GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA Department of Revenue and Forest, Disaster Management, Relief and Rehabilitation, Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032 No: DMU/2020/CR. 92/DisM-1, Dated: 23rd April 2020

ORDER

Amendment to the Consolidated Revised Guidelines on the measures to be taken for containment of COVID-19 in the State

Reference:

- Revenue and Forest, Disaster Management, Relief and Rehabilitation Department Order No. DMU-2020/C.R.92/DMU-1, dated 25th March 2020, 15th April 2020, dated 17th April, 2020 and 21st April 2020
- Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) Dated 15th April, 2020, 19th April, 2020 and 21st April, 2020

In continuation to the Order No. DMU-2020/C.R.92/DMU-1, dated 17th April, 2020 and 21st April, 2020 of the State Government and in exercise of the powers, conferred under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee, hereby issues orders to *include* the following in these consolidated revised guidelines for the strict implementation by the concerned authorities of all the departments in the State of Maharashtra:

- I. Sub-clause (viii), (ix) & (x) under Clause 6 'A' on All Agricultural and horticultural activities:
 - viii. Facilities for export/import such as pack houses, inspection and treatment facilities for seeds and horticulture produce.
 - ix. Research Establishments dealing with the agriculture and horticulture activities.
 - **x.** Inter and intra state movement of planting materials and honey bee colonies, honey and other beehive products.
- **II.** Clause 8 (i) on Social Sector include bed side attendants and care givers of senior citizens residing in their homes.
- **III. Clause 13 (i) on Supply of essential goods include** food processing units such as bread factories, milk processing plants, flour mills, dal mills, etc.
- IV. Sub-clause (xv) under Clause 14 on Commercial and private establishments:
 - xv. Shops of electric fans.

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V. Sub-clause (iii) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons:

- iii. Sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement for the aforesaid purpose as per *attached Standard Operating Protocol (SOP)*.
- VI. Clause 19 (v) on Forest offices includes Forestry plantation and related activities, including Silviculture operations.
- VII. Sub-clause (k) under Clause 6 of the notification dated 25th March 2020 includes all pre-monsoon related works including Metro Rail works and any other such works permitted by the Municipal Commissioner of Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM), Pune (PMC) and Pimri-Chinchwad (PCMC).

Further it also orders that, as specified in the lockdown measures, social distancing and proper hygiene practices must be ensured in each of the above activities as well as the activities permitted by earlier orders. It will be responsibility of the head of the organisation /establishment to ensure compliance of such norms. The district authorities will ensure strict enforcement.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF MAHARASHTRA.

(AJOY MEHTA) (AJOY MEHTA) CHIEF SECRETARY GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Copy to:

- 1. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra, Mumbai,
- 2. Hon'ble Chairman, Maharashtra Legislative Council,
- 3. Hon'ble Speaker, Maharashtra Legislative Assembly,
- 4. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra,
- 5. Secretary to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra,
- 6. Private Secretary to Leader of Oppostion, Legislative Council / Assembly,
- 7. Private Secretaries of All Hon'ble Minister/Minister of State, Mantralaya,
- 8. All Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries of Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya,
- 9. Director General of Police, Maharashtra State, Mumbai,
- 10. Principal Secretary, Public Health Department, Mantralaya,
- 11. Secretary, Medical Education, Mantralaya,
- 12. All Divisional Commissioners in the State,
- 13. All Commissioners of Police in the State,
- 14. All Commissioners of Municipal Corporations in the State,
- 15. All District Collectors,
- 16. All Chief Executive Officers, Zilla Parishad,
- 17. All District Superintendents of Police in the State.

<u>Annexure</u>

Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement for the aforesaid purpose

(As per Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 21st April, 2020 and Revenue and Forest, Disaster Management, Relief and Rehabilitation Department, Government of Maharashtra Order No. DMU-2020/C.R.92/DMU-1, dated 23rd April, 2020)

Change of crew of ship (seafarers) is an important measure for operation of merchant ships. This SoP has been formulated to streamline the sign-on/sign-off of Indian Seafarer at Indian Ports for merchant shipping vessels. The following guidelines may be followed:

I. <u>For Sign-on</u>

- i. Ship owner/ Recruitment and Placement Service (RPS) agency will identify the Indian seafarers for joining a vessel.
- ii. The seafarers will intimate their travel and contact history for last 28 days to the ship owner / RPS agency by email, as per procedure laid down by Director General of Shipping (DGS).
- iii. The seafarer would be examined by a DGS approved medical examiner, as per the guidelines prescribed for this purpose. At the same time, the seafarer shall also be screened, and his travel and contact history examined for the last 28 days; seafarers found to be asymptomatic for COVID-19 and otherwise suitable may be processed for sign-on.
- iv. The local authority in the area where the seafarer resides will be intimated about his clearance for sign-on and for issue of a transit pass from the place of residence to the place of embarkation on the shipping vessel.
- v. The transit pass for such movement by road, for the seafarer and one driver, may be issued by the Government of the State / Union Territory where the seafarer resides.
- vi. The transit pass (to and fro) will be issued for a fixed route and with specified validity and will have to be adhered to strictly. Such transit pass would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State / Union Territory along the transit route.
- vii. The social distancing and other hygiene norms, as per standard health protocol, would be followed by the vehicle transporting the seafarer to his destination.
- viii. At the port of embarkation, the seafarer shall be tested for COVID-19; the seafarer would be ready to sign-on only if COVID-19 test is negative, failing which, action as per guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) would be taken.

II. For Sign-Off

i. The master of vessel, coming from any foreign port, or a coastal vessel from any Indian port, while arriving at its port of call in India, shall ascertain the state of health of each person on board the vessel and submit the Maritime

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Declaration of Health to the health authorities of the port and to the port authorities. In addition, the information required by the local health authorities. In addition, the information required by the local health authorities of the port, like temperature chart, individual health declaration, etc. shall also be provided by the master as per the directives of the health authorities of the port. Port health authorities shall grant pratique to the vessel prior to berthing as per necessary health protocols.

- ii. The Indian seafarer arriving on the vessel would undergo the COVID-19 test for confirmation that he/ she is negative for COVID-19. After desembarking and till the time the seafarer reaches the testing facility, within the port premises, it will be ensured by the ship owner that all safely precautions as per standard health protocol are observed.
- iii. Till the time test reports of the seafarer are received, the seafarer shall be kept in the quarantine facility by the Port / State Health Authorities.
- iv. If the seafarer tested positive for COVID-19, he/she will be dealth with as per the procedures laid down by MoHFW.
- v. For the seafarer tested negative and signed off, the Local Authority in the area where the seafarer disembarks will be intimated about his/ her clearance for sign-off, and for issue of a transit pass from the place of disembarkation to the place of his / her residence.
- vi. The transit pass for such movement by road, for the seafarer and one driver, may be issued by the Government of the State / Union Territory where the seafarer disembarks.
- vii. The transit pass (to and fro) will be issued for a fixed route and with specified validity and will have to be adhered to strictly. Such transit pass would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State / Union Territory along the transit route.
- viii. The social distancing and other hygiene norms, as per standard health protocol would be followed by the vehicle transporting the seafarer to his destination.

Note: DG (Shipping) will prescribe the detailed protocol with regard to sign-on and sign-off to be followed in the above cases.

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