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दिनांक: 22/10/2021

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M/S. Ramana Academy of

Maritime Studies

Aakurli

New Panvel -

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Show Cause Notice

Background

The Directorate had accorded approval to the MTI "M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022) located at Plot No. 5, Gut No. Plot No. 5, Gut No. 85/0, 86/0 + 96/1Aakurli New Panvel, Navi Mumbai for conduct of Post-sea courses from 2007. The MTI belongs to the Trust Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies. The Trustees of the said Trust are 1. Mr. S. Venkatesan and 2. Ms. Sudha Venkatesan.

1. M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022) was allowed to conduct following course;

Sr. No.	Course Name	Student per batch	Batches per year
1.	Basic Safety Training	20	48
2.	Basic Training for Oil and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations	20	48
3.	Refresher Training for Proficiency in FPFF	20	72
4.	Refresher Training for Proficiency in PST	20	72
5.	Security Training for Seafarer with Designated Security Duties	24	96

2. Whereas, the Directorate issued Show Cause Notice dated 17.02.2021 to MTI for deviant cases w.r.t. STSDSD course. The MTI was found to conduct the

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said course when the Directorate has suspended all the courses of all MTIs due to COVID-19 pandemic vide DGS Order 02 of 2020 dated 16.03.2020. The Competent Authority decided not to initiate any action and had dropped the case against the MTI as it was informed by the MTI that they have not issued the course certificates to the candidates those who have undergone training when ban was imposed.

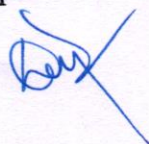
3. Whereas, the Trustee/MTI vide email dated 27.06.2021 informed the Directorate about the change in ownership of trust and the demise of their founder trustee Late Shri. Mr. S. Venkatesan. In the same email the MTI has attached a copy of leave and license agreement of the premises. The MTI further informed the Directorate on 27.06.2021 that they are commencing online courses from 1st July 2021.

4. Whereas, the Trustee/MTI vide email dated 14.07.2021 informed the Directorate that Mr. Sablu Kumar has been appointed general manager and authorize to represent matters related to the conduct and affairs of the MTI.

5. Whereas, several complaints were received at the Directorate against the subject Maritime Training Institute (MTI) that the institute is not operating from the said address and the plot is lying vacant without any building, most of which fall within the meaning of "Major Deficiency".

6. The MMD, Mumbai conducted a surprise Inspection of the M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022) on 25.09.2021 at Plot No 5, Gut No 85, 86 & 96/1 Akruti New Panvel, Navi Mumbai -410206 which is an approved premises of the Institute. The Surveyors from MMD, Mumbai found the following:

- 6.1 At the above mentioned approved premises there was an empty plot of land having no infrastructure like building or any other commercial space to house the maritime training institute.
- 6.2 At the above mentioned address an empty plot of land building materials were found to be scattered and no construction activity was being carried out at the time of the surprise inspection.



- 6.3 At the time of inspection at the above mentioned address there was no official / staff / representative of the maritime training institute.
- 6.4 The surveyor inquired and integrated with some locals nearby at the above mentioned site it appears that the building was demolished more than two months back.
7. M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022) conducted the online courses knowingly that they are not in compliance with the DGS Orders and Guidelines and are not in the possession of the approved premises. This Non Compliance of MTI falls under the Major Deficiencies as per Para 5.3.1 of Part 5 (Major Deficiencies) of DGS Order 5 of 2016.
8. The Submitted copy of registered lease deed of the premises Plot No 5, Gut No 85, 86 & 96/1 Akruti New Panvel, Navi Mumbai -410206 vide letter dated 26.06.2021 was examined by the Directorate and it was prima facie found that the submitted registry has been forged by the MTI as the date of execution of said registry is 15.06.2021 and on today's date there is no building at all on the site.
9. Whereas, the Directorate found from the e-Governance data that the Institute has Shri Pradyumna Pandurang Gadagkar {FIN No. T10886} as Principal of the Institute. The Principal of approved MTI has an overall responsibility to make assure that the institute is functioning as per the DGS Orders and Guidelines. The Principal moral responsibility was to inform the Directorate about the actual position of the infrastructure and of the premises.
10. Whereas, the Principal and two course-in-charge Shri Ashwini Kumar Barnwal T50297 and Manoj Kumar Chowrasia T20119 have signed on the digital course certificates issued to the candidates. The Principal and two course-in-charges are equally responsible as they are well aware of the fact that the Institute has no infrastructure in place which is a major non-compliance to the DGS Guidelines but still they have conducted the courses and issued the digital course certificate.
11. Whereas, the Directorate found from the e-Governance data that the Institute has conducted number of courses (three tier learning) and has issued course digital



certificates to the candidates without having possession of the premises and required infrastructure as per the DGS Orders/Guidelines.

12. Whereas, due to serious major non-conformities, the Competent Authority has decided to block the MTI profile of **"M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022)"**, with immediate effect till further Orders.

13. In view of the above serious major non-conformities, the Maritime Training Institute **"M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022)"**, is called upon to show cause as to why the following disciplinary action as given below should not be initiated against the MTI as per Part V, para 5.3 of DGS Order 07 of 2016.

13.1 Restrict M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022) from admitting any candidate to any new batches to any of the DGS approved courses.

13.2 Withdrawal/Suspension of all approvals granted to the M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022).

13.3 Disciplinary action against the Trust **"Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies Trust"**, for Major Deficiency and blacklisting the Trust, Trustees and Management (General Manager) from being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping.

13.4 Disciplinary action against the Trustee of the Trust Ms. Sudha Venkatesan for being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping.

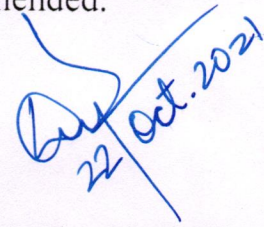
13.5 Disciplinary action against Mr. Sablu Kumar General Manager, for being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping.

13.6 Disciplinary action against Shri Pradyumna Pandurang Gadagkar (FIN No. T10886) as Principal and Shri Ashwini Kumar Barnwal T50297 and Manoj

Kumar Chowrasia T20119 both as Course-in-Charge for Major Deficiency and Cancellation of CoC and CDC of the Principal and Course-in-Charge.

14. Your reply to this Show Cause Notice may be submitted to this Directorate latest by 01.11.2021 failing which the actions mentioned above shall be initiated.

15. 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.


22 Oct. 2021

(Deependra Singh Bisen)

Asstt. Director General of Shipping (Trg.)

To;

1. M/s. Ramana Academy of Maritime Studies (MTI No. 204022),
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Gut No. 85/0, 86/0 + 96/1 Aakurli
New Panvel, Navi Mumbai
2. Ms. Sudha Venkatesan,
Flat No: 1103, Floor No: 11TH, Emerald Pratik Gems,
Plot no. 10/11 sector no 35,
Kamothe, Navi Mumbai, Raigarh,
Maharashtra, 410206.
3. Mr. Sablu Kumar, General Manager,
Flat No: 420, Road no 1, Exg. Galli Mithapur, Jai Prakash Nagar,
Jakkanpur, Patna, Bihar, 300001.
4. Mr. Bhorr Manendra Narayan
APTE, Raigarh, Maharashtra, 41020

5. Shri Pradyumna Pandurang Gadagkar
106/B Rainbow Raheja Vihar Complex Chandivali
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6. Shri Ashwini Kumar Barnwal
502, C Wing Prajapati Arcade Sec. 15
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7. Manoj Kumar Chowrasia
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