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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING,  
MUMBAI

File No. 23-MISC/3/2021-CREW-DGS

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**DGS Order No. 11 of 2021**

**Subject: Relaxation of educational qualification for admission to pre-sea courses of General Purpose Ratings and certificate course in Maritime catering and for issuance of CDC for the natives of Minicoy island of Union Territory of Lakshadweep belonging to Scheduled Tribe – reg.**

The Directorate General of Shipping has received request from the Union Territory of Lakshadweep (UTL), for relaxation of educational qualification for admission to 6 months GP rating course and 6 months certificate course in Maritime Catering (CCMC) and for issuance of Continuous Discharge Certificate (CDC) to the natives of Minicoy Island of UTL belonging to Scheduled Tribe (ST) category.

2. Whereas DGS Order No. 1 of 2017 dated 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 (F. No. 16-TR(1)/2005-II) allowed relaxation of educational qualification from the minimum requirement of “Xth Standard Passed”, to “VIIIth Standard Passed” to facilitate the natives of Minicoy Islands of UTL belonging to Scheduled Tribes to take admission in the pre-sea rating courses and obtaining CDC. The relaxation was for a period of three years and was valid upto 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2020.

3. The Director General of Shipping, Government of India, Mumbai considering the request of the UTL Administration, in exercise of powers conferred by clause (1) Section 456 of the Merchant Shipping, 1958 (as amended), on the Central Government and further delegated to the Director General of Shipping vide Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Government of India, notification No. SO No. 3144 dated 14.12.1960, is pleased to order that the relaxation granted vide DGS Order No. 1 of 2017 shall remain in force for a further period of three years i.e., up to 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.

  
(Amitabh Kumar) 9/3/21

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