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Sub : Procedure for Issue of approvals to Chartered Foreign Flag Vessels

The Directorate has desired the implementation of an E-Governance system in order to ensure transparency and better utilization of Information Technology for its operations. The E-samudra system developed by the Directorate will be implemented in phases from 1st January 2007. One of the component of the system is the issue of Licenses and charter permissions. The module for licensing and chartering of the E-Samudra system comprises of the following transactions

1. Chartering Permissions.
2. General Trading License for Indian Vessels.
3. Other licenses

The Implementation is set to begin with the charter permissions transactions from 1st January 2007 followed by the rest from 1st February 2007. The charterers and other users of the system are requested to register with the Directorate and obtain a User name and a password. Upon acceptance of the registration the user name and password will be Sent by E-mail to users.

The registration is free and the online form is available on the home page of the E-governance system. To access the form the users are requested to go to www.dgshipping.com and click on the E-samudra link provided. The user is then led to the E-Samudra home page. The new user registration section at the left hand part of the page is available to all who wish to register under different categories.

The charterers (who are not Indian Ship owners) are requested to register under the charterers' category

only. The Indian ship owners are required to register under ship-owners' category for the access to the Licensing and chartering module. Applicants may refer to the copies of the screen appended for guidance.

After registration and obtaining the user name and password the user upon his first login will be requested to change his password. Thereafter the user can access the licensing and chartering module and apply for the transactions listed therein. From 1.1.07 on receipt of user name and password the charterers, including Indian Ship Owners, are requested to submit application to DGS electronically. After applying on line, the applicants should submit fees and copies of the relevant documents along with copy of printout of the application to the Directorate for further processing.

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