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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF MARITIME ADMINISTRATION, MUMBAI



File No.: 20-11011/42/2021-TRG-DGS

Date: 19.10.2026

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Whereas, M/s. Oceanic Maritime Academy, Dehradun (MTI No. 106017), run by Oceanic Educational Society, hereinafter referred to as the "MTI", is a Maritime Training Institute approved by the Directorate General of Maritime Administration (hereinafter the "Directorate") to conduct the courses listed below, and is required to comply with the applicable regulatory provisions and the conditions of its approval.

Sr. No.	Name of Course	Approval No. and Date	Students per Batch	Batches per Year
1	Advanced Training in Fire Fighting	100753 dated 02.12.2025	16	24
2	Basic Safety Training (BST)	TR/A/68/2018 dated 01.10.2018	20	48
3	Basic Training for Oil and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations	100753 dated 02.12.2025	16	24
4	Crowd Management, Passenger Safety and Safety Training	100753 dated 02.12.2025	16	24
5	Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats	100753 dated 02.12.2025	16	24
6	Refresher Training for Proficiency in FPFF	100390 dated 07.06.2021	16	48
7	Refresher Training for Proficiency in PST	100390 dated 07.06.2021	16	48
8	Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties (STSDSD)	TR/A/68/2018 dated 01.10.2018	24	48
9	Training for General Purpose Ratings	TR/A/321/2013 dated 22.11.2013	40	2
10	Training for General Purpose Ratings	100753 dated 02.12.2025	40	2

2. Whereas, **Section 47(1) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025** empowers the Director-General to administer, supervise and monitor maritime education, training and assessment, including the approval and regulation of Maritime Training Institutes.

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3. Whereas, Para 4.21 of DGS Order No. 07 of 2016 requires all fees and dues to be collected from students through DD/cheques only, against proper receipts and with proper records maintained by the Institute; electronic banking modes such as net banking, NEFT/RTGS and UPI, being equally traceable, conform to its intent. It further provides that *"Any collection in cash from candidates by the Institute shall be treated as misconduct by the Institute and shall be liable for penal action including withdrawal of approval."*

4. Whereas, Para 3.1 of DGS Order No. 07 of 2016 requires the MTI to comply with the prescribed requirements on faculty strength, approval and appointment, and Para 1.16 of that Order requires it to maintain its records as prescribed; DGS Training Circular No. 32 of 2018 requires it to maintain and upload the faculty load matrix; and DGS Order No. 03 of 2026 subjects its faculty records to verification under the Comprehensive Inspection Programme.

5. Whereas, under Para 5.3.1 of DGS Order No. 07 of 2016, irregularities in fees (Para 5.3.1.4) and any other significant lapse from the guidelines (Para 5.3.1.7) constitute major deficiencies, for which Para 5.5 provides for withdrawal of approval of a course or of the Institute, including, under Para 5.5.5, immediate cancellation where serious fraud, including faked records, is detected.

6. Whereas, the MTI was inspected by the Directorate on 18.09.2026, and the fee records and bank statements furnished by the MTI were examined. These records indicate that the MTI has received course fees from candidates, in full or in part, in cash, contrary to Para 4.21, and that such receipts are not supported by numbered receipts or corresponding deposit entries in the records furnished, so that the fees received cannot be verified against the MTI's accounts.

7. Whereas, the faculty records and bank statements furnished by the MTI were also examined. Salary payments to certain faculty members and instructors shown in the MTI's DGS profile could not be traced in the bank statements furnished, while payments were observed to a person not shown in the faculty list. The faculty records were therefore not found to be complete and verifiable.

8. Whereas, the above findings prima facie indicate:

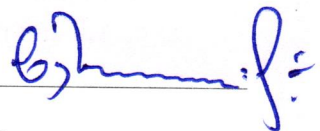
- (a) receipt of course fees in cash, in contravention of Para 4.21 of DGS Order No. 07 of 2016, which may constitute a major deficiency under Para 5.3.1.4; and
- (b) maintenance of faculty records that do not establish the actual engagement of the faculty declared by the MTI, contrary to the provisions cited at Para 4, which may constitute a major deficiency under Para 5.3.1.7 and, if those records are found not to be genuine, may attract Para 5.5.5.

9. Whereas, the said deficiencies, if established, would render the MTI liable to action under Para 5.5 of DGS Order No. 07 of 2016, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Para 5.6 of that Order.

Now, therefore,

10. The MTI is hereby called upon to show cause, within 15 (Fifteen) days from the date of receipt of this Notice, why regulatory action should not be taken against it, including, but not limited to:

- (i) restriction or reduction of the approved intake/batch capacity of the MTI;

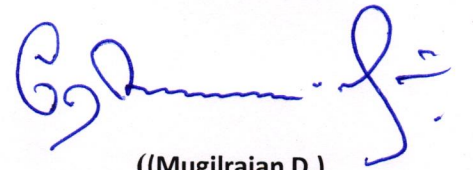


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- (ii) temporary withdrawal of approval of one or more approved courses;
 - (iii) permanent withdrawal of approval of one or more approved courses;
 - (iv) permanent withdrawal of the approval of the MTI;
 - (v) immediate permanent withdrawal/cancellation of approval, where warranted by the nature and seriousness of the deficiencies; and
 - (vi) any other action as the Directorate may deem fit under the applicable rules, orders and circulars.
11. The MTI shall submit a written explanation on the findings at Paras 6 and 7, supported by:
- (a) details of every fee, or part thereof, received in cash during the preceding 12 months (course, batch, amount, date, receipt number, and date and account of deposit), with copies of the receipts and the corresponding bank entries;
 - (b) a course-wise and batch-wise fee register for the same period (INDoS No., course, batch, fee charged and received, date, mode of payment and receipt number), reconciled with its bank statements;
 - (c) for the same period, in respect of every faculty member and instructor, the appointment letter, month-wise payroll with bank entries, biometric attendance, faculty load matrix and time-table, with a member-wise reconciliation; details of every bank account through which salaries are paid; and the capacity in which any person not on the faculty list is paid; and
 - (d) a time-bound corrective action plan.
12. Pending disposal of this Notice, the MTI shall not accept any fee, or part thereof, in cash, shall collect fees only through the banking modes referred to at Para 3, and shall issue a numbered receipt for every payment received.
13. The MTI may request a personal hearing while submitting its reply, indicating the name and designation of its authorised representative.
14. If the MTI fails to reply within the stipulated period, or to appear for the personal hearing when called upon, the matter shall be decided on the material on record without further reference to the MTI.
15. The observations in this Notice are prima facie. The final decision shall be taken after considering the MTI's reply, the evidence in support, the records on file and, where applicable, the submissions made at the personal hearing. This Notice is without prejudice to any other action under the applicable laws, rules, orders and circulars. This issues with the approval of the Director General.



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