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Sub.: Clarification regarding requirement of medical certificate for up gradation and revalidation of COC & COP – reg.

1. The Directorate has received several requests to clarify the requirement of medical certificate for up-gradation and revalidation of COC & COP. Due to on-going COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent travel restrictions imposed, Indian nationals residing outside India and foreign Nationals holding Indian COC are unable to obtain medical fitness certificate from D.G Shipping approved Medical Practitioners from India for the purpose of up-gradation and revalidation of COC & COP.
2. Section 14(5) (b) of MS (STCW) Rule 2014 require candidates applying for up-gradation and revalidation of COC & COP to meet standard of medical fitness as prescribed in Merchant Shipping(Medical Examination) Rules 2000.
3. The matter has been examined at the Directorate and it is clarified that candidates, who are residing outside India and unable to travel to India due to on-going travel restrictions, may submit certificate of medical fitness certificate issued by a Medical Practitioner approved by the Maritime Administration of the country they are located in.
4. Candidate needs to provide documentary evidence of the approval of the Medical Practitioner by the Maritime Administration of the location.
5. This is issued with approval of the Chief Examiner of Master and Mates and the Nautical Advisor to the Government of India (i/c).

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