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DGMA Advisory on Precautionary Measures for the Safety and Security of Indian Seafarers in view of the Heightened Security Situation in the Gulf Region-reg.

1. The safety, security and welfare of Indian seafarers, and the security of Indian ships, remain central to the mandate of the Directorate General of Maritime Administration.
2. Recent incidents involving attacks on merchant vessels, including Mombasa B (IMO No. 9739501), Al Bahyah (IMO No. 9937799), GFS Galaxy (IMO No. 9401271), MT WEDYAN (IMO No. 9524970), and AL REKAYYAT (IMO No. 9397339), over the past few days have increased the risks faced by seafarers and commercial ships operating in the conflict-affected area significantly.
3. In view of the heightened security situation in the Persian Gulf region, including incidents resulting in casualties among Indian seafarers and continuing attacks on merchant vessels during the ongoing conflict, the Directorate considers it necessary to adopt enhanced precautionary measures to safeguard the interests of Indian seafarers serving on board ships operating in the region.
4. Accordingly, the following precautionary measures shall be complied with:-

a. Heightened Security Vigilance

Masters of vessels operating in the Persian Gulf, the Strait of Hormuz and adjoining waters shall maintain a heightened level of security vigilance, continuously monitor navigational warnings, security advisories and updates issued by the competent authorities, and implement all applicable Ship Security Measures, Ship Security Plans (SSP) and Company Security Procedures in accordance with the ISPS Code.

b. Deployment of Indian Seafarers

Ship Owners, Ship Managers and RPSL Companies are directed to avoid deploying Indian seafarers on vessels undertaking voyages involving passage through the Strait of Hormuz until further orders.

c. Emergency Contact

For any emergency assistance, seafarers and vessels shall immediately contact:

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