

SEAFARERS' WELFARE FUND SOCIETY

Details / Rules for Career Progression Scheme for Indian Rating

Rating to Officer Scheme

These rules may be called “**Indian Certificate of Competency (CoC) Recognition and Career Progression Scheme, 2026**”, for Indian rating.

1. Commencement

The scheme shall come into force with effect from **01 January 2026**.

2. Objective

The objective of the scheme is to **recognise Indian ratings who upgrade** their qualifications by obtaining an **Indian Certificate of Competency (CoC)** and become **Merchant Navy Officers**, and to encourage **skill upgradation and career advancement** of Indian rating seafarers.

4. Eligibility

4.1 The applicant must be a **rating seafarer** who has successfully passed the **Indian CoC Examination** under **STCW Regulations II/1, III/1 or III/6**, (or NCV) on or after **01.01.2026**, and has qualified to serve as an Officer in the Merchant Navy

4.2 The applicant must have held a **Certificate of Proficiency (COP)** under any of the following STCW Regulations prior to appearing for the CoC examination:

- Regulation II/4
- Regulation II/5
- Regulation III/4
- Regulation III/5
- Regulation III/7

4.3 Only **Indian Certificate of Competency (CoC)** issued by the **Directorate General of Shipping**, Government of India, shall be considered under this scheme.

5. Nature and Quantum of Financial Assistance

5.1 The scheme provides **one-time financial assistance of ₹2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs only)**.

5.2 The assistance shall be admissible **only for obtaining the first Indian CoC** (Foreign-going or NCV).

6. Time Limit for Submission of Application

The application under this scheme as per format only shall be submitted **within twelve (12) months** from the date of issuance of the Indian CoC, along with all requisite documents.

8. Authority

The decision of the **Committee of Management (COM)** / Competent Authority of SWFS shall be **final and binding**.

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Application for One-time Financial Assistance for Indian Certificate of Competency (CoC) Recognition and Career Progression Scheme

1. Personal Details

1. Name of Applicant Seafarer : _____
2. Indian CDC No. : _____
3. Date of Birth : _____
4. Present Address : _____

5. Mobile No. : _____
6. Email ID : _____

2. Certificate of Competency (CoC) and Certificate of Proficiency (CoP) Details

- a. Type of CoC (Tick ✓): Foreign-going NCV
- b. STCW Regulation under which CoC issued (Tick ✓):
 II/1 III/1 III/6
- c. CoC No. : _____
- d. Date of Issue : _____
- e. Issuing Authority : Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India
- f. STCW Regulation under which the CoP held (tick)
- g. Regulation II/4 Regulation II/5 Regulation III/4
Regulation III/5 Regulation III/7
- h. CoP No. _____
- i. Date of Issue : _____
- j. Issuing Authority : Directorate General of Shipping, Govt. of India

4. Bank Details

1. Name of Account holder : _____
2. Name of Bank : _____
3. Branch : _____
4. Account No. : _____
(only SB a/c and not NRE/NRO)
5. IFSC Code : _____

5. Declaration

I hereby declare that:

- I have obtained my **first Indian Certificate of Competency** on or after 01.01.2026.
- I have **not availed** financial assistance earlier under this scheme.
- I understand that I shall **not be eligible** for financial assistance for any other CoC examination in future.
- The information furnished above is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date: _____

Place: _____

7. List of Documents to be Enclosed (Mandatory Self attested)

1. Copy of Indian CDC
2. Copy of COP
3. Copy of Indian CoC issued by DGS
4. Sea Service Testimonials (Rating & Officer)
5. Proof of Bank Account (Cancelled cheque / Passbook)
6. Aadhaar / Identity Proof