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Subject: <u>Procedures leading to approval/ empanelment as Internal Examiners for Oral Assessment.</u>

The Directorate's Circular No. 46 dated 24.05.2002 as issued by the Engineering branch has laid down minimum requirements for training and subsequent approval/ empanelment of internal examiners for the purpose of conducting written and oral MEO grades of examinations of the Directorate. Issues have been raised time and again as to the extent of evaluation and time period required for assessment of internal examiners. In recent times, it has been observed from the statistics available in the Directorate that over the years there has been a considerable increase in the number of candidates appearing for the various grades of MEO examinations. However, the number of qualified internal examiners especially for the higher grades of examinations (management level i.e. MEO CL-I & MEO CL-II) have not increased commensurately. The reason for the same is the non-recruitment of surveyors in regular service from the year 2002 to 2013. Now, after having filled-up a good number of posts of surveyors on regular basis in the Engineering department, the shortage of internal examiners for the operational level (i.e. MEO CI IV written & oral) examination have been made good. However, for the higher grades (i.e. MEO CI I & II written & oral) of examination, the shortage is likely to further precipitate particularly account of retirement of some senior examiners. There are very few surveyors in the Engineering department who are approved for undertaking oral examinations for MEO CL-II and MEO Class-I candidates.

In view of the circumstances mentioned above and considering that the major problem lies with the conduct of oral examination for MEO CL-I and MEO CL-II grades, in partial relaxation of the requirement of the higher qualification, the following procedure is to be followed for approving internal examiner for conducting oral examinations for the MEO CL-II and MEO Class-I grades of examinations:-

MEO Class-I grade of examinations:-

- The concerned internal examiner should be at least qualified as MEO Class-I (steam or motor or combined)
- 2. He should have been taking examination of MEO Class-II grade for atleast 60 months, as a DGS approved examiner.
- He will be eligible to undertake orals examination of repeater candidates only.
 Prospect of examining, fresher candidates will be reviewed after their having examined 100 repeater candidates.
- 4. He will undertake the examination along with an external examiner having the higher qualification i.e. either Extra First Class or PGDMOM from IIT or M.SC, WMU, Malmo.

MEO Class-II grade of examinations:-

- 1. The concerned internal examiner should be qualified as MEO CL-I (steam or motor or combined).
- 2. He should be undertaking examination of MEO CI IV grade for atleast 12 months, as a DGS approved examiner.
- 3. He will undertake the examination along with an external examiner approved for undertaking MEO CL II (steam or motor or combined).

This issues with the approval of the Director-General of Shipping.

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- 1. The Principal Officers, Mercantile Marine Department, Mumbai/ Kolkata/ Chennai/ Kandla/ Cochin.
- 2. The Surveyor-in-charge, Mercantile Marine Department, Goa/ Jamnagar/ Port Blair/ Visakhapatanam/ Tuticorin/ Delhi/ Haldia/ Paradip/ Mangalore.
- 3. CS/ NA/ CSS/ Jt.DG
- 4. Hindi Cell
- 5. Guard file
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