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**CIRCULAR RELATING TO SEAFARERS RECRUITMENT AND PLACEMENT SERVICES (SEAMAN RECRUITING AGENTS) LICENCE FOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.**

To: Ship owners, managers, operators, masters, Officers, Crew, PSCO, Shipping agents, Seafarers recruiting and placement services (Seaman recruiting agent) and the Shipping community

For dealing with the impact of the outbreak of COVID-19 Department of Shipping, Bangladesh issued a circular on 26 April 2020 to apply relaxation on Seafarers Recruitment and Placement Services (Seaman Recruiting Agents) License where SRPS expiring before 1 October 2020 was extended for six months from the expiry date printed/typed on the License.

Taking into account that serious interruptions to the shipping industries are becoming long-lasting and uncertain as the consequence of the pandemic COVID-19. Hence Bangladesh reviewed/revised and updated the circular number 06/2020 in order to cope with the uncertain circumstances.

Seafarers Recruitment and Placement Services (Seaman Recruiting Agents) License which have expired or are expiring between 1 February 2020 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 (both days inclusive), shall remain valid. Seafarers recruitment and placement services (seaman recruiting agents) are not required to apply for the extension but may retain a copy of this circular.

During the revalidation of expired license, the new validity shall be issued for a period of two years from the original expiry date.

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