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**नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई**  
**DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI**

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**Crew Branch Circular No. 05 of 2019**

**Subject: Jumping of ships by Indian Seafarers on Cruise Ships in ports in USA.**

The Directorate General of Shipping has received several complaints from Recruitment & Placement Services License companies intimating that some Indian seafarers working on cruise ships are intentionally jumping ships, particularly in ports of USA. This is a criminal act and due to this unscrupulous behavior of a small number of seafarers the job prospects for Indian seafarers on cruise ships are being adversely affected.

2. The matter has been considered by the Directorate General of Shipping and it has been decided that upon receipt of a formal complaint from the employer or the approved Recruitment and Placement Services about jumping of ships by Indian Seafarers (accompanied with a formal complaint filed with the local police authorities) following action against the seafarer will be initiated;

- i. The privileges given to the seafarers in the e-governance system of the Directorate General of Shipping will be blocked and the seafarer will not be allowed to use the e-migrant system ;
- ii. The Shipping Masters will be informed to take necessary action for cancelling the seafarers CDCs and the CDC will be cancelled within 24 hours of the receipt of communication by them; and
- iii. Such cases will be referred to the Ministry of External Affairs for cancellation of the seafarer's Passport by the concerned passport office, under an intimation to the Directorate.

3. The RPS having such cases are required to intimate this Directorate with details of such seafarers in the following format for further necessary action accordingly:-

Name of the RPSL company & No.	Name of the seafarer	INDOS No.	CDC No.	Passport No.	Date of Engagement	Date of desertion

4. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping, Government of India.

  
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Deputy Director General of Shipping