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Further to the Instructions to Examiner Circular No. 025, Issue No. 00 dated 1st November 2000, the Chief Examiner of Engineers has considered the various routes to conversion / conduct of NCV Class III (Second Engineer) and NCV Class III (Second Engineer) courses prior to appearing for the examination. After due consideration, the following are noted for your guidance:-

(1) As per META Manual I, Flow Diagram No. 4 (Page III/19) and under Section M-III/6 Sub-section 5.2 (Page III/16), a candidate wishing to appear for Marine Engineer Officer Class III - Second Engineer officer - NCV has to satisfactorily complete an approved 4 months course prior to appearing for exam. At present no institute is conducting this course, thereby creating hardship for these candidates.

It has been decided to allow these candidates to do 3 months course approved for MEO Class IV Part 'B' exam. (Please see Flow Diagram No. 1 Page III/7 of META Manual Vol. I) (Rule 25(2) IV of Chapter III of M.S. (STCW) Rules as given in Appendix III/2).

(2) Henceforth all NCV candidates who have successfully completed 3 months course for MEO Class IV Part 'B' exam will be allowed to appear for Marine Engineer Officer Class III - Second Engineer Officer - NCV Exam. The written examination shall be conducted by the approved institutes where the candidate has undergone his course. The level of examination would however be of Class III - Second Engineer Officer (NCV).

(3) The 3 months course covering code A-III/3 as applicable for A-I/3 of STCW 95, has not yet commenced and hence in lieu of that the MEO Class II Part 'B' preparatory course is to be used in lieu of the NCV course. However, the written examination at the approved institutes shall be for level of MEO Class III - Chief Engineer Officer. The written examination shall be conducted by the approved institutes where the candidate has undergone his course. However, the examination at the institute must be for the level of a Chief Engineer of vessel of Near Coastal Voyage. (Rule 22/2 (iii) of Chapter III of M.S. (STCW) Rules as given in Appendix M-III/2A).

(4) In the event the candidate finally decides to get into the main stream of MEO Examination, he would stand exempted from the 6 months course covering Code A-III/1 and Code A-III/2 of STCW 95 as enumerated in Flow Diagram No. 4 and

Training course in an approved institution of 6 months and 4 months respectively as enumerated in Flow Diagram No.3.

(5) All such candidates who already hold Class II Certificate of Competency with service endorsement and have served for a minimum period of 2 years as Chief Engineer of Vessels under the NCV area shall revalidate and upgrade their certificates consequent to which they shall be entitled to serve as Chief Engineer of Vessel upto 6000 KW in the NCV area. Candidates holding the Second Engineer Certificate of Competency without a service endorsement shall revalidate and upgrade their certificate, consequent to which they shall be entitled to serve as Chief Engineer of a vessel with engines upto 3000 KW, after successfully passing an orals conducted by a designated MMD. In all the cases examination would be conducted at the respective MMDs, under whose jurisdiction the preparatory course for the NCV examination at the approved institute has been conducted. At