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As per the extant guidelines for the import of all types of ships, issued by the Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India, vide it OM No. SD-11018/1/97-MD dated 15.06.2001, as amended from time to time, technical clearance is required for vessels of and over 25 years of age. This has also been further clarified vide the DGS's MSL Branch Circular No. MSL – 10(3)/2008 dated 07.02.12.

2. It has come to the notice of the competent authority that in some of the said cases, considerable delay, to the extent of 1 -3 months, has occurred in issuing the technical clearance to the applicants concerned.

3. In order to avoid such delays and to facilitate an issuance of technical clearances in a time-bound manner, the competent authority has approved the following Action Plan;

3.1. When the applicants approach this office for the purpose of such technical clearance, they will be advised to submit their application in the prescribed format enclosing three sets of documents/plans, as stipulated under SD Circular No. 4 of 2003, to the D.G. Shipping;

3.2. On receipt of the application along with the necessary documents, the application will be processed and one set each will be forwarded simultaneously to Nautical, Engineering and Naval Arch. Branches within a maximum period of 2 working days [excluding the date of receipt]

3.3. The above technical branches will scrutinize the plans/documents. In case of any queries, or if additional documentation/papers are still required, the same will be obtained directly from the applicant at the level of the concerned technical branch, itself, and being satisfied, offer their clear recommendations whether the technical clearance could be granted with / without conditions or could not be granted due to specific reasons, within a maximum period of 7 working days, to the SD Branch;

3.4. On receipt of recommendations from the technical branches, the SD Branch will submit a consolidated proposal to the DGS for approval within a maximum period of 2 working days [ excluding the date of receipt ].

3.5. On receipt of approval of the DGS, the technical clearance or otherwise will be conveyed to the party within a maximum period of 2 working days [ excluding the date of receipt ]

4. The above procedure should be strictly complied with by all concerned.
5. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping and ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Govt. Of India.

  
(V. Rajendran)

**Dy. Director General of Shipping [SD]**

To,

1. NA/CS/CSS.
2. DDG [SD]

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1. Sr. PS to DGS
2. Sr. PS to Jt. DGS
3. Indian National Shipowner's Association, Mumbai.
4. ICC Shipping Association, Mumbai.
5. Computer Cell with request to display it in DGS website