

Technical Circular

No.: 028/2021

Subject: DGS Order No. 21 of 2021 Reg Extension of the validity of ship sanitation certificate for all Indian registered vessels operating on the coast of India in view of COVID-19 outbreak.

- 1. In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Indian Administration vide DGS Order No. 21 of 2021 has advised that the validity of Ship Sanitation Certificate of all Indian registered vessels operating on the coast of India is further extended for a period up to **30** November 2021.
- 2. The above extension is subject to the condition that Master needs to ensure that the ship remains free of infection and contamination including vectors and reservoirs of transmission of diseases.
- 3. All records of disinfection and sanitization including inspections carried out are required to be maintained onboard for verification.
- 4. Ship owners/ operators and masters of Indian flagged ships are advised to be guided by above.
- 5. This Technical Circular supersedes and revokes earlier Technical Circular No. 125/2020, dated 17 October 2020.

Enclosure:

1. DGS Order No. 21 of 2021, dated 11 May 2021.



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DGS Order 21 of 2021

F.No. 25-17011/21/2020-NT-DGS

Dated 11.05.2021

Subject: Extension to the validity of ship sanitation certificate for Indian registered vessels operating on the coast of India in view of COVID - 19 Pandemic -reg.

1. The Directorate vide DGS Order No. 09 of 2020 dated 03.04.2020 had extended the validity of Ship Sanitation Certificate for all Indian registered vessels operating on the coast of India up to 30 June 2020 and this was further extended vide DGS Order 18 of 2020 dated 07 July 2020 up to 30 Sep 2020 and DGS order 30 of 2020 dated 13.10.2020 up to 31 March 2021.

2. Further, representations have been received from the industry requesting to further extend the validity of Ship Sanitation Certificate as they are finding it difficult to renew the said certificate in view of the ongoing second wave of the pandemic.

3. In view of the difficulties expressed by Industry and to continue to facilitate the operations of Indian ships on the coast of India during the COVID - 19 Pandemic, the validity of Ship Sanitation Certificate for all Indian registered vessels operating on the coast of India is extended for a further period up to 30.11.2021 subject to the condition that Master needs to ensure that the ship remains free of infection and contamination including vectors and reservoirs of transmission of diseases. All records of disinfection and sanitization including inspections carried out are required to be maintained on board for verification.

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