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ORDER

1. Whereas, India is a party to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended [STCW Convention, 1978] which is a Convention of International Maritime Organization (IMO), a specialized agency of United Nations Organization [UNO]. The main purpose of the Convention is to promote safety of life and property at sea and the protection of the marine environment by establishing common International standards of training, certification and watch-keeping for seafarers. This Convention read with its Code [STCW Code] deals with the requirement of qualifications, the nature of the training and standards to be maintained & followed for the Maritime field & profession in the Shipping Industry. India being a party to the Convention is obliged to give effect to the provisions of this Convention so as to maintain the quality of maritime education & training in the country, so that India can produce competent seafarers for employment on Indian ships and foreign ships.

2. Whereas, as per Section B-I/6 of Part B of STCW Convention Guidance regarding training and assessment Use of distance learning and e-learning

6. Parties may allow the training of seafarers by distance learning and e-learning in accordance with the standards of training and assessment set out in section A-I/6 and the guidance given below.

Guidance for training by distance learning and e-learning