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सं NO.ITRA/GEN/FMTY

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विषय Sub: Unauthorised use of seamen identity cards -Reg.

- संदर्भ Ref: 1. Ministry of Home Affairs Ir. No. 25016/14/2015-lmm, dt. 22.9.2016.  
2. Ministry of Shipping Ir. No. SR-18020/3/2014-MA, dt. 28.9.2016  
addressed to DG Shipping.  
3. D.G. Shipping Ir. No. CS-14(4)/2009-II, dt. 10.10.2016 addressed to  
all MMDS  
4. Gazette Notification No. 147 dt. 17.3.2016.

It is to mention that the members of the crew and tindals of sailing vessels [holding identity cards or permits, under, The Sailing vessels ( members of Crew) Rules, 1967] were exempted from the mandatory requirement of holding Passport, before travelling abroad. This provision allowed seamen to travel abroad, on the basis of their identity card.

Now, vide the referred correspondence and the Gazette Notification 4<sup>th</sup> cited the above practice was reconsidered by the Government and it was decided to withdraw the above facility (at para-1) w.e.f. 1.6.2015.

In view of the above, it is requested to give wide publicity to all Indian citizens concerned who are also members of the crew and tindals of sailing vessels, to obtain passport for their International travel.

  
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TRAFFIC MANAGER

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