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नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई  
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI



**File No.20-12/1/2020-TRG-DGS**

**Dated: 15.08.2023**

**DGS ORDER NO. 11 of 2023**

Subject: Request Representation humbly submitted for consideration of facts and circumstances and facilitation of relief by correcting the number of batches approved for the General Purpose Rating Course in the approval order issued to our Institution-reg.

1. Whereas, Sri Nandhanam College of Engineering and Technology (MTI No.414046) (hereinafter referred as 'NCET') located at Sri Nandhanam Maritime Academy, Nandhanam Nagar, Molagarampatti, Tirupattur, Tamil Nadu-635602 is Directorate General of Shipping (hereinafter referred as 'DGS')- approved Maritime Training Institute (hereinafter referred as 'MTI') for conducting the DGS approved Maritime Courses. NCET is run by Sri Nadhanam Education and Social Welfare Trust, represented by its Chairman Shri PMN Mohan Krishnaa.
2. Whereas, the Petitioner, Sri Nadhanam Education and Social Welfare Trust, represented by its Chairman PMN. Mohan Krishnaa, Nandhanam Nagar, Molagarampatti, Tirupattur, Tamil Nadu-635602 filed a W.P. No. 18575 of 2023 in the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras against Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai. The Hon'ble High Court in its judgement Order dated 23.06.2023 in W.P. No. 18575 of 2023 directed to the respondent at Para 6 as below;

*"6. In view of the aforesaid submission, this Court, without going into the merits of the case, directs the respondent to consider the petitioner Trust's representation dated 08.06.2023 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of two (2) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order".*

3. Whereas, the Respondent i.e. the Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai has examined the representation made by petitioner dated 08.06.2023 under the light of the order of Hon'ble High Court of Madras in W.P. No. 18575 of 2023 dated 23.06.2023.

4. Whereas, the NCET in their representation dated 08.06.2023 interalia requested as below;

- 4.1. "We hereby seek your intervention towards facilitation of relief from the above atrocities by correcting the error in number of batches approved in General Purpose Rating Course for our institution into the minimum level of two batches per year in accordance with

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*customary practices followed with all other similarly placed MTI or as four batches per year as per our submitted hardcopy approval application which had been processed to its gradual conclusion”.*

5. Whereas, DGS issued approval letter vide F. No. 3-TR(2)/2006-GP-II dated 01.01.2018 to NCET for Training for General Purpose Ratings (GP Rating), 40 candidates in a batch with 1 (one) batch in a year. The approval was given with a condition that the GP Rating batch will be valid till 30.06.2018; further approval will be considered only after the institute constructs the swimming pool and seeks approval for the five STCW basic modular courses from the approved campus. The NCET vide letter dated 04.04.2018 requested for extension of the approval of GP rating course. The DGS issued a letter vide F. No. 3-TR(2)/2006-GP-II dated 16.05.2018 that the request for extension of GP approval can only be entertained after compliance of condition mentioned on approval letter dated 01.01.2018.

6. Whereas, the online application of NCET was rejected by the DGS. However, later the NCET requested to reconsider the application for approval and submitted the undertaking letter that they will be constructing swimming pool as per DGS Guidelines as soon as permitted by State Govt. The DGS issued conditional approval letter to MTI on 26.03.2020.

7. Whereas, while giving the conditional approval, Shri Amitabh Kumar, Ex-Director General of Shipping has mentioned that;

*“It is very clear that before 2018, the view of the Directorate was to allow institutes to have swimming facility based on suitable tie-ups. Since 2018, we have been insisting on swimming pools within the campus to ensure proper monitoring of the courses.*

*It is also understood that the existing institutes can't construct their pool overnight, as several approvals etc. are required from State Government authorities. The case of Tamil Nadu is more problematic, because the state government its own regulation has banned swimming pool as per our specification given in TC 07 of 2018. On the request of the institutes, we have been granting them extension, if some intent of construction of swimming pool is shown. Therefore, with existing institutes we have been consistently followed the policy of 'nudge'*

*I have seen no reason in this case also, as to why we should simply shut down the institute or its courses just because of the non-availability of swimming pool, when continuously the institute has been informing about their intention to construct [In audacious behaviour of the owner notwithstanding].*

*I, therefore, own inclined to give some more time to the institute for construction of the swimming pool, both for its existing coursed and for the new courses applied. Till then, the existing tie-up facility for swimming can continue.*

*Based on the extension of relaxation, the new courses applied by the institute is approved for a period of one year. During the period of one year, MMD, Chennai will inspect this institute on 2 occasions, 1<sup>st</sup> in 6 months and 2<sup>nd</sup> in 11 months from the date session starts, MTI will invite the MMD Surveyor for inspection on its own. If on completion of 1 year, the institute is not fully compliant with DGS Training Circular 07 of 2018, the approval granted should be withdrawn.*

*As regards, the unfair and malicious letter written by the institute/whatsapp message etc, a fair warning should be issued asking the MTI to remain within the strict discipline expected from a maritime trainer. If the institute or his owner is seen*

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*engaging in spreading malicious rumors about the office of Director General or any of its officers, then strict disciplinary action will be taken against the institute or its owners”*

8. Whereas, Shri PMN Mohan Krishnaa, Chairman, NCET was issued a warning letter on 14.05.2020 for sending/posting malicious email and whatsapp messages dated 15.04.2020 against the officers of the Directorate.
9. Whereas, a consolidated Approval No.: TR/A/09/2020 vide F. No. 3-TR(2)/2006-GP-II dated 18.05.2020 was issued to the NCET covering the 7 Pre-Sea Courses including “Pre-Sea Training- G.P. Rating Course” for a batch of 40 students per year. Special instructions were given in the consolidated Approval letter to NCET mentioning as below;
  - 9.1. *The approval is valid for 1 year from the date of issuance of approval order.*
  - 9.2. *The MMD Chennai will inspect MTI on two occasions first inspection in 6 month and the second will be in 11 month from the start date of the session.*
  - 9.3. *On completion of one year, if the institute does not fully comply with DGS Training Circular 07 of 2018, the approval granted would be withdrawn.*
  - 9.4. *It will be responsibility of the MTI to inform MMD, Chennai for the inspection.*
10. Whereas, considering the covid-19 pandemic the request of NCET for extension of validity of his approval for a period of one year with the same special conditions was granted again vide letter F. No. 20-12/1/2020-TRG-DGS dated 18.05.2021.
11. Whereas, the NCET was sending continuous emails to the concerned officers of the DGS with a request for conversion of conditional approval to permanent approval. The NCET stated that they were complying swimming pool norms as per DGS Training Cir. 07 of 2018 and MMD Inspection cannot be the approval condition as the approval itself has been issued after three physical inspection for pre-sea courses. Further, NCET stated "Shipping companies are also hesitant to tie-up as MTI is having temporary approval". The DGS has vide even number letter dated 28.07.2021 rejected the request of the NCET and asked to comply with the conditions stipulated in the Conditional Approval letter.
12. Whereas, in response to the correspondence of NCET vide email dated 23.08.2021 and 09.09.2021, the DGS vide even number file dated 14.09.2021 informed the NCET that as per Para No.4.8.8 of Training Manual: "A year shall be defined as the calendar year for all practical purposes unless specifically mentioned. For example: The approved batched frequency of 24 batches/year shall mean that the MTI may conduct 24 batches in that calendar year. However, if a MTI acquires approval on 01/07/2018 in a particular calendar year, it shall be eligible to conduct only 12 number of batches (Pro-rata basis) within that calendar year". As per the issued Guidelines, MTI is not allowed to take admission for the second batch of GP Rating course in a single calendar year. Hence, the request to upload batch details for the second batch of GP Rating was denied and the NCET was not approved and to conduct second batch of the GP Rating course in the same calendar year. The NCET was further advised to apply online as per issued guidelines if interested for approval of additional batch of General Purpose Rating Course.
13. Whereas, the DGS vide letter even number file dated 30.03.2022 informed the NCET that Orders of Hon'ble High Court of Madras dated 07.03.2022 with respect to W.P. Nos. 23717

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and 23712 of 2021 and W.M.P. Nos. 24964 and 24957 of 2021 mentioned the Para 2 & 3 of said judgement as below.

13.1. Para 2 "The petitioner is hence permitted to seek ratification by way of online application by paying the requisite processing fee and producing required documents. Let this exercise be completed prior to the next date of hearing".

13.2. Para 3 "If the application as aforesaid, is submitted within one week from today, the same will be considered and orders passed thereon, prior to the next date of hearing"

14. As per direction of Hon'ble High Court the petitioner MTI (Sri Nandhanam College of Engineering and Technology) has to apply online for approval of training in General Purpose Rating course within one week from the date of issue of the said order. The Directorate has not received any online application along with requisite processing fee for the said course in compliance to Hon'ble High Court order.

15. Hence, it was construed that petitioner (Sri Nandhanam College of Engineering and Technology) is no more interested in approval of the said course. In case whenever MTI will apply online for approval of the said course along with processing fee the Directorate will consider the case as per the issued Guidelines.

16. Whereas, DGS vide even number letter dated 01.06.2022 again issued Consolidated Approval No: TR/A/02/2022 mentioning the special instruction as below;

16.1. *The validity of approval shall be subject to construction of Swimming pool within the approved premises of the MTI latest by 31.05.2025 as per undertaking dated 12.05.2022 submitted by MTI.*

17. Whereas, the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature of Madras passed an Order dated 07.07.2022 in W.P. No. 16936 of 2022 and WMP 16218 of 2022 and inter alia mentioned

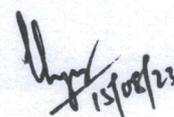
*"6. After recording the rival submissions, this Court directs the petitioner to submit a fresh on-line application within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order to the respondents requesting for grant of approval for admitting the students for General Purpose Rating Course in 4 (Four) batches per year instead of existing one batch per year and on receipt of such on-line application, the respondents shall pass final orders on merits and in accordance with law after duly inspecting the petitioner Institution within a period of one month thereafter."*

18. Whereas, it was found that till 03.11.2022, the NCET did not file the on-line application as ordered by the Hon'ble High Court in the W.P. No. 16936 of 2022 and W.M.P. 16218 of 2022 dated 07.07.2022.

19. Whereas, while scrutinizing the batch details submitted by various MTIs on the DGS E-Governance Portal, it was observed that, the NCET had submitted batch details for General Purpose Rating Course more than that of the approved intake capacity. Also, it was observed that there was no Quality Control implementation in place w.r.t. Batch upload etc. Hence, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the NCET even number file dated 14.10.2022 for the major non-conformity of uploading batch details of 51 candidates for two batches although NCET was approved only to conduct Course for 40 candidates in a year.

20. Whereas, the NCET while replying to the above Show Cause Notice mentioned for withdrawal for the current Show Cause Notice as the same remains sub-judice at that time.

21. Whereas, a letter written by Sri G Sankaran, Advocate from Chennai to the Chairman of NCET mentioned that the Writ Petition has been filed by the Petitioner college to rectify the

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number of batches for GP Rating Course approved in the Permanent Order issued by the First Respondent dated 01.06.2022, presently the above Writ Miscellaneous Petition in WMP No. 27455 of 2022 has been filed to modify the order passed in the Writ Petition for rectification of number of batches in the approved list dated 01.06.2022. It was also mentioned that since the number of batches for GP rating course is the subject matter of Writ Petition which is sub-judice, appropriate representation may be submitted to the Show Cause Notice in the reference cited to the respondents to defer further action, awaiting orders in the W.M.P., above stated.

22. Whereas, various emails have been received from students completed GP Rating course from NCET in June 2021, stating that the NCET was not issuing the GP Rating certificates to them even when they have passed BES Exit Exam. The DGS also received serious complaints against NCET for denial of admission and non-returning of course fee and threatening the candidates. The candidates also alleged that NCET is not having faculty, no books provided etc. One faculty informed the DGS that he wants to join RL Institute Madurai but the e-Gov. system is not allowing him to join in the faculty list as later it was found from the e-Gov. system that Nandhanam College is using his faculty details. He further informed that Nandhanam College is using his FIN without his consent. Considering the above mentioned serious issues, the DGS issued a letter dated 22.02.2023 to Mercantile Marine Department (MMD), Chennai to investigate the matter and submit the report. Accordingly, the MMD, Chennai carried out a surprise inspection of Sri Nandhanam College of Engineering and Technology (MTI No. 414046) on 15.03.2023. The inspecting team of surveyors found major deficiencies which are as follows;

22.1. The inspection team contacted the MTI Principal, Shri Pradeep Kumar Mondal @11:00 hrs, 15.03.2023 to inform arrival of surprise inspection of MMD, Chennai for a smooth entry procedures at the campus gate and good coordination. During this conversation it was informed that he is a signatory Principal and never visited the MTI and taking online classes. However, w.e.f. April, 2022, DGS has discontinued the online classes and revert back to physical classes. He also advised the inspection team that he will notify the management regarding the surprise inspection.

22.2. Presently MTI conducting Pre Sea courses for GPR, CCMC and BST without course In-charge.

22.3. MTI Chairman informed the course In-charge for these courses who is also Principal/Director gave resignation on 28.02.2023. One email in this regard dated 15.03 .2023 is submitted.

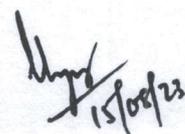
22.4. As per DGS Training Manual 3.2.8 qualification for GPR Faculty members not complied with.

22.5. Few Faculties/Instructors to undergone VICT course as per Training Manual para 3.2.4 and 3.2.5.

22.6. During this inspection of MTI, the instructors present, are Mr Natarajan( 2ndMate) Mr Viplav Raj (Joined today 2nd Mate) Mr R C Singh (Ex Navy) Mr Ajith Kumar K (MEO class IV) Mr Vasudevan T J (Ex Navy) Mr Madan D(Join in Jan 2023 B Tech Marine Eng) in the campus.

22.7. MTI not able to show CCTV footage of FPF and PST as per DGS guideline and there is no evidence of fixed camera at fire mock-up.

22.8. Centralized Attendance System not installed.

  
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- 22.9. Biometric attendance data is not able to show for verification.
- 22.10. As per Training Manual para 3.1 .8 50% classes to be taken by Permanent Faculties, where as no permanent Faculty available during the inspection except 3 permanent instructors.
- 22.11. MTI unable to show/provide copies of a) Print out of Biometric attendance b) Attendance register of Faculties and Instructors c) Evidences of collecting fees from admitted candidates for present batches d) Appointment letters for the Faculties and Instructors e) Evidences of payment made to Faculties etc f) Copies of COC, COP, CDC, Service Certificates as applicable g) Details of Court cases if any going against DGS or MMD.
- 22.12. There is anomaly in the Faculties provided by MTI with online DGS portal. Example Capt. Samay Kumar Master, Sudeep Nag 2M not being seen online.
- 22.13. Last CIP carried out on 31.01.2018 by RINA Class with A2 grade, its overdue by 4 years now.
- 22.14. Placement details of MTI found very poor in last three years.
- 22.15. Original Land and Trust Deed not seen.
- 22.16. Recommendation from Inspection Team and PO MMD Chennai:
- 22.16.1. Taking cognizance of the above mentioned points, now the inspection team recommends for immediate and stern action against the MTI with respect to the non-compliance of DGS norms and insecurity inside the campus.
- 22.16.2. Taking the various irrelevant court cases from the MTI in Chennai, we recommend a caveat in Madras High court to inform the department regarding any case filed by MTI prior admittance and it is to be renewed every 6 months.
23. Whereas, as per para 5.3 of Part V of the DGS Order 7 of 2016 the major deficiencies are as below;

### **5.3.1 Major deficiencies:**

Major deficiency shall comprise of any item such as:

- 5.3.1.1 enrollment of the number of students in excess of approval,
- 5.3.1.2 admission to ineligible candidates,
- 5.3.1.3 inadequacy of the faculty to impart training,
- 5.3.1.4 irregularities in fees,
- 5.3.1.5 irregularities in teaching hours and
- 5.3.1.6 break-down of general discipline
- 5.3.1.7 any other significant lapse from the guidelines.

24. Whereas, in the event of such deficiencies being noted during inspection, they should be reported to the DGS immediately.

as per Para 5.4 of DGS Order 7 of 2016--**Rectification of deficiencies,**

In the event of ineligible admissions, subsequent batch of the course concerned or more batches will be suspended without any Show Cause Notice or intake of the institute may be reduced to the extent of double the number of ineligible candidates admitted in the previous batch, extend to suspension of approvals for intake of new batches in repetition in same or other courses by the Institute.

As per 5.5.1 of DGS Order 7 of 2016 -- Categories of withdrawal:

  
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Detection of any major deficiencies may lead to imposition of penalty of withdrawal of approval of the course. Withdrawal can be either temporary or permanent. Permanent withdrawal can be for the course, or for the Institute. Permanent withdrawal for the Institute can be ordinary, or immediate.

25. Whereas, Sri Nandhanam Educational and Social Welfare Trust, represented by its Chairman PMN. Mohan Krishnaa again filed the W.P. No. 8774 of 2023 before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras against the Principal Officer, MMD Chennai with a prayer to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondent not to proceed with the predetermined inspection done on 15.03.2023 and conduct a fresh inspection under the supervision a natural person appointed by this Hon'ble Court. The Hon'ble High Court while passing the order inter alia ordered that

*"5. Since the respondent is vested with the power to conduct surprise inspection, the relief sought for in this Writ Petition cannot be granted. Liberty is granted to the respondent to proceed with the inspection in accordance with Law."*

26. Whereas, on the basis of the surprise inspection dated 15/03/2023 and the report received from MD Chennai, the DGS has issued the Show Cause Notice to NCET on even No. file dated 05.06.2023 citing the deficiencies noticed during the surprise inspection and the further proceedings in this regard is under process.

27. Whereas, Hon'ble High Court of Madras Order in W.P. Nos. 40370 of 2016 etc., batch dated 09.09.2019: the concluding para 92 of the judgement is reproduced below;

*92. To sum up the writ petitions are disposed of with the following findings and directions:-*

*(i)The Director General of Shipping is the authority vested with absolute power to regulate all training programmes leading to examinations for grant of certificates;*

*(ii)As far as Diplomas, Degrees and Post Graduate Diplomas offered by the Institutes affiliated to Universities, the policy of the Central Government binds the Universities and the Institutes affiliated to the Universities. DGS power to prescribe minimum eligibility marks for admission in Diploma and degree courses flows from Entry 25 in List I of Schedule VII of the Constitution of India.*

*(iii)Any order or regulation issued by DGS shall be with the object to enhance the quality of training and standard of education and not detrimental to the object;*

*(iv)MoU with Shipping company for onboard training for specified number of candidates and restricting the admission to that specified number alone is an onerous condition;*

*(v).....*

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28. The Director General of Shipping has the responsibility and authority to ensure that training, examination, assessment and certification of seafarers are conducted in accordance with the STCW Convention and the M.S. (STCW) Rules, 2014. The DGS in order to ensure that all training and assessment of seafarers for certification is administered, supervised and monitored in accordance with the STCW Convention and its Code, and STCW rules framed under Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, approves the Maritime Training Institutes, training programmes & issues various guidelines, training circulars, orders, Merchant Shipping Notices from time to time, so as to monitor & regulate such Institute as per the above legislations. The relevant provisions of the STCW rules are given hereunder;

*The Rule 4 of the STCW Rules, 2014 provides definitions as follows;*

*'Quote' Rule 4: Definitions*

*Sub-para (4) – "Approved" means approved by the Director General of Shipping or the Chief Examiner concerned as the case may be;*

*Sub-para (6) – "Approved training course" means a course approved by the Director General of Shipping conducted in a training institute for the purpose of issuance of certificate of competency, certificate of proficiency, endorsement, upgradation and revalidation;*

*Sub-para (7) – "Approved training, examination and assessment programme" means the programme of training and assessment of seafarers as approved by the Director General of Shipping specifying the complete scheme of training and standards including examination and assessments for the purpose of issuance of certificates or endorsements under these rules;*

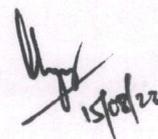
*Sub-para (8) - "Approved training institute" means a training institute approved by the Director General of Shipping;*

*Sub-para (9) - "Assessment centre" means a centre designated by the Director General of Shipping responsible for assessment of candidates and maintaining records for the purpose of assessment*

*"Training and assessment"*

*Rule 9.1: - The Director General of shipping shall designate assessment centres which shall, -*

- a. *Assess and maintain records of candidates with regard to their sea-going service, ashore and on-board training, courses attended, examinations and completed and certificates held by the seafarers;*
- b. *Examine the documentary evidence that the candidate has fulfilled the eligibility criteria for joining an approved training and assessment programme;*
- c. *Assist the Chief Examiner or Examiner concerned, as the case may be, in the conduct of online, written, oral and practical examinations and completion of the training and assessment programme for each function.*



Rule 9.2: - The Chief Examiner concerned shall ensure the-

(a) The training and assessment of seafarers, including e-learning and distance learning, as required under the STCW Convention and these rules are administered, supervised and monitored in accordance with the provisions of section A-1/6 of the STCW Code; and

(b) Persons responsible for imparting training and assessment of competence of seafarers, as required under the STCW Convention and these rules, are appropriately qualified in accordance with the provisions of section A-1/6 of the STCW Code for the type and level of training or assessment involved.

Rule 75 of the STCW rules states as under;

'Supervision by the Director General of Shipping'.

Director General of Shipping shall supervise that all training and assessment of seafarers for certification is –

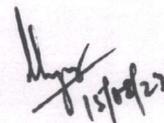
1. Structured in accordance with written programmes including such methods and media of delivery, procedure and course material as are necessary to active the standard of competence as specified in Chapters II to VIII of the STCW Code;
2. Conducted, monitored, evaluated and supported by persons qualified in accordance with paragraphs 4 to 6 of the section A-1/6 of the STCW Code.

29. It is to be noted that the Central Government and the DGS has formulated the standards of training programme for seafarers entering into maritime profession under the provisions of section 78 & 87 of Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 and the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping for Seafarers) Rules, 2014. The Judgement dated 09.09.2019 of the Honourable High Court in batch of Writ Petitions filed by the Petitioner has once again re-iterated the powers of the DGS in all matters of Maritime Training and Education.

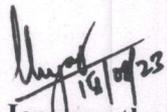
30. Also, it is stated that the Petitioner has obtained the approval for conducting maritime courses from the Director General of Shipping based on an undertaking that all the requirements stipulated by the DGS will be complied with for conducting these courses and submitted batch details for General Purpose Rating Course more than the approved intake capacity and not complied with the applicable and governing laws and DGS guidelines, orders and circulars.

31. The NCET has filed a W.P. No. 18575 of 2023 in the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras against Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai wherein the Hon'ble High Court in its judgement Order dated 23.06.2023 ordered the respondent to consider the petitioner Trust's representation dated 08.06.2023 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of two (2) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

32. In view of the facts and circumstances explained hereinabove, the Directorate General of Shipping taking cognizance of the fact that Sri Nandhanam College of Engineering and Technology, Tirupattur has been approved to conduct the DGS approved Maritime Courses as

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per the guidelines issued by the DGS from time to time under Merchant Shipping Act 1958. While giving the consolidated approval to the NCET, special instructions were mentioned from time to time. They have been allowed to construct the swimming pool within the approved premises of MTI latest by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025 as per the undertaking dated 12.05.2022 submitted by MTI. It was previously also communicated to the NCET that as per the issued Guidelines, MTI is not allowed to take admission even for the second batch of GP Rating course in a single calendar year. Hence, the request to upload batch details for the second batch of GP Rating was denied in the earlier instance and the NCET was not approved and to conduct second batch of the GP Rating course in the same calendar year. The NCET was further advised to apply online as per issued guidelines if interested for approval of additional batch of General Purpose Rating Course. While passing the orders, the Hon'ble High Court of Madras dated 07.03.2022 with respect to W.P. Nos. 23717 and 23712 of 2021 and W.M.P. Nos. 24964 and 24957 of 2021 mentioned in the Para 2 & 3 of said judgement about the filing of the online application for the additional batches of GP Rating Course, if any. Further, the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras while passing an order in the W.P. 16936 of 2022 dated 07.07.2022 asked the NCET the same thing for applying online for additional batches of GP Rating Course. The NCET did not even follow the above mentioned orders of the Hon'ble High Court from time to time and filed the W.M.P. No. 27455 in 2022 asking for the rectification of the number of the batches for GP Rating Course-approved in the order of DGS dated 01.06.2022. Considering the recent developments after receipt of the multiple complaints, the surprised inspection by MMD, Chennai, a Show Cause Notice has been issued to the NCET. Therefore, pending the decision in the Show Cause Notices issued dated 04.10.2022 and 05.06.2023, the representation of the NCET received vide email dated 08.06.2023 cannot be entertained at this stage.

  
(Shyam Jagannathan)

**Director General of Shipping**

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