

75th STCW Compliance Board meeting held on 14.05.2026		
S.No	Agenda	Decision Taken
1	Application for Course Approval by M/s Sakshi Institute of Maritime Foundation	It was noted that an inspection was conducted on 1st April, during which observations were raised and subsequently complied by the institute, with documentary evidence verified by MMD Mumbai. Based on satisfactory compliance the recommendation of MMD Mumbai, the Board agreed to grant approval for conduct of the proposed courses. Decision: PO, MMD Mumbai recommendation was accepted.
2	Application for Course Approval by M/s MMTI'S Education & Research Trust, Khopoli	It was observed that the institute had complied with all inspection observations except one related to placement performance, for which corrective measures have been initiated, including the proposed surrender of the CCMC course. Based on the recommendation and satisfactory compliance, the Board approved the conduct of the applied courses, as per the proposed intake and frequency. Decision: PO, MMD Mumbai recommendation was accepted.
3	M/s CV Raman Case of Malpractice in MTI Exit Exam	The Board considered the inspection report of MMD Kolkata, noting serious deficiencies including exit examination malpractice, gaps in QMS, and non-compliance with DGS norms. While disciplinary action has been initiated, the Board directed immediate corrective measures, including comprehensive CAPA and rectification of all deficiencies, and agreed to take stringent action, including issuance of a warning and further decisions based on detailed recommendations of MMD Kolkata. Decision: The proposal of the PO, MMD Kolkata, was accepted
4	Indian Maritime University (IMU) Chennai Campus-Request for relaxation of Swimming Pool.	Considering the need for detailed examination of the matter, the Board decided to defer the agenda to the next meeting for further deliberation, with a view to obtaining additional clarification and input from concerned officials. Decision: The agenda has been deferred to the next meeting.
5	Discussion on Shipboard Training: Review of the current shipboard training practices and their importance in ensuring safety, compliance, and operational efficiency.	DDG STCW updated that it was agreed that 96 candidates will be deployed onboard Swaraj Deep commencing 15 July, subject to necessary approvals. The tentative list of candidates received from BES has already been submitted for approval of the Competent Authority. Post-approval, the list will be shared with SCI, which will be responsible for conducting psychometric assessments, medical examinations, and final selection formalities. With respect to funding, it was noted that the expenditure will be met through MTT.
6	Compliance Status - Training Circular No. 59 of 2025 - Enforcement of Swimming Pool and Waterbody Requirements for Maritime Training Institutes	DDG STCW updated that data received from various MMDs is currently being compiled, and a communication to MTIs is in the process of being issued.

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7	Confirmation of Publication of Results	No update on this.
8	DGS Maritime 10K Run & Cyclothon 2026 on 29th March 2026.	DDG STCW updated the successful conduct of the event DGS Maritime 10K Run, Marathon and Cyclothon held on 29 March at Princess Dock, Mumbai, with participation of around 1,500 individuals. The event, flagged off by DG Sir, saw awards across multiple categories and received strong support, including sponsorships from shipping companies and Mumbai Port Authority. The Board also noted the proposal to organize Maritime Games between December 2026 and February 2027 for further consideration.
9	Removal of Penalty for Correction in INDoS Particulars: Training Circular No. 08 of 2019.	DDG STCW updated that the Rs 3,000 penalty was originally introduced to ensure careful data entry by MTIs, however, of late there have been representation from MTIs stating that despite correct entries of the students date of birth and place of Birth that are captured independently at the time of INDoS registration there have been issue while applying for CDC. The Rs 3000 fine being imposed on the MTIs in such cases has been reviewed and the Board agreed that the penalty should not be imposed. It was advised the same has to be incorporated in the new MTI Module.
10	Consideration of MTI Guideline for North-East Region & Visit to Asha Marine College, Sikkim.	DDG STCW updated that the existing DGS guidelines, particularly land and infrastructure requirements practical challenges in hilly terrain due to topographical, climatic, and logistical constraints. Considering the observations and recommendations, the Board agreed in principle to introduce region-specific relaxations, including reduction of minimum land requirement from 4 hectares to 1 hectare, permitting vertical/multi-storey campuses, and allowing limited tie-ups for facilities such as hostel (within 2–3 km), swimming pool, playground, subject to conditions. The Board also agreed to consider rationalization of local admission and to encourage promotion of maritime training in the region through outreach initiatives and scholarships for local candidates. Additionally, it was suggested that MTIs should extend reasonable fee concessions to Northeast students without artificially inflating general fees. The draft circular incorporating these recommendations has been revised accordingly and shared with all board members and uploaded on DGS website for stakeholder comments.
11	Review of Legal Matters in Training Division - Updates Thereof	Legal consultant updated that there are currently 23 active cases under examination.
12	Application for In-Principle Approval by M/s. Ganpat and Manju Foundation.	The Board considered the proposal of Ganpat University, Goa, and agreed to grant In-principle approval, noting that the proposed arrangement of using the Mehsana campus for practical training is a deviation from DGS norms. This shall be permitted only as a temporary measure, with the institute required to develop full infrastructure at Goa in a phased manner. Year-wise course approvals will be granted subject to compliance, and ultimately all training must be conducted within a self-contained campus at Goa. Decision: PO, MMD Mumbai recommendation was accepted to the condition that full self-contained infrastructure to be developed at Goa.