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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

File No. 20-19016/2/2022-TRG - DGS

Dated: 02.05.2022

Show Cause Notice

1. Whereas, the Directorate had issued Guidelines for implementation of Centralized attendance system at maritime training Institute vide DGS Training Circular 14 of 2020 dated 13.04.2020. The Centralized Attendance system (CAS) is for recording attendance of Principal, Faculty, Instructors and candidates.
2. Whereas, the Directorate had issued Guidelines for Online Exit exam for DGS approved modular courses vide DGS Training Circular 17 of 2020 dated 24.04.2020.
3. Whereas, as per the Para 9 of DGS Training Circular 17 of 2020 dated 24.04.2020 Para 13 *"The facility for the exit exam and the records of exit examination shall be categorically inspected during any inspection after 15.05.2020. Inspection of facility for exit exam and records of exit exam shall also be part of all inspections"*.
4. Whereas, the Directorate vide DGS Order 20 of 2020 dated 04.08.2020 permitted certain short duration courses to be conducted via three tier training methodology comprising of Virtual Classes/ Live Video Sessions, E-Learning and Exit Examination to ensure continued validity of mandatory short duration courses required by seafarer prior joining ship and complying with the STCW Convention.
5. Whereas, the Directorate vide DGS Order 40 of 2020 dated 17.12.2020, the three tier learning mechanism was developed for total 80 courses.
6. Whereas, keeping in view improvement in COVID situation the Directorate issued DGS Order No. 11 and 12 of 2022 for re-opening of MTIs under controlled condition. As per point vii of para 8 of the DGS Order 11 of 2022, *"it is expected that the MTIs are having dedicated computer labs and required infrastructure as per the issued Guidelines. The MTIs have to*

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arrange an examination hall, having sufficient number of computers/laptops with IP cameras. Computers/Laptops cameras are to be so arranged that multiple face detentions should be avoided during the exam. Examination Room/Computer Lab should be well illuminated, having one or two CCTV cameras for continuous recording. It is to further clarify that all the candidates have to appear for online Exit Exam from MTI premises on the last date of theory. In case, if a candidate fails in his online Exit Exam, then for the next attempt he has to again appear from the same concerned MTI only”.

7. Whereas, as per point viii of para 8 of DGS Order 11 of 2022, “*at present the exit exam is configured to allow only one machine connected to a dedicated single IP address. The MTIs may need multiple machines accessing exit exam facility through the same IP address. MTIs are therefore requested to fill in the information in Annexure 1 and mail to training-dgs@nic.in; info@dgsexams.in immediately. On verifying the same all such machine of MTI mapped with IP addresses will be enabled for multiple users”.*
8. Whereas, as per above said DGS Order your institute has sent an email on 11.04.2022 to the Training Branch of the Directorate sharing the static IP address 171.50.246.188 and UUID No. of 6 computers of MTI and the same has been mapped with exit exam system.
9. Whereas, the technical team of Exit exam on 18.04.2022 and 22.04.2022 while conducting e-proctoring of the system and found cases of malpractice in the online Exit Exam system. During investigation it was found that your MTI Machine No. (UUID) 9B3A6A70-8FE9-DF11-9F06-88AE1DFE8352 and IP Address 171.50.246.188 was used for conduct of Exit Exam for the candidates from other institutes. This is considered being a breach of the system and major non-compliance of the DGS Guidelines. On further investigation it was found that the suspicious image of candidates captured during online Exit Exam by face recognition application (appearing from your MTI) were verified and found that the batch details for the course of the candidates has been uploaded by other MTI. Prima facie it appears a case of manipulation of system by the MTI. It has been observed through facial recognition application/pictures captured during Exit Exam that some photo/ pre-recorded videos/images of the candidate has been used during the online exit examination. Details of such candidates of other institutes

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appearing from your Insitute as above-said is enclosed with this notice.

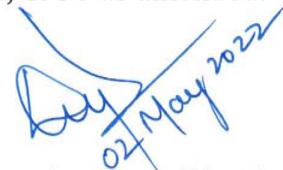
10. Whereas, in view of the above serious major non-conformities, the Maritime Training Institute "International Marine Academy is called upon to show cause as to why the following disciplinary action as given below should not be initiated against the MTI.

10.1 Withdrawal of all approvals granted to the MTI.

10.2 Disciplinary action against the Trust "VKN Education Trust", the trustees of the Trust Vinodini Kripalani, the Principal, Course-In-Charge, Exam In Charge and other functionaries of MTI involved in breach of the Exit Exam system and non compliant to DGS Order/Guidelines and blacklisting the Trust and trustees from being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping.

11. Your reply to this Show Cause Notice may be submitted to this Directorate within 15 days from the date of issuance of this Show Cause Notice failing which the actions mentioned above shall be initiated.

12. This Show Cause Notice is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping and Additional Secretary to the Government of India in exercise of the powers conferred under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 as amended.



(Deependra Singh Bisen)
Asstt. Director General of Shipping (Trg.)

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19, Papa Industrial Estate, Opp Hotel Residency,
Suren Road, Off We Highway, Andheri(E),
Mumbai - 400 093

Annexure

DETAILS OF THE CANDIDATES ENROLLED AT OTHER MTIS WHO APPEARED FROM INTERNATIONAL MARINE ACADEMY (MTI No. 204018) IP ADDRESS 171.50.246.188 AND MACHINE NO. (UUID) 9B3A6A70-8FEE9-DF11-9F06-88AE1DFEE8352

Sr. No.	Name of the Candidate	INDoS No.	EXIT Exam Date and Time	Course Name	Batch Details uploaded by MTI	MTI NO.
1	Tadala Omkar	09SL4353	13-Apr-2022, 14:03:38	Crowd Management, Passenger Safety and Safety Training	Anvay Maritime Institute	204071
2	Desai Tejas Sharad	17GL5302	22-Apr-2022, 15:42:11	Refresher Training for Proficiency in FPFF	Asha International Institute of Marine Technology	203010
3	Jha Indrakant	12HL4629	22-Apr-2022, 11:00:19	Refresher Training for Proficiency in PST	BP Marine Academy	201001
4	Rathod Ganesh Nannu	21GM5396	13-Apr-2022, 16:02:57	Basic Safety Training	BP Marine Academy	201001
5	Kumar Nitesh	21GM5923	13-Apr-2022, 15:38:24	Basic Safety Training	BP Marine Academy	201001
6	Pathak Shashikant	21GM5254	13-Apr-2022, 15:00:11	Basic Safety Training	BP Marine Academy	201001
7	Pawar Om Sanjay	22GM0755	13-Apr-2022, 14:13:52	Basic Safety Training	BP Marine Academy	201001
8	Sk Allarakha	19ZM4063	22-Apr-2022, 15:10:2022	Crowd Management, Passenger Safety and Safety Training	International Marine Academy	204018
9	Valanju Kunal Bhagyawan	22ZM8129	18-Apr-2022, 13:55:17	Security Trng. for Seafarer with Designated Security Duties	Naval Maritime Academy West	207043
10	Mondal Tapan	17CL0404	18-Apr-2022, 13:30:17	Security Trng. for Seafarer with Designated Security Duties	Trident Institute of Maritime Studies	204066

Dr. N. S. Reddy
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