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SUI-BMS NOTICE

On 10th November 2023, the delegates of SAILORS UNION OF INDIA SUI-BMS had a meeting with Shri. Shyam Jagannathan, I.A.S, the Director General of Shipping discussed various seafarers' issues and policy decisions in the shipping Industry. The following topics were discussed.

1. Formation of the **Judicial Committee** as per the MS Act 1958, Section,150.
2. Form a **Tripartite Redress Mechanism** for Seafarers grievance in all Seafarers Employment Office (SEO)
3. **Stop Embezzlement** in Article of Agreement (AoA) for Seafarers,
4. SUI demands for Seafarers Wage issues and other demands must be discussed in International Maritime platforms by the Govt immediately.
5. **Corrupted Officers** under Maritime Administration (DGS, MMD, DSEO) must be removed from their Posts,
6. **Death and disability** compensation of Seafarers must be given to the family immediately.
7. Self-Migration for repair Technicians (Non Seafarers) on foreign flag ships must be stopped.
8. **Death and disability** compensation of Seafarers must be given to the legal heir/ NoK directly, Not in the Workmen's Compensation Commissioner office.
9. **The DGS Order. No. 14 of 2023** must be discussed with the stake holders and implemented very soon.
10. The Seafarers' (Onboard) harassment by the shipping Companies Officials should be stopped at the earliest.
11. The **Rating Seafarers** should be allowed to appear for the Competency Examinations after 36 months' sea service
12. **All RPSL Companies** licence should be renewed once the Seafarers/ relatives/ NoK withdrawn their Allegations/ Complaints against them.
13. **If the seafarer's casualties** (death/ disability/ missing) resolved (given compensation) by the Shipping Companies, the concerned Maritime Authority should check whether the RPSL Agency violated RPSL/ MS labour Rules/ MS Act Norms, MLC 2006 etc. if, found guilty, suspend /cancel such RPS licence for Life time.
14. **If the DSEO** receive Complaints from Seafarers / union on behalf of Seafarers, the Director RPSL first call seafarers for hearing. NOT the shipping company.
15. **Stop issuing licences to the Non MBBS Medical Examiners.**
16. **Nominate Sailors Union of India** representatives in the statutory bodies under the Ministry of Shipping.
17. **Stop the issue of CDC** for 10th passed candidates based on five STCW courses.
18. DGS should discuss and implement the suggestion and recommendations proposed for the enhancement of SWFS by Sailors Union of India.
19. **Stream line the systems of SPFO** for final withdrawal of Seafarers provident fund, interest should be paid along with final withdrawal.
20. **SWFS** should introduce critical illness schemes for Seafarers who effected with following diseases like Cancer, Kindly failures, Liver failures, Parkisens, Brain tumours, Blindness etc..
The Directorate General of Shipping assured the delegates that, the necessary actions will be taken in this regards.

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