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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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**ORDER OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL AND
DE-RECOGNITION OF INSTITUTE**

Background

The Directorate had accorded approval to the MTI "**Marine Officers' Training Academy (MOTA), Puducherry**" (MTI No. 402014), No. 1, Anbu Nagar, Thuthipet, Puducherry - 605502 for conducting pre-sea and post-sea courses. The MTI belongs to the Trust **M/s MOTA Educational Trust** located at No. 7, Main Road, Koothapakkam, Cuddalore district. The Trustees of the said Trust are Mr. GovindanMunuswamy (S/o Shri P. Munuswamy), Smt. K. Saraswathi (W/o Shri P. Munuswamy) and Ms. J. Sivaranjini (D/o J. Janarthanan). Several complaints were received at the Directorate against the subject Maritime Training Institute (MTI). An overview of the deficiencies or irregularities noted are listed below.

1. Noted deficiencies/irregularities

MMD Chennai carried out an unscheduled inspection of the MTI "Marine Officers' Training Academy" (MOTA) on 01 / 05 / 2019. The inspection team, in its reports has pointed out several lapses and violations on the part of the institute management, against the applicable DGS guidelines, many of which fall within the meaning of "Major Deficiency" as per respective DGS Orders/ Guidelines. In addition, the MMD inspection report was reviewed at the Directorate and additional deficiencies were noted. These deficiencies were mainly related to the following.

- 1.1. Admitting candidates excess of approved intake capacity,
- 1.2. Inadequacy of faculty,
- 1.3. Issuance of course certificates without attendance,
- 1.4. Serious lapses in infrastructure,
- 1.5. Serious lapses in Quality System,
- 1.6. Non-availability of video records of practical training,
- 1.7. Irregularities in attendance of faculty,
- 1.8. Conduct of number of batches in excess of approval,
- 1.9. Issuance of course certificates to seafarers sailing onboard
- 1.10 Permanent faculty working in multiple institutes
- 1.11 Course certificates being issued from non-approved premises
- 1.12 Other deficiencies.

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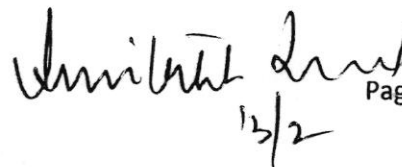
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Following shortcomings were also observed during the inspection by MMD, Chennai:

Major deficiencies:

- 1) Eligibility criteria for admitting candidates in various courses not verified by the institute. Also, record of certificates issued to the candidates not available for STCW and modular courses.
- 2) Batch details of Refresher course of AFF indicate that 11 candidates attended the course on 27.04.2019. However, details of candidates enrollment form with supporting documents were not available with the institute. There is no evidence available with the institute to show that these candidates had attended the training.
- 3) Batch details of PSCRB course conducted for 15.04.2019 to 20.04.2019 indicates that 40 candidates were issued with certificates on 20.04.2019, which is more than the sanctioned capacity of 24. Also, institute could not produce any evidence to confirm that the candidates had attended the training.
- 4) Video recording of practical training of PSCRB/FPPF /RPSCRB/RAFF/AFF were not available, even though the same has been made mandatory vide Training Circular No. 07 of 2016 dated 28.09.2016.
- 5) Institute has conducted 196 batches of basic safety training and issued 4690 certificates in six-month period against the sanctioned /approved capacity of 96 batches per year. However, institute could not produce evidence of conduct of training.
- 6) Institute has conducted 283 batches of STSDSD course and issued 6750 certificates which is much more than the sanctioned/approved capacity of 186 batches with maximum in take of 4704. However, institute could not produce evidence of conduct of training.
- 7) Institute uploaded batch details of PSCRB and AFF course for the period from 22.04.2019 to 27.04.2019 in the e-governance module and issued certificates to 12 and 7 candidates respectively. However, institute could not produce any evidence such as application form, attendance record, assessment record, feedback form etc., to confirm that the candidates actually attended the training program.
- 8) Out of 12 faculties, only three faculties (including principal) were present during the inspection.
- 9) Biometric attendance record of all the faculties was not available except one faculty Mr. Nanda.
- 10) Out of 27 instructors, only nine instructors were present during inspection.


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