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NOTIFICATION

About Secondary School Certificate requirement for getting Navigational / Engineering watch Rating Certificate for certain seafarers

As empowered by the Government in the exercise of its powers contained in Section 4(3) of the Bangladesh Merchant Shipping Ordinance 1983 vide the gazette notification no. 18.00.0000.019.16.003.14-138 the Director General hereby issues this notification to implement the STCW Convention.

Issuance of a Watch Rating certificate for every support level watch keeper on deck/engine is a requirement under the STCW Convention. To be eligible for such a certificate every seafarer is required to have among others an SSC certificate in Bangladesh, which is not a requirement of STCW 78 as amended. As a considerable number of Bangladeshi seafarers are presently working on board without an SSC certificate, it is deemed necessary, to implement the Convention, to waive the eligibility requirement of an SSC Certificate for those who have already completed 2 years sea service on board in the respective department.

This notification shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force till revoked.

Ref. No: 18.17.0000.022.99.001.20.118 Date: 06-12-2022 is hereby canceled.

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