to the one updated in online DGS Master Checker records. Online Form-I record of seafarer has subsequently been deleted / cancelled by RPS agency even though the seafarer remained onboard in foreign waters.

4.2 Shri Sat Gurusharan bearer of INDoS No. 22GM4977 registered grievance vide online DGS Portal Ref # GRS/SMO(M)/2025/7183 dt 16.10.2025 stating that he was

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defrauded by RPS agency by sending him to UK on Seamen's Visa along with some other seafarers but engaged on a land job there.

4.3 Shri Muhammad Galbashar bearer of INDoS No. 25ZM8324 registered grievance vide online DGS Portal Ref # GRS/SMO(M)/2025/7381 dt 08.11.2025 stating that he was sent to Iran for placement onboard through RPS agency in lieu of service charge. However, he was engaged onboard a different vessel to the one updated in online DGS Master Checker records. No response in the matter was ever received from RPS agency and seafarer was repatriated to India at own expenses.

5. Therefore, it is concluded herein that RPS agency has no valid explanation to tender and it is evident from all the above that said RPS agency is guilty of conducting its affairs in violations of Rule 5 in toto of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment & Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016 promulgated vide Gazette Notification GSR No. 169 (E) dated 15.02.2016 and Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour) Rules, 2016.

6. Based upon detailed proceedings conducted in the matter and in view of all the above, the Director Seamen's employment Office exercising the power vested in accordance with Rule 12 of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016 orders following:

6.1 Recruitment and Placement Service (RPS) License bearing No. RPSL-MUM-162312 in respect of M/s Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd is hereby **WITHDRAWN** with immediate effect by the Director, Seamen's Employment Office, Mumbai in terms of Rule 12 of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment & Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016.

6.2 M/s Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd & its associated Directors continue to remain liable for the seafarers who have already been recruited by them and those who are presently serving onboard.

6.3 All concern Directors of RPS agency, M/s Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd (Founders / Past / present) are hereby debarred from carrying out any maritime related activities associated with The Directorate General of Shipping for a period of five (05) years and further recommendation shall be forwarded to Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) for blacklisting of DIN numbers of RPS agency Directors to restrain them to carry out any business activities in India for a period of five (05) years in terms of Merchant Shipping Notice No. 11 of 2024 dated 03.06.2024.

6.4 The submitted Bank Guarantee amounting to INR 15,00,000/-/- (INR Fifteen Lacs Only) of M/s Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd is to be hereby invoked and shall be deposited into Government Account in terms of provisions of Rule 15 of MS (R&PS) Rules. 2016 inter-alia under sub-rule 5(c) of Rule 15 of MS (R&PS) Rules. 2016.

7. If, M/s Amethyst Marine Services Pvt Ltd, feels aggrieved by the order passed herein, may within a period of thirty (30) days of receipt of this order, prefer 1st appeal to the Principal Officer, Mercantile Marine Department, Mumbai, being the First Appellate

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Authority in the matter, in accordance with Rules 19(1) of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016. [It may be noted that Rule 18 mentioned under Rules 19(1) of Merchant Shipping (Recruitment and Placement of Seafarer) Rules, 2016 is to be read as Rule 12 view typographical error in Gazette Notification No. G.S.R. 169 (E) dated 15.02.2016].

8. This issues with the approval of Director, Seamen's Employment Office, Mumbai.



For Director, Seamen's Employment Office
Mumbai.

[Signature]
23/12/2025
Dy. Director

To,

M/s Amethyst Marine Services Private Limited. Unit No. 320, Centura Square, Plot No. B-44 and B-44/A, Road No. 27, Opp. Lanxess, Wagle Estate, Thane (W), Pin- 400 604.

Copy to:

1. The Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai {Kind Attn. DDG(Crew)}, for information
2. The Principal Officer, Mercantile Marine Department, Mumbai, for kind information.
3. The Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai (kind Attn. DDG, E-Governance with request said withdrawn order, for necessary updation of the said RPS License on DGS Website.
4. The Director, Seamen's Employment Office, Kolkata/Chennai
5. The Shipping Master, Mumbai/Kolkata/Chennai.
6. Guard File.