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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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Date: 29th June, 2026

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

M/s. Mercantile Marine Academy (MTI No. 303013), located at 3rd & 4th Floor, 226B, Rash Behari Avenue, Kolkata, West Bengal – 700019, is a Maritime Training Institute (MTI) approved by the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) for conduct of the following courses:

Sr. No.	Name of the Course	Students per Batch	Batches per Year
1.	Advanced Training for Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations	24	26
2.	Advanced Training for Liquefied Gas Tanker Cargo Operations	20	12
3.	Advanced Training for Oil Tanker Cargo Operations	24	26
4.	Basic Safety Training	20	48
5.	Basic Training for Ships using Fuels Covered within IGF Code	20	48
6.	Basic Training for Liquefied Gas Tanker Cargo Operations	24	48
7.	Basic Training for Oil and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations	24	48
8.	Chief Mate (FG) – Phase I	40	4
9.	Chief Mate (FG) – Phase II	40	4
10.	Crowd Management, Passenger Safety and Safety Training	20	24
11.	Engine Room Simulator – Management Level	6	52
12.	Engine Room Simulator – Operational Level	6	104
13.	High Voltage Safety and Switch Gear at Management Level	24	48
14.	High Voltage Safety and Switch Gear at Operational Level	24	48
15.	MEO Class – I	16	6
16.	MEO Class – II	40	3
17.	MEO Class – II	26	3
18.	Medical First Aid	20	52
19.	Refresher Training for Medical First Aid	20	52
20.	Refresher Training for Proficiency in FPFF	16	72
21.	Refresher Training for Proficiency in PST	15	72
22.	Refresher and Updating Training Course for all Engineers	20	48
23.	Revalidation Training Course for Masters and Deck Officers	20	48
24.	Second Mate (FG) Competency Course	20	6
25.	Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties	20	72
26.	Ship Security Officer	24	48
27.	Vertical Integration Course for Trainers (VICT)	16	24

2. Whereas, the Directorate General of Shipping, vide DGS Order No. 23 of 2014 dated 29.12.2014, mandated the conduct of the **Comprehensive Inspection Programme (CIP)** for Maritime Training Institutes (MTIs) conducting competency courses; and thereafter, vide DGS Order

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No. 4 of 2016 dated September 2016, mandated the conduct of CIP for MTIs conducting pre-sea training; and thereafter, vide **DGS Training Circular No. 33 of 2018 dated 16.11.2018**, extended the CIP framework to MTIs conducting basic five STCW courses and/or post-sea modular courses, excluding competency courses.

3. Whereas, the Directorate General of Shipping, vide **DGS Order No. 3 of 2026 dated 20.03.2026**, introduced consolidated Comprehensive Inspection Programme (CIP) integrating the three existing CIP inspection processes that Maritime Training Institutes (MTI) are required to undergo (Pre-Sea, Competency and Modular courses).

4. Whereas, the Comprehensive Inspection Programme is a regulatory monitoring and performance-based evaluation mechanism intended to assess and ensure the quality, compliance, and standards of maritime training imparted by approved Maritime Training Institutes in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Directorate General of Shipping and the STCW framework

5. Whereas, on scrutiny of the records available with the Directorate, it prima-facie appears that M/s. Mercantile Marine Academy has not complied with the requirements relating to the Comprehensive Inspection Programme as mandated under the aforesaid DGS Orders and Training Circular for the year 2025.

6. **Now, therefore**, M/s. Mercantile Marine Academy is hereby called upon to **show cause**, within **seven (7) days** from the date of receipt/issuance of this Notice, as to why appropriate action should not be initiated against it for the aforesaid non-compliance with the CIP requirements prescribed by the Directorate General of Shipping.

The institute is directed to submit a **written explanation**, together with all supporting documents, records, and material relied upon by it, within the aforesaid period. The reply shall specifically indicate the reasons for non-compliance, the corrective measures taken, and the present status of compliance.

Take notice that, if no reply is received within the stipulated period, or if the explanation submitted is found to be unsatisfactory, it is informed that the matter shall be proceeded with **ex parte**, and the Directorate General of Shipping shall initiate such action as may be deemed fit in accordance with the applicable rules, orders, circulars, and governing regulatory framework, including but not limited to **withdrawal of approval, blocking of access to the e-Governance portal, and any other consequential or incidental action**, without any further notice.



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