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नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

F.No. 3TR(48)/99-STSDSD

Dated:06.08.2019

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1. Background

The Maritime Training Institute (MTI) "Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Institute Of Maritime Science And Engineering" (MTI No. 406027), located at 1069, Thirupaninatham, Keerapalayam, Chidambaram, District: Cuddalore, Tamilnadu - 608602 is owned by a Trust "Kamalam Sambandam Alagiri(KSA) Educational and charitable Trust" and the Trustees of the Trust are Mr. K. S. Alagiri, Mr. S. Soundrapandian, Smt. KSA Vatchala, Smt, KSA Santhi and Miss A. Anusaya. The Directorate had accorded approval to the MTI for conducting "Training for General Purpose Rating", "Basic STCW Safety Training", "Basic Training for Oil and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations", "Refresher training for proficiency in Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting", "Refresher training for proficiency in Personal Survival Technique" and "Security Training for Seafarer with Designated Security Duties" courses.

2. Sequence of events

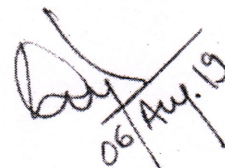
- 2.1. A complaint via email was received at the Directorate on 15 / 06 / 2019 from a candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan (INDoS No. 18ZL4178). The candidate stated that he took admission for "Graduate Marine Engineering"

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course in "TMC Shipping Private Limited" which he found approved by the Directorate with registration number RPSL-MUM-423. He alleged that he was charged 3.5 lakhs as course fee and another 3 lakhs for placement by the company "TMC Shipping Private Limited". He further stated that he was sent to the Maritime Training Institute (MTI) "TMA" for doing the course and where he completed the course. He stated that the MTI created his INDoS number and tried to send him on a Panama flag vessel as a Wiper.

- 2.2. The candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan stated that he along with his batch mates were sent to the MTI "Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Institute of Maritime Science and Engineering" (MTI No. 406027) for doing the "Basic Safety Training" and "STSDSD" courses. The candidate alleged that he attended the MTI only for one day and his signatures were taken.
- 2.3. On 11 / 07 / 2019, the candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan sent an email to the Directorate submitting evidence that he did not attend the courses at the MTI. The candidate was issued certificate for "Basic Safety Training" course bearing certificate number PKIMSE / STCW / 13 / 02 / 2018 on 20 / 06 / 2018. The certificate submitted by the candidate did not have the signature of the candidate, however, the principal and course In-charge signed the certificate without putting their name.
- 2.4. The candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan was also issued certificate for "STSDSD" course bearing certificate number PKIMSE / STSDSD / 13 / 02 / 2018 on 22 / 06 / 2018. The certificate submitted by the candidate did not have the signature of the candidate. The principal / Director Mr. Kanchana Alagiri and the course In-charge Mr. Narayana Murthy Gullapalli signed the certificate.


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2.5. The candidate also submitted the certificate he received from the "Institute of Marine Education and Training" (IMETA) bearing certificate number 2018 / 179 issued on 12 / 05 / 2018.

2.6. Upon receipt of the complaint from the candidate, the Directorate had sought authenticity of the complaint from the MTI vide its letter No. TR / TAR / 1(22) / 2010 STSDSD - 11, dated 26 / 06 / 2018. The MTI was requested to submit the details by 02 / 07 / 2019. The CEO of the MTI Mr. Tamilarasu visited the Directorate but did not submit any documents as evidence. The MTI had not submitted any reply till date.

3. **Deficiencies noted**

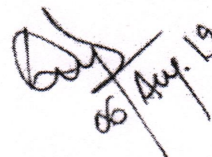
3.1. The candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan (INDoS No. 18ZL4178), alleged that he was admitted for a "Graduate Marine Engineering" course which was not approved by the Directorate in "TMC Shipping Private Limited" by "TMC Shipping Private Limited". The candidate was cheated because he was not aware that "TMC Shipping Private Limited" was a DG approved RPSL company with RPSL number RPSL No. RPSL-MUM-423 and not a Maritime Training Institute approved by the Directorate. He alleged that he was charged 3.5 lakhs as course fee and another 3 lakhs for placement by the company "TMC Shipping Private Limited". The candidate also submitted the certificate he received from the "Institute of Marine Education and Training" (IMETA) bearing certificate number 2018 / 179 issued on 12 / 05 / 2018 to prove his allegations.

3.2. The candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan (INDoS No. 18ZL4178) informed that the "TMC Shipping Private Limited" sent him to attend the "Basic Safety Training" and "STSDSD" courses at the MTI "Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Institute of Maritime Science and Engineering" (MTI No.

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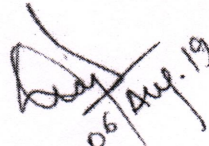
406027). The candidate alleged that he attended the MTI only for one day and his signatures were taken. The candidate submitted objective evidence to the Directorate to prove his allegations.

- 3.3. The candidate Mr. Alavala Vishnu Vardhan (INDoS No. 18ZL4178) was issued certificate for "Basic Safety Training" course bearing certificate number PKIMSE / STCW / 13 / 02 / 2018 on 20 / 06 / 2018 and certificate for "STSDSD" course bearing certificate number PKIMSE / STSDSD / 13 / 02 / 2018 on 22 / 06 / 2018. It was noticed that these certificates did not have signature of the candidate but were signed by the Course In-charge and Principal / Director.
- 3.4. As per the faculty details uploaded by the MTI, there is no Principal and the MTI is operating with only one faculty and two instructors. In such circumstances, it is evident that the MTI does not have faculty / instructors to teach for smooth conduct of DGS approved maritime course. The MTI is approved by the Directorate for one six months duration course and five modular courses.
- 3.5. During the period from 01 / 03 / 2019 to 30 / 04 / 2019, the MTI had conducted "Basic Safety Training" course for 30 batches totaling 695 candidates. It is evident that these course certificates were issued without imparting training as the MTI did not have the required resources like faculty / instructors during the said period for conducting the course for those candidates.
- 3.6. The MTI had admitted 48 candidates for batch No. 7 of the "Basic Safety Training" course. Whereas the MTI is approved for only 24 candidates / batch.
- 3.7. During the period from 01 / 03 / 2019 to 30 / 04 / 2019, the MTI had conducted "STSDSD" course for 33 batches totaling 760 candidates. It is


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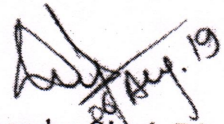
evident that these course certificates were issued without imparting training as the MTI did not have the required resources like faculty / instructors during the said period for conducting the course for those candidates.

- 3.8. The MTI had admitted 47 candidates for batch No. 17 of the "STSDSD" course. Whereas the MTI is approved for only 24 candidates / batch.
- 3.9. As per the records submitted by the MTI, there is no objective evidence to prove that the MTI had undertaken any Comprehensive Inspection Programme (CIP) grading required as per DGS Order No. 04 of 2016 dated 12 / 09 / 2016.
- 3.10. The MTI had not uploaded Time Table for the last 4 months and therefore not complying with Para 7 of DGS Training Circular No. 06 of 2019 dated 19 / 03 / 2019.
4. In view of the above serious major non-conformities, the Maritime Training Institute "**Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Institute of Maritime Science and Engineering**" (MTI No. 406027), is called upon to show cause as to why the following disciplinary action as given below should not be initiated.
 - 4.1. Withdrawal of all approvals granted to the MTI.
 - 4.2. Disciplinary action like blacklisting from being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping for a period of up to 5 years against the Trust "**Kamalam Sambandam Alagiri (KSA) Educational and charitable Trust**" and the Trustees of the Trust Mr. K. S. Alagiri, Mr. S. Soundrapandian, Smt. KSA Vatchala, Smt, KSA Santhi and Miss A. Anusaya.
 - 4.3. Disciplinary action like suspension of Certificate of Competency and all other certificates pertaining to the DG Shipping for a period of up to 5 years against the Principal Mr. H. Mohammad Mustafa Kamal (INDoS No. 00NL0996, CDC No. 47967, CoC No. IFOO10620), the Course In-charge, Mr. Narayana


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Murthy Gullapalli (INDoS No. 07EL1936, CDC No.A81277, CoC No. COC0015822) and any other faculty found involved in issuing course certificates to candidates without imparting the requisite training and misusing their Certificate of Competency for meeting the eligibility requirements of a faculty.

- 4.4. Disciplinary action like blacklisting from being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping for a period of up to 5 years against the RPSL company "TMC Shipping Private Limited", RPSL No. RPSL-MUM-423 for giving admission to candidates in non-DGS approved MTI in pretext of DGS approval for RPSL license.
- 4.5. Disciplinary action like blacklisting from being associated with any kind of business related to the Directorate General of Shipping for a period of up to 5 years against the MTI "TMA Jag Maritime Academy", the Section 8 company "TMA Jag foundation" and the director Mr. Neeraj Kumar for misleading innocent candidates.
5. Your reply to this Show Cause Notice may be submitted to this Directorate within 15 days from the date of issuance of this Show Cause Notice failing which the actions mentioned above shall be initiated.
6. This Show Cause Notice is issued with the approval of the Director General of Shipping and Additional Secretary to the Government of India in exercise of the powers conferred under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 as amended.



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Asstt. Director General of Shipping

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