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समुद्रीय प्रशासन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF MARITIME ADMINISTRATION, MUMBAI

File No. 20-17/1/2026-TRG -DGS (Comp No.38683)

Dated 24.08.2026

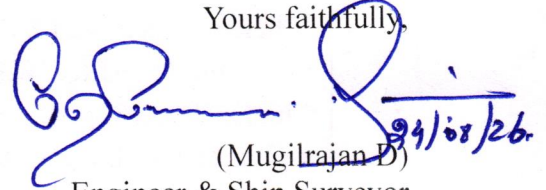
ORDER

1. Whereas, M/s. Immanuel Arasar College of Marine Engineering (MTI No. 406053) (hereinafter referred to as "the MTI") was approved to conduct the General Purpose Rating (GP Rating) Course with an intake of 40 candidates per batch and 6 batches per annum, i.e. 240 candidates per annum.
2. Whereas, pursuant to the deficiencies/non-compliances identified during the Comprehensive Inspection Programme (CIP) inspection and upon consideration of the material available on record, the Directorate issued a Speaking Order dated 09.12.2025 in F. No. 20-11011/16/2022-TRG-DGS (C. No. 16502), revising the approved intake from 240 to 160 candidates per annum, comprising 80 candidates per batch and 2 batches per annum, with effect from 01.01.2026.
3. Whereas, against the revised annual intake of 160 candidates, the MTI admitted 120 candidates in the January 2026 batch and 120 candidates in the July 2026 batch, and sought registration of the latter through the DGMA portal, resulting in 80 candidates being admitted in excess of the approved annual intake.
4. Whereas, aggrieved by the non-registration of the students admitted in the July 2026 batch, the MTI filed W.P.(MD) No. 20136 of 2026 before the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, seeking consideration of its representation dated 11.07.2026 for registration of the said students.
5. Whereas, the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, vide order dated 15.07.2026 in W.P.(MD) No. 20136 of 2026, directed as under:

"The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner further submitted that the petitioner would be satisfied if this court issues a direction to the competent authority to consider the petitioner's representation dated 11.07.2026 and pass appropriate orders thereon within a time frame to be fixed by this court. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the petitioner's claim, this Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to consider the petitioner's representation dated 11.07.2026, after affording an adequate opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and any other interested or affected parties, if any, and thereafter pass appropriate order on merits and in accordance with law. Such shall be completed as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of four (4) weeks, from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs." ...2/-

6. Whereas, in compliance with the aforesaid directions, the Directorate afforded the MTI an opportunity to present its case, and its representation submitted vide email dated 05.08.2026 was placed before the 81st STCW Compliance Board held on 13.08.2026 for consideration.
7. Whereas, upon consideration of the representation, the 81st STCW Compliance Board concluded that the admission of the 80 candidates in excess of the approved annual intake was unauthorised and could not be regularised, and accordingly decided that the MTI shall refund the full amount of fees collected from the said 80 candidates, without any deductions.
8. Therefore, based on the foregoing facts and circumstances and pursuant to the decision of the 81st STCW Compliance Board held on 13.08.2026, it is hereby ordered that:
 - (i) The MTI shall refund the full amount of fees collected from the aforesaid 80 candidates, without any deduction whatsoever.
 - (ii) The MTI shall submit to the Principal Officer, MMD Chennai, documentary evidence of the refund made to each of the 80 affected candidates, including proof of payment/refund, for verification and onward submission to the Directorate.
 - (iii) The MTI shall not represent or communicate that the aforesaid 80 admissions have been approved, recognised or regularised by the Directorate.
9. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,



(Mugilrajan D)

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