



# NATIONAL MARITIME DAY CELEBRATIONS (CENTRAL) COMMITTEE

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To,  
ICGH /INSA/FOSMA/MASSA  
CMMI/IME/ICC Shipping.

**Sub: Nomination for NMDC – 2020 & 2021 awards –reg.**

Dear Sir,

As you are aware that the National Maritime Day is celebrated every year on 5<sup>th</sup> April in commemoration of the maiden voyage of the first Indian Vessel "S.S. LOYLTY" owned by M/s. Scindia Steam Navigation Company from Mumbai to London on 5<sup>th</sup> April, 1919. The National Maritime Day recognizes the services of seafarers and services of persons and organizations connected with promotion and development of national maritime industry by giving them awards, scholarship and facilitations.

2. The 'National Maritime Day' (NMD) synonymous with the 'Merchant Navy Week' is proposed to be observed from the 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 (Monday) to 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday). On this occasion, following awards will be given:

(1) **"National Maritime Varuna Award"**: This is the highest category of such awards, granted for consistently exceptional and outstandingly all-round and leadership contributions made by an individual in the maritime sector, over time. The award would consist of a statue of Lord Varuna, Certificate and a Citation.

(2) **"National Maritime Award for Excellence"**: This is the second highest category of such awards, granted for meritoriously excellent contributions, of a very high order, made all-round and consistently by an individual in the maritime sector, over time. The award would consist of a Ship Model, Certificate and a Citation.

(3) **"National Maritime Award for Gallantry"**: This award is recognition of an exceptional act of outstanding bravery demonstrated in extraordinarily adverse circumstances in a maritime situation, including at risk to one's life.

This award will comprise a Trophy and a Citation to the Master/ Person(s) concerned and a Medal to the person(s) involved in the maritime gallantry concerned. In the case of an involvement of more than one seafarer in such gallantry, the names and ranks of all those involved therein will be cited prominently and individual medals shall be presented to all the seafarers involved.

(4) **"National Maritime Award for Best Maritime Training Institute"**: This award is recognition of the exceptional contributions made by an entity for advancing the cause of human resource development and skill Up-gradation. The award would consist of a Trophy and a Citation.

