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नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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SECURITY ADVISORY

DGS Circular 31 of 2026

Subject: Precautionary Measures for Indian Seafarers in view of the Heightened Security Situation in the Gulf Region – reg.

Recent developments in the Gulf region, particularly in and around the Strait of Hormuz and the Gulf of Oman, have resulted in multiple security incidents involving merchant vessels carrying Indian seafarers. Incidents involving MT Marivex, MT Settebello and MV Jalveer during past few days have highlighted the increasing risks faced by commercial ships operating in the region. The Directorate General of Shipping is closely monitoring the evolving situation in coordination with the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Ministry of External Affairs, Indian Navy, Indian Missions abroad and other concerned stakeholders to ensure the safety and welfare of Indian seafarers.

2. Further to DGS Circular No. 09 of 2026 on the subject and keeping in view the escalating security situation in the Gulf region this Directorate reiterates, all Indian seafarers, Masters, Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Operators, RPSL Companies, and other maritime stakeholders to exercise the highest degree of vigilance and caution while operating in the conflict zone. Additionally following shall be complied with:

1. Heightened Security Vigilance

Masters of vessels operating in or transiting through the Gulf region, including the Strait of Hormuz and adjoining waters, are advised to maintain heightened security awareness, closely monitor navigational warnings received and advisories issued from Security agencies, and implement all applicable ship security measures and Company Security Procedures.

2. This Directorate further reiterates that, all RPSL companies and shipping companies are advised to restrict deployment or send Indian seafarers to conflict areas until further orders. However, companies may carry out crew change in emergency situations with the consent of crew members.

3. Monitoring and Reporting

All stakeholders shall continuously monitor advisories issued by the Ministry of External Affairs, Directorate General of Shipping, Indian Missions abroad and other competent authorities and promptly report any incident involving Indian seafarers to the DG Communication Centre and Crew Branch.

4. Avoid circulating fake news/videos

All stakeholders are strongly advised to verify the authenticity of any news/videos etc of security incidents onboard ships from the Government sources and avoid circulating unverified news, social media posts and fake videos to protect the interests of Indian seafarers.

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3. This advisory shall be treated as Most Urgent and disseminated among all Masters, shipboard personnel, RPSL companies, ship owners, managers, and maritime stakeholders for immediate compliance and necessary action.

For emergency assistance, seafarers may contact the MMDAC (DG Comm Centre). The contact points are:

MMDAC (DG Comm Centre)

Email- dgcommcentre-dgs@nic.in

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This advisory is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.



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