

# Issue of CDC to Bachelor of Fisheries Science (Nautical Science) conducted by CIFNET.

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**Sub: Issue of CDC to Bachelor of Fisheries Science (Nautical Science) conducted by CIFNET.**

Whereas Rule 5 of Merchant Shipping (Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarer's Identity Document) Rules, 2001, prescribes the issue of Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarer's Identity Document to the certificated officers.

Whereas to generate qualified officers in a shorter period and to reduce lead time to produce such qualified officers, it was felt necessary that horizontal induction from the available human resources takes place at higher academic level qualification.

Whereas taking into account the above factors, this Directorate notified Merchant Shipping (M.S.) Notice 21 of 2008 dated 16.10.2008 for Graduate Entry Scheme as Nautical Deck Cadet.

Whereas under Para 2.4 of [M.S. Notice 21 of 2008](#) prescribed the entry qualification as 50% marks in aggregate in four years Degree Course in Bachelor of Fisheries Science (Nautical Science) conducted by Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) affiliated to University and recognized by University Grants Commission and 50% marks in English either at 10th or 12th or at Graduation level as per Para 2.5.

Whereas under Para 6.2 of M.S. Notice 21 of 2008 specified that entrant from Para 2.4 streams are exempted from pre-sea training requirement. However, they are required to complete four basic Modular Courses under STCW 95.

Whereas in order to gain sea time requirement on board Indian ships a cadet is required to be in possession of Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarer's Identity Document (CDC).

Now, therefore, the Director-General of Shipping and ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India, exercising the powers conferred by Clause (1) of Section 456 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 read with notification issued by the Government of India vide S.O.No. 3144 dated 17th December 1960 delegating the said power to him, is pleased to extend the provisions of Rule 5 of the Merchant Shipping (Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarer's Identity Document) Rules, 2001 to such candidates who have passed and secured 50% marks in aggregate in four years Degree Course in Bachelor of Fisheries Science (Nautical Science) conducted by Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) affiliated to Cochin University of Science & Technology and recognized by University Grants Commission and have completed four basic Modular Courses under STCW 95 to enable them to obtain an Indian Continuous Discharge Certificate-cum-Seafarer's Identity Document (CDC) of 10 years validity period as prescribed under the M.S. (CDC) Rules, 2001 as Deck Cadet subject to the condition that they produce a letter of appointment/sponsoring letter from Indian Shipping Companies / Recruitment and Placement of Seafarers (RPS) Agents.

Sd/-

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Director-General of Shipping &

Ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India

[Please see the attached flow chart.](#)