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| Page No. 1 of 1                 | Subject: <b>CET for admission for<br/>General Purpose Rating (GP Rating<br/>Course)</b> | File No:<br>TR/MISC/9(26)/2012 |
| Approved by:<br>DG              | Circular No:<br><b>Training Circular No. 3 of 2013</b>                                  | Date: 13.02.2013               |

The Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) had introduced a Common Entrance Test (CET) for admission for the General Purpose (GP) Rating pre-sea training course vide this office DGS Order No. 08 of 2011 (F. No. TR/CIR/6(2)/2011 dated 30.06.2011), in order to achieve better training standards and quality output of Indian GP Ratings that would meet the requirements of an international level, resulting in an increased prospect of employment for them in the global merchant shipping market.

2. The DGS had authorized the Board of Examination Seafarer Trust (BEST) to conduct the said CET on behalf of the Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India, with effect from the January, 2012, batch.

3. A review of the entrance examination and its efficacy was taken, and having discussed the issue with the Maritime Institutes and keeping in view the fact that a robust centralized Exit Examination is well in place, it is now decided to do away with the requirements of a Common Entrance Test till further orders.

4. The Director General of Shipping has now therefore, decided that all approved maritime training institutes conducting the GP Rating courses should develop their own system of selection for the July 2013 batch onwards, while maintaining the eligibility criteria set forth for the course and select suitable candidates to undergo the GP Ratings training.

5. This issues with the approval of Director General of Shipping & ex officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India.

  
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Deputy Director General of Shipping

To,

1. All Maritime Training Institutes conducting GP Rating Course
2. All Academic Councils
3. All Mercantile Marine Departments
4. The Shipping Master, Mumbai /Kolkata /Chennai
5. The Director, Seamen's Employment Office, Mumbai /Chennai /Kolkata
6. INSA/ FOSMA/MASSA
7. INDOS Cell, Nav Bhavan Building, Mumbai -1
8. Engineering Branch
9. NT Branch
10. Management Representative [QMS], EAC Branch, DGS
11. Crews Branch
12. Computer Cells
13. Hindi Cell
14. Sr.PS to DG for information.