

## **M.S. Notice 5 of 2001**

**Dated:9th March 2001**

**Subject : Certificate of Service issued in accordance with Section 80 (now repealed) of M.S. Act, 1958.**

Preamble: M. S. Notice No.5 of 2001 read with M. S. Notices Nos. 4 & 6 of 2001, section 80 (now repealed) of M.S. Act 1958 prescribes the guidelines with respect to facilitation of employment for holders of certificate of service issued under section 80 (now repealed) of the M.S. Act on board ships registered under the Merchant Shipping Act 1958 as amended.

### 2. Applicability:

The M.S. Notice No.5 of 2001 is applicable to the Certificate of Service issued under Section 80 (now repealed) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1958 as amended.

3. Certificate of Service issued under Section 80 (now repealed) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1958 as amended remains a valid document under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act and is valid for service on board a vessel registered under the Act and engaged in the coasting trade of India including voyages on Supply Boats (OSVs, MSVs or ASVs) operating between Indian Ports and locations of oil exploration in the Continental Shelf of India.

4. The Certificate of service holders desiring to convert their certificate of service to certificate of competency under STCW 95 Convention may follow the procedures as described under M.S. Notice No.4 of 2001 for Masters and M.S. Notice No.6 of 2001 for Engineers. It is essential for an officer to have a certificate of competency as recognized under STCW 95 for all vessels trading in international waters after 31<sup>st</sup> January 2002.

5. The Indian Naval officers and the sailors other than certificate of service holders desiring to appear for certificate of competency in accordance with M. S. (STCW) Rules 1998 will be required to comply with the appropriate provisions of the META Manual of the said rule.

This is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping.

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