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MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
समुद्रीय प्रशासन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF MARITIME ADMINISTRATION, MUMBAI

F. No. 22-23012/2/2020-PER-DGS

Date: 24.07.2026

OFFICE ORDER NO. 102 OF 2026

In view of the prevailing maritime security situation in the Strait of Hormuz, the continuing incidents of piracy off the coast of Somalia, issues concerning the detention of Indian seafarers, including the case of Capt. Ajay Pant, the evolving security concerns arising out of the Houthi attacks in the Red Sea and adjoining waters, and in pursuance of the directions of the Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways regarding continuous monitoring and tracking of Indian seafarers serving on board merchant vessels operating in vulnerable and high-risk maritime regions, the Competent Authority has ordered the following arrangements with immediate effect:

- I. **Capt. Vikram Singh Manhas, Deputy Nautical Advisor-cum-Senior Deputy Director General of Shipping**, shall supervise, oversee and closely monitor all matters relating to the tracking of Indian seafarers serving on board merchant vessels operating in vulnerable maritime areas. He shall supervise close coordination with the Indian Missions abroad, ship owners, manning agencies, maritime administrations and other concerned stakeholders to ensure timely exchange of information and prompt response to any contingency involving Indian seafarers, as being undertaken by Capt. Bipin Kumar Dhiman, Deputy Director General (Crew Branch).
- II. **Shri Gaurav Goel (Assistant), Government Shipping Office, Mumbai, and Shri Kuldeep Singh (Upper Division Clerk), Directorate General of Maritime Administration**, shall provide the necessary administrative support, day-to-day coordination and communication with all concerned stakeholders to facilitate effective monitoring and timely follow-up of matters relating to Indian seafarers in vulnerable maritime regions.

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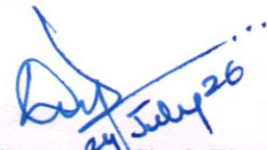
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2. The aforesaid officials shall, inter alia:

- i. maintain an updated database of Indian seafarers serving on board vessels operating in vulnerable and high-risk maritime areas;
- ii. undertake continuous tracking and monitoring of such vessels and seafarers through available reporting mechanisms;
- iii. maintain regular liaison with the concerned Recruitment and Placement Service License (RPSL) agencies, Shipping Companies, Indian Missions abroad, Maritime Administrations and other concerned stakeholders for obtaining real-time information;
- iv. immediately report any incident relating to piracy, armed attacks, detention, abandonment, medical emergencies or any other matter affecting the safety, security or welfare of Indian seafarers;
- v. facilitate timely dissemination of advisories, directions and instructions issued by the Directorate General of Maritime Administration; the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways and other competent authorities;
- vi. ensure prompt coordination with all concerned agencies for extending necessary assistance to Indian seafarers and their families, wherever required;
- vii. submit periodic status reports and such other reports as may be required by the Competent Authority from time to time.

3. This Office Order shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force until further orders.

4. This issues with the Approval of the Competent Authority.



(Deependra Singh Bisen)
Deputy Director General (Personnel)
Directorate General of Maritime Administration

To,

- i. Secretariat of the Director General of Maritime Administration, Mumbai.
- ii. Office of the Additional Director General of Maritime Administration, Mumbai.
- iii. Sr. P.S. to the Nautical Advisor (I/C) / Chief Surveyor (I/C) / Chief Ship Surveyor.
- iv. All Officers and Wing/Branches/Sections of the Directorate General of Maritime Administration, Mumbai.
- v. All Allied Offices
- vi. Pay & Accounts / Finance Branch.
- vii. IT Cell for uploading on the official website.
- viii. Office Order File.

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