DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING		
	TRAINING BRANCH	IS/ISO Clause No.7.1
Ref.: QMS:EACQP- 07-1	Subject: Operational Level aspirant officers in Fisheries, RSV, Dredger and Offshore sectors-regarding operational /advanced level STCW Courses	File No. TR/CIR/6(2)/ 2012
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It has come to the knowledge of the Director General of Shipping that aspirants under subject categories would often be from support level (rating) background and therefore, such aspiring candidates face undue hardship due to eligibility criteria as prescribed in respective course guidelines in securing admission in STCW courses stipulated for officers only. It is also noted with concern that there is noticeable shortage of trained manpower in above cited sectors.

- 2. In order to remove difficulties for such aspirants, the Director General of Shipping in partial modification of eligibility criteria prescribed in concerned course circulars (e.g. AFF, PSCRB, MFA, ROSC, ARPA), applicable to operational/advanced level officers, hereby, allows training institutes, approved to conduct such courses, to enroll aforesaid aspirants into the operational/advanced level courses, upon producing necessary supporting document to this effect, issued by an approved assessment centre.
- 3. The Principal Officer, MMDs are requested to issue necessary certificate to bona-fide aspirants and guidance to approved institutes in their respective jurisdiction, conducing such courses, in this regard.

4. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping.

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Dy. Director General of Shipping