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नौवहन महानिदेशालय, मुंबई
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

F.No.TR/TAR/1(12)/2017

Dated: 13.12.2019

ORDER OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL AND DE-RECOGNITION OF
INSTITUTE

Background:

The MMD Mumbai inspecting team conducted a surprise inspection of the Pragati Marine College at Belapur on 14.05.2019 from 1030 hrs till 1800 hrs. Subsequently on the finding of major non conformity by the inspecting team, the Directorate General of Shipping issued a show cause notice dated 04.06.2019 to M/s Pragati Marine College (MTI No.203064) located at Office No. 503, New Combay Co-operative Commercial Complex, Plot No. 43, Sector - 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai - 400614. In reply to Show Cause Notice, The MTI Pragati Marine College has forwarded the reply dated 10.06.2019. The details of Deficiencies, Reply given by the MTI & findings of the Directorate are as follows:

Deficiency 1:

The 22 candidates' details were uploaded in batch details for the "Basic Safety Training" course to be commenced from 13 / 05 / 2019 at 0938 hrs. On the day of inspection (14 / 05 / 2019), none of these candidates were present. The MTI, upon seeing the inspection team withdrew the candidature of these 22 candidates for the subject course at 1153 hrs on 14 / 05 / 2019. This clearly indicates that the MTI had intentions of issuing certificates to the candidates without imparting training. This objective evidence verified the authenticity of the information received at the Directorate. The list of the 22 candidates uploaded by MTI is given below.

Sl.No	Name of the Candidate	DOB	HSIDGS
1	Abhayjeet	12-Oct-1995	14EL1559
2	Ankush Dattaram Chaudhary	25-May-1981	06YL0067
3	Arvindkumar Narsinhbhai Tandel	25-May-1978	08DL0208
4	Divyeshkumar Karsanbhai Tandel	7-Apr-1987	19HL3063
5	Edwin Chinna Pasari	6-Sep-1996	19ZL4918
6	GURPREET SINGH	5-Apr-1970	19HL2944
7	Harish	4-May-1987	19HL2329
8	Jagir Chand	15-Sep-1988	00ZL3444
9	Kalbende Vijaykumar Nishant	30-Jun-1982	09HL6663
10	Kiran Dattatray Gaikwad	28-May-1994	19HL2392
11	NURMAMAD HARUN CHAUHAN	1-Mar-1977	19HL2353
12	Nayab Aijaz Pawaskar	12-Nov-2000	19ZM0208
13	Oswald Rodrigues	7-May-1989	13ZL5821
14	Paramhans Kumar Yadav	1-Jul-1987	09GL5141
15	Pawan Kumar	9-Aug-1987	18BL3176
16	Pradeep Chandra	3-Jun-1989	14HL6420
17	Pratik Kishor Hatkar	27-Dec-1994	19HL2393
18	Riteshkumar Thakorbhai Tandel	14-May-1984	01GL2114
19	Saiyad Assimuddin	5-Jun-1989	09CL1375
20	Shabaj Raja	6-Mar-1993	19HL2615
21	Sivakumar Muthaiah	15-Apr-1981	08ZL5121
22	Steven Louis Quadros	7-May-1980	19HL2440

Reply given by the MTI:

On the 13th May 2019, morning our faculty Capt. Ashish Kaushik called the institute to inform that he would not be in a position to take the classes due from that day onwards. Since he had to take his father to the Doctor for some emergency surgery. There were 22 candidates who made the booking and the candidates details were uploaded on the DGS website as mandated. Therefore,

they were looking immediately for a replacement, faculty so that the course could be started even if it was delayed by an hour or so. The timing could have been made up subsequently by late sitting. However, we were unable to find a suitable faculty and so the classes had to be aborted. The admin staff was told that course has to be withdrawn and all booking transferred to May 20th course after informing the candidates of the same and taking their concurrence. The staff overlooked the withdrawal of the course from the DG website and realized the same only when the Inspection team visited the office the next day. They immediately withdrew the course to fulfill the instructions given to them the previous day. This is a pure oversight and not acted with any mala fide intentions.

Findings of the Directorate:

The inspecting team of MMD Mumbai has physically verified during the inspection that against 22 candidates whose details were uploaded for BST course not even a single candidate was present at the institute premises on that given date. **The inspecting team of MMD, Mumbai was never informed about the reasons of so called cancellation of the class, no correspondence from Principal & management were produced, no order for transferring the batch was issued by the Institute and placed on the notice board and no effort was made to remove the names uploaded on DGS website was made.** It means that the Institute had intention to issue certificates to these 22 candidates without conducting the class, had there been no inspection on that date. **This is an act of deceit and dishonesty and a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1.8 (instances of fake certificate(s) issued by faculty / staff / institute) & para 5.3.1.9 (false submission of information to authorities) of DGS Order 05 of 2016.**

Deficiency 2:

The MTI had uploaded batch details for STSDSD course commenced on 10 / 05 / 2019 for 21 candidates. As per the attendance register, only 4 candidates

completed the course. However, the MTI had issued certificates to all the 21 candidates. The list of these 17 candidates who acquired certificate without undertaking the course is given below. The Course In-charge Capt. Ashish Kaushik (INDoS No. 00NL9169) signed 15 of these certificates for issuance. These certificates did not have photograph and signature of the candidate.

Sl.N	NAME	DOB	INDOS_N O	CERT NO	ISSD DT
1	Akshay Ashok Vahalkar	22-Dec-1996	19HL1677	20306414819061	11-May-2019
2	Ankush Dattaram Chaudhary	25-May-1981	06YL0067	20306414819062	11-May-2019
3	Arvindkumar Narsinhbhai Tandel	25-May-1978	08DL0208	20306414819063	11-May-2019
4	CHINNA PASARI EDWIN	6-Sep-1996	19ZL4918	20306414819065	11-May-2019
5	Denzil Kishor Dsa	6-Oct-1984	19HL2631	20306414819067	11-May-2019
6	Divyeshkumar Karsanbhai Tandel	7-Apr-1987	19HL3063	20306414819068	11-May-2019
7	GURPREET SINGH	5-Apr-1970	19HL2944	203064148190610	11-May-2019
8	Harish	4-May-1987	19HL2329	203064148190611	11-May-2019
9	Kalbende Vijaykumar Nishant	30-Jun-1982	09HL6663	203064148190612	11-May-2019
10	Mandeep Singh	3-Mar-1977	19HL2617	203064148190613	11-May-2019
11	Mozemil	3-Jun-1978	16SL1177	203064148190614	11-May-2019
12	NAIK SATIN PURSHOTTA M	19-Dec-1988	19HL2913	203064148190615	11-May-2019

13	NURMAMAD HARUN CHAUHAN	1-Mar- 1977	19HL2353	203064148190616	11-May- 2019
14	Nithin John Scaria	13-Sep- 1995	19HL2632	203064148190618	11-May- 2019
15	Sivakumar Muthaiah	15-Apr- 1981	08ZL5121	203064148190619	11-May- 2019
16	Steven	28-Jun- 1988	15HL5026	203064148190620	11-May- 2019
17	Yogesh Kumar	28-Oct- 1985	06ZL4620	203064148190621	11-May- 2019

Reply given by the MTI:

The institute has conducted the course of STSDSD with 21 candidates on May 10th, 2019 and completed the same as per schedule. All candidates have attended the same and were issued the certificates accordingly. However, as a matter of procedure certificates are only issued to those who have made part payments or token advance payments are not issued the certificates until the full payment is made. The receipts are also not issued to such candidates. The faculty and course in charge signed these certificates as the candidates do visit the office at different times to make the balance payments and collect their certificates. The staff then collects the money and completes the documentation of pasting the photographs, obtaining the candidates signature and also issuing the certificates. It is therefore practical to keep the certificates already signed by the course in charge and Principal. Needless to mention here that the attendance register is only as a back-up and not the procedure for recording of attendance taking place at all times and the same has been done.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The inspecting team of MMD Mumbai has verified themselves that the MTI had uploaded details of 21 candidates for STSDSD course, thereafter MTI had issued certificates to all the 21 candidates. 17 candidates acquired certificate without undertaking the course. The Course In-charge Capt. Ashish Kaushik (INDoS No. 00NL9169) signed 15 of these certificates for issuance. These certificates did not have photograph and signature of the candidate. The Directorate is not directly controlling course fee of the MTI's but MTI has no authority of holding original course certificate of the candidates after completion of the course. Further, it is the primary duty and responsibility of the Principal and course In-charge to verify the course certificate with the candidate's photograph and signature. The fact the Principal has signed these certificates without photograph & signature, clearly shows that the Institute and the Principal have made no efforts to verify that candidate being issued certificate has indeed attended the course. This also explains the overall modus of the Institute, viz. uploading the batch details on DGS website, not conducting the class, issuing certificates to those who have not undergone training and so on. This is again a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1.6 (instances of fraudulent issuance of certificates) , para 5.3.1.7 (instances of issuance of certificate(s) without conduct of course, or attendance by candidate(s)), para 5.3.1.8 (instances of fake certificate(s) issued by faculty / staff / institute) & para 5.3.1.9 (false submission of information to authorities) of DGS Order 05 of 2016.

Deficiency 3.

The MTI had uploaded batch details for "Basic Safety Training" course commenced on 6 / 05 / 2019 for 23 candidates. As per the attendance register, 7 candidates were not present for one or more courses out of the four basic courses. However, the MTI had not withdrawn the certificates of these 7 candidates. The list of these 7 candidates who tried to acquire certificate without undertaking the course is given below.

Sl. No.	Name	Date of Birth	Index No.	Roll No.	Issue Date
1	Chirag Krushnabhai Tandel	5-Dec-92	14GL1178		
2	Dnyaneshwar Shantaram Patil	1-Jun-75	06ZL6958		
3	Anil Nagra	15-Apr-81	04ZL0304		
4	GAGANDE EP SINGH	21-Jul-92	13HL6897		
5	HIRALKU MAR MUKUND BHAI TANDEL	29-Mar-96	19HL2753		
6	Premkumar Bhagwanji Tandel	25-Jun-72	01RL6410		
7	RANJEET SHARMA	6-Aug-98	19HL2680	203064307190418	17 May 2019

Reply given by the MTI:

On May 6th onwards the Institute conducted the BST course for 23 candidates and out of 23 only 17 candidates have attended the full courses and have thereby completed the training. The said 7 candidates who are

shown as having absented themselves have also attended the practical course & partly attended the course upto 13.05.2019. However, one Mr. Ranjeet Sharma attended the course fully but shown as absent. There was no reason to withdraw the name of the 7 mentioned in the SCN.

Findings of the Directorate:

The MTI has accepted that the candidates have partially attended the course. This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1.6 (instances of fraudulent issuance of certificates) , para 5.3.1.7 (instances of issuance of certificate(s) without conduct of course, or attendance by candidate(s))& para 5.3.1.9 (false submission of information to authorities)of DGS Order 05 of 2016.

Deficiency 4:

The MTI had uploaded batch details for STSDSD course commenced on 03 / 05 / 2019 for 24 candidates. As per the attendance register, only 13 candidates completed the course. However, the MTI had generated certificates for all the 24 candidates. The list of the 11 candidates who acquired certificate without undertaking the course is given below.

SIN	TID	CAND_NAME	DOB	INDOS_NO	CERT_NO	ISSD_DT
1		Akash Roy	13-Oct-1998	19ZL9693	20306414819051	4-May-2019
2		Alvito Fernandes	20-Mar-1993	14HL1704	20306414819052	4-May-2019
3		Chiragkumar Ashokbhai Tandel	21-Dec-1990	09CL1026	20306414819053	4-May-2019
4		Delip	9-May-1991	13ZL1865	20306414819055	4-May-2019
5		HIRALKUMAR MUKUNDBHAI TANDEL	29-Mar-1996	19HL2753	20306414819057	4-May-2019

6	Leo	18-Feb-1988	09SL4234	20306414819058	4-May-2019
7	PARASNATH HARICHANDRA	3-Oct-1986	19HL2685		4-May-2019
8	Pradeep Kumar	6-Dec-1988	07GL0849	203064148190516	4-May-2019
9	Premkumar Bhagwanji Tandel	25-Jun-1972	01RL6410	203064148190517	4-May-2019
10	Ram Kailash Dhojak	1-Jul-1994	11HL6513	203064148190520	4-May-2019
11	SHABAJ RAJA	6-Mar-1993	19HL2615	203064148190524	4-May-2019

Reply given by the MTI:

The institution has conducted the course of STSDSD with 24 candidates on May 03, 2019 and complete the same as per schedule. All candidates have attended the same and were deemed eligible to be issued the certificate accordingly. However, since 13 candidates balance payments were due, the certificate were signed by the faculty and course in charged and kept ready for issuance.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The MTI fails to provide any corroborative evidence in support of the claim (reply). It is the primary duty and responsibility of the Principal and Course In-Charge to verify the course certificate with candidates' photo and signature. This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016.

Deficiency 5:

The MTI had uploaded batch details for STSDSD course commenced on 03 / 05 / 2019 for 24 candidates. As per the attendance register, only 13

candidates completed the course. However, the MTI had generated certificates for all the 24 candidates. The course was completed on 04 / 05 / 2019 but the 13 candidates were not issued certificates. These 13 certificates were not signed by the candidates as required but signed by the Principal and Course In-charge Capt. Ramjit Ram.

Reply given by the MTI:

The institute has conducted the course of STSDSD with 24 candidates on May 03rd, 2019 and completed the same as per schedule. All candidates have attended the same and were deemed eligible to be issued the certificate accordingly. However, since 13 candidates balance payments were due, the certificate were signed by the faculty and course in charged and kept ready for issuance.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The Principal and Course In-charge Capt. Ramjit Ram issued the course certificate without verifying the photo and signature of the candidate. It is the primary duty and responsibility of the Principal and course in charge to verify the course certificate with candidate photo and signature. This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016.

Deficiency 6:

Video recording of practical training imparted for "Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting" (Basic Safety Training commenced on 06 / 05 / 2019) was not sighted. The records of video recordings are required as per DGS Training Circular No. 07 of 2016 dated 28 / 09 / 2016.

Reply given by the MTI:

Video recording for FPFF practical training for 06.05.2019 and many other recording were available. But same could not be located by the staff due to fear and pressure tactics by the Inspectors during inspections.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. One of the Trustee Dr. Dharmendra Chauhan was also available on the day of inspection. The MTI claim of having video recording of the practical's imparted to the candidates is not acceptable because till date they have not submitted any recording files. The MTI fails to provide any corroborative evidence in support of the claim (reply). This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016 and DGS Traing circular 07 of 2016.

Deficiency 7:

Biometric attendance records for candidates, faculty, and instructors not sighted for any course for the last three months as required by DGS Training Circular No. 04 of 2018 dated 23 / 01 / 2018.

Reply given by the MTI:

Biometric record of all candidates attending and attendance are recorded regularly and available the printout for the same are in our records.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The MTI fails to provide any corroborative evidence in support of the claim (reply). The members of the inspecting team from MMD Mumbai were available in the MTI for the entire day. One of the Trustee Dr. Dharmendra Chauhan was also available

on the day of inspection. During the course of Inspection the Institute could not provide any evidence of maintenance of bio-metric database. Biometric system is supposed to be always available in the institute in working condition to collect biometric attendance. This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016 and para 3 of DGS Training Circular 04 of 2018.

Deficiency 8:

The MTI was not found certified as per ISO 9001:2015 as required by item 1.8 of DGS Order No. 05 of 2016 dated 01 / 11 / 2016. In addition, the MTI has not undergone Comprehensive Inspection Programme (CIP) as required by para 9.3 of Training Circular No. 33 of 2018 dated 16 / 11 / 2018.

Reply given by the MTI:

The ISO certificates process was in progress and since the Pragati Marine College was temporarily suspended for a short period. We could not obtain the ISO certification and carry out the CIP inspection. The same was intimated to the DDG vide their email dated of 27th March, 2019 and requested extension of time for the same the institute was still awaiting the confirmation of the request from the DG Shipping office.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. As per STCW regulation I/8 the MTI is required to process ISO quality certificate within six months from the date of approval, whereas the approval was given to MTI on 12.06.2018, this is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016 and para 9.3 DGS Training Circular 33 of 2018.

Deficiency 9:

Five of the eighteen candidates present on the day of inspection claimed that they have obtained their INDOS number from the institute whereas the MTI had no objective evidence having applied for the same indicating that there may be parallel agency applying on behalf of the MTI. The MTI was found applying for the INDOS number without verifying physical documents and the original documents as required by DGS Training Circular 08 of 2019 dated 30 / 04 / 2019.

Reply given by the MTI:

The candidate attending the course with INDos number granted by the institute was as the earlier procedure. The said circular no. 08 of 2019 dated 30th April, 2019 was in the transition period wherein the circular also say that in the transition period until June 15,2019 INDoS cell would be generating the numbers. The institute states that this procedure was a new one and implemented with immediate effects not giving any lead time to the institute to prepare and train the staff.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. It is evident that the documents of the candidates were not verified at the MTI. The Directorate had organized a training on issuance of INDoS by using new utility. The Training was organized at IMEI, Navi Mumbai where most of the Mumbai and Navi Mumbai approved institute participated, thereafter the MTI had not followed DGS Training Circular 08 of 2019 dated 30.04.2019.

Deficiency 10:

Employment contracts and attendance records for the faculty member and instructors such as Captain Ashish Kaushik were not sighted.

Reply given by the MTI:

The employment contract of all faculty and instructor are available for perusal at the institute. However, understanding that at the time of the inspection the file could not be located.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply of MTI is not acceptable . The members of the inspecting team from MMD Mumbai were available in the MTI for the entire day. One of the Trustee Dr. Dharmendra Chauhan was also available on the day of inspection.

Deficiency 11:

The partitions provided for class rooms were found to be temporary and not sound proof. Library was found to be closed. Cafeteria was found not operational. Toilets for candidates were dirty.

Reply given by the MTI:

Partition provide for classroom was found to be temporary and sound proof: The institute states that it was inspected and approved by the DG Shipping prior approval and NO CHANGES to the structure has been made after that raising of this issue is in fructuous.

Library was found to be closed: The institute informed that library is usually kept closed to prevent any pilferage when the classes are in progress and no

candidates are using the same. The library is being opened prior to Lunch and break hours or as and when required.

Cafeteria was found non-operational: The institute informed that the candidates were served their meals in the designated cafeteria and as such they do have an operational cafeteria. However, meal and snacks are catered to by an external caterer maintaining wholesome meals which are taken by the Principal, faculty and Trustees whenever present at the institute.

Toilets for the candidates were dirty: The institute states that toilets are cleaned regularly and maintained neat and hygiene.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The MTI fails to provide any corroborative evidence in support of the claim (reply). This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1.11 (Serious lapses in the basic minimum prescribed for infrastructure) of DGS Order 05 of 2016.

Deficiency 12:

The premise of the MTI was found to be used by DGS approved RPSL shipping company by the name of "Celestial Ocean Ship Management Private Limited", RPSL No. RPSL – MUM – 480 (Approval valid till 12 / 10 / 2022).

Reply given by the MTI:

The institute states that the RPSL Company which has been licensed by the Shipping Master's Office and referred to SCN is not operating from the Institute premises as claimed by the inspectors. The RPSL Company has placed an advertisement outside our premises to solicit trained candidates so

as to provide them with onboard placements as and when available. This would greatly assist in the career of the candidates who are visiting the institute for the various courses. As is clearly evident from the address on the flex advertisement, it is of the company located at another location in the same building. The DGS is free to check up the registered address with the Licensing authority.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The MTI has flouted the DGS Guidelines by allowing RPSL to operate from the approved MTI premises. The claim of MTI that the Directorate may check the registered address of the RPS from the records is not acceptable because at the time of inspection MMD Mumbai surveyor's found that office of "Celestial Ocean Ship Management Private Limited", RPSL No. RPSL - MUM - 480 was operating from inside the MTI premises. This is a major non-conformity as per para 4.15.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016. MTI is not allowed to run any other business/ Flag courses from the DGS approved premises. The inspecting team physically verified and found the above said RPS office within the premises of Pragati Marine College. The photographs are available with the MMD Mumbai. It is a major non - compliance to DGS guidelines and a case of fraudulence by RPS as they have submitted wrong details of a registered address of RPS premises to Shipping Master Officer while operating from other place.

Deficiency 13:

The MTI was found to be used as hotel for prospective seafarers looking for jobs. (There was a candidate found staying overnight in the institute

premises who was not found doing any course. As per him he had stayed overnight in the institute and was present to sign a contract for the company. Sleeping arrangement such as pillows and beddings found in the in the EFA classroom).

Reply given by the MTI:

The institute also states that they have many rooms beside those being used for the classes authorized by DGS.

In order to maintain the security of the place some personnel are always available round the clock on the institute premises. The inspectors may have seen the off duty security person who was available on the site but in a room not being used by the designated classes.

Findings of the Directorate:

The candidate informed to the inspecting team that he is a candidate and not a security person of the MTI. The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable.

Deficiency 14:

Latest applicable IMO model courses for the approved courses were not sighted at the MTI.

Reply given by the MTI;

The institute states that the IMO Model Courses are available on the Institute premises and they do not know why the same was not sighted. It may have been misplaced at that time due fear from the inspectors. All these books and Course booklets were inspected at the time of the certification and approval inspection by the MMD/DG Inspectors.

Findings of the Directorate:

The reply given by the MTI is not acceptable. The MTI fails to provide any corroborative evidence in support of the claim (reply). This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1 of DGS Order 05 of 2016.

Deficiency 15:

The blank certificates of course were found to be a non-controlled document. No records maintained for blank certificates and certificates issued.

Reply given by the MTI:

The institute informed that records of all the certificates are available with them. However, no record of blank certificates maintained as it has not been mandated. Therefore, on completion of the ISO certification this would have been achieved.

Findings of the Directorate:

The MTI is accepting that they do not maintain records of blank certificate which means that the certificates are not controlled documents. This is a major non-conformity as per the Quarterly Management Systems.

Deficiency 16:

Fee receipt numbers 1501, 1503, 1513, 1517, 1518, 1523 and 1526 were found to be blank with no details in the receipt book. Also, receipts found not issued to candidates.

Reply given by the MTI:

The institute informs that fee receipts are issued only when the full payments are made. Until then only provisioning is done. Fee receipt not issued to the candidates will be handed over when the candidates approach their office to collect the same.

Findings of the Directorate:

This is a major non-conformity as per para 5.3.1.9 (false submission of information to authorities) of DGS Order 05 of 2016. Fee receipts must be given to the candidates.

The Owner of the Premises had issued a notice on 14.06.2019 to the Trustee of Pragati Education Trust to vacate the premises (where MTI is operational) latest by 14.06.2019, thereafter MTI vide letter dated 25.06.2019 requested to the Directorate for withdrawal of all the approved courses. Further MTI Pragati Education Trust vide letter dated 01.07.2019 again requested the Directorate for the closure of the Institute.

Some of the candidates who were issued with SCN to show cause have accepted that they obtained certificate from the Institute without attending classes and have been awarded a penalty of deactivation of their e-migrate facility for a period of one year. In view of the above it is evident that the MTI was not conforming to the DGS Orders/Guidelines issued from time to time. Some of these non-conformities were related to

- a) Issuance of course certificates to candidates without imparting training.
- b) Uploading batch details of candidates who did not attend the courses.

- c) Principal and Course In-Charge signing certificates of candidates without verification of the candidate (No photograph and signature of the candidate). Also, signing certificates for the candidates for whom there is no objective evidence of attending the course.
- d) Video recordings for practical training, biometric attendance and other records as required by DGS Training Circulars and Guidelines not available.
- e) Processing issuance of INDoS number without physical verification of documents.
- f) Improper issuance of fee receipts.
- g) Non-certification as per ISO standards as required.
- h) Substandard infrastructure and use of institute premises by other company.

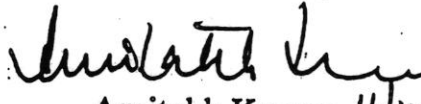
Now, therefore the undersigned, in exercise of the powers of supervision of maritime training as provided in Rule 75 of the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, certification and Watch Keeping for Seafarers)n Rules, 2014 notified under Section 78, 87, 88, 98, 456, 457 and 458 of Merchant Shipping Act, 1958, as amended, and in terms of para 5.5 of DGS Order No. 5 of 2016 for the preceding reasons spelt out, hereby de-recognizes the institute and also permanently withdraws all the approvals accorded to M/s.Pragati Educational Trust.

The MTI is directed to preserve all records pertaining to the attendance of faculty, candidates and biometric attendance, registers, video recordings and all such requirement as per relevant DG Order, Circulars and Guidelines

and present it to the DG authority as an when called for further investigation and verification.

Receipt of this order may please be acknowledged.

Yours Sincerely,


Amitabh Kumar
(Director General Of Shipping
& Additional Secretary to the
Govt. of India.)

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