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## Merchant Shipping Notice No. 11 of 2016

**F.No. CR/MIS/1/2009**

**Dated :20.10.16**

**Sub.: Certificate of Competency as cook in the merchant navy-compliance with the MLC, 2006--reg.**

The Maritime Labour Convention (MLC), 2006 of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) has entered into force, globally, on 20.08.13, following its ratification by the required number of Member-States of the ILO. The Govt. of India has the ratified Maritime Labour Convention (MLC), 2006 on 08.10.15 & the same has now entered into force in India on 09.10.16.

2. The MLC, 2006 has set out certain requirements under its Standard A 3.2. para 3, which casts an obligation on the merchant shipowners to ensure that seafarers who are engaged as cooks on board such ships are trained, qualified and found competent for the said position, in accordance with the requirements set out in the laws and regulations of the Member-States concerned.

3. The Merchant Shipping (Certificate of Competency as Cook in the Merchant Navy) Rules, 1991, promulgated vide the Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India's Gazette Notification No. G.S.R. 709 [F.No. A-33025/19/91-MT] dated 13.12.91, as amended, prescribes the requirements of eligibility & qualification for an issuance of the said certificate of competency for cook. The said certificates of competency are issued in the prescribed format contained in the 'First Schedule' under Rule 6 of the said Rules, by the 3(three) jurisdictional Shipping Masters of the Govt. Shipping Offices, located at Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata.

4. The Directorate General of Shipping, GoI, has vide its MS Notice No.3 of 2015 [F.No. CR/MIS/1/2009] dated 19.03.15 had issued a clarification to all concerned that certificates of competency for cook issued under the said rules are in compliance with the provisions of Maritime Labour Convention, 2006. Considering that some representations have been received requesting that the said endorsement should also be indicated on the certificate itself, it is now decided that Certificates of Competency as Cook, issued by the Shipping Masters, shall have the following statement printed on it;

*"This Certificate is issued in compliance with the Regulation 3.2 of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006."*

6. Those seafarers who have already been issued Certificates of Competency of Cook [COC] and who wish to get fresh certificates with the above stated endorsement, may get their certificates replaced by applying online for a duplicate COC (cook) through this office website 'http://www.dgshipping.gov.in'. A fresh certificate containing the above endorsement shall be issued in lieu of the original certificate and shall be sent by speed post A/D at the address of the seafarer concerned. In such cases, where seafarers may be serving on board ships and if they request so, their certificates may on request, be hand delivered to the representatives of their respective employers. On issuance of the fresh certificates, the original certificates shall be deemed to be null & void.

7. This is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping & Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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[Dr. Amol B. Kirtane]

Deputy Director General of Shipping [Crew]

To,

1. All Indian flag shipping companies.
2. Indian Registrar of Shipping, Mumbai
3. Principal Officers, Mercantile Marine Departments, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Kandla & Kochi.
4. Surveyors-in-Charge, Mercantile Marine Departments, Jamnagar, Goa, Mangalore, Tuticorin, Vishakhapatnam, Paradip, Haldia, Port Blair & Noida.

Copy forwarded for an information & necessary action to the ;

1. Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Shipping, [Attn : Shri K. Touthang, Director [MA] Transport Bhavan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110001.
2. INSA/ICCSA/FOSMA/MASSA.
3. Seafarers Union.
4. Nautical/Engineering/Naval Architecture/Training/SD Branches of the DGS, Gol.
5. Hindi & E-governance Branches, DGS, Gol, for the Hindi translation & uploading of this Notice on the official website of the DGS, Gol, respectively.