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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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M.S NOTICE NO. 06 OF 2020

Subject: Maritime advisory No. 3 on new coronavirus - reg.

1. The Directorate has issued maritime advisory on new coronavirus vide M.S. Notice 02 of 2020 on 28.01.2020 & M.S. Notice 03 of 2020 dated 04.02.2020 (F. No. 7-NT(72)/2014).
2. The said advisory recommended all Indian seafarers and all Indian ships to comply with the World Health Organization (WHO) recommendations, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) advisory, International Maritime Organization (IMO) circulars and International Maritime Health Association (IMHA) advice in letter and spirit. Also, all were advised to keep visiting the aforesaid organization websites on daily basis and comply with the updated guidelines issued from time to time.
3. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has recently issued consolidated travel advisory dated 26.02.2020 in view of spread of coronavirus to other parts of world available in below link:
<https://mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/Consolidated%20Travel%20advisory%20to%20travelers%20Updated%2026-02-2020.pdf>, wherein Indian citizens have been further advised to refrain from non-essential travel to certain countries.
4. International Maritime Organisation (IMO) has issued circulars dated 31.01.2020, 12.02.2020, 19.02.2020 & 21.02.2020 providing information and guidance, based on recommendations developed by the World Health Organization (WHO) on the precautions to be taken to minimize risks to seafarers, passengers and others on board ships from the coronavirus. In the said circular of IMO, Member States have been advised to urge all stakeholders (companies, managers, crewing agents, etc.) to promulgate information to ensure that seafarers, passengers and others on board ships are provided with accurate and relevant information on the coronavirus outbreak and on the measures to reduce the risk of

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exposure if they are likely to be engaged on ships trading to and from ports in coronavirus-affected States. The circulars of IMO are available at the following below link:

<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/HotTopics/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx>

5. All Indian seafarers and all Indian ships are hereby advised once again to closely monitor the WHO, MoHFW and IMO websites on regular basis and be guided with the updated guidelines issued from time to time by the aforesaid organizations.

6. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping & Additional Secretary to the Government of India.



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