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### **Merchant Shipping Notice No. 14 of 2013.**

**Sub.- Endorsement on Continuous Discharge Certificates as per the requirements of the ILO Convention No. 108.**

In order to remove the difficulties faced by the Indian flag shipping companies / agents of foreign flag vessels in the matter of denial of entry into Russia, by Russian authorities of vessels with Indian seafarers whose CDCs were not endorsed as being in compliance with the ILO Convention No. 108, the Merchant Shipping Notice No. 13 of 2006 [F.No.3(15)/CR/2006] dated 21.09.2006 was issued by this office to facilitate the Indian seafarers' to approach the Shipping Master concerned for an endorsement on their CDCs' to the effect that “ This document is a Continuous Discharge Certificate cum Seafarers Identity Document and is issued in compliance with Seafarers Identity Document convention 1958(No-108) of the International Labour Organization”.

2. However, instances have been brought to the notice of this office that such applications for endorsements are being submitted by the shipping companies / agents concerned when such seafarers are required to sail to such ports which ultimately require the ILO endorsement stamping. The submission of an application, for the purpose, just prior to sailing and the procedural formalities therein may delay the process of obtaining the said endorsements on CDCs', thereby putting the seafarers to undue hardship. It is also noticed that such ILO stamping is required only on old CDCs' printed prior to 2009. The new CDCs' printed with effect from July, 2009 already have the ILO stamping embedded on them.

3. In order to relax the procedures and to facilitate quick issuance of the ILO endorsements on the old CDCs, the following procedure for endorsing the CDCs with ILO stamping shall be adhered to henceforth;

3.1 The seafarers who requires an ILO stamping on their CDC shall submit their CDCs in person to the jurisdictional Shipping Master Office on any working day between 1000hrs to 1200 hrs.

3.2 The concerned Shipping Master after completing necessary formalities shall affix the ILO stamping on these CDCs on the same day. Such CDCs shall be collected back by the

concerned seafarers in person between 1600 hrs to 1700 hrs on the same day.

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3.3 Such seafarers' are also advised to apply for such endorsements well in advance, rather than waiting till their last moment of sailing and also hold good for any other countries that may insist on such CDC stampings, mutatis-mutandis.

4. The above instructions shall be effective from the date of an issue of this order.

5. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping & ex-Officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India.

(C. Rethinadhas)  
Deputy Director General of Shipping (Crew)

To,

1. Shipping Master Mumbai with reference to his letter no. 55/CDC/ILO/2012/414 dated 10.09.12, for information and necessary action.
2. Shipping Master Chennai for information and necessary action.
3. Shipping Master, Kolkata, for information and necessary action.

Copy for information to:

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2. All Principal Officer MMDs,
3. All Surveyor In-charge MMDs
4. INSA / MASSA / FOSMA
5. Director, Seamen Employment Office, Mumbai / Kolkata / Chennai.
6. NUSI / FUSI / MUI
7. IMU, Chennai LBS College, Mumbai.
8. N T Brach / Training Branch / Engineering Branch, DGS
9. Hindi Section for Translation please
10. Computer Cell for uploading on web.

The Secretary to the Govt. Of India, Ministry of Shipping, Transport Bhavan, 1 Parliament Street, New Delhi.

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