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Government of India
Ministry of Shipping
MG Section

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Subject: Draft Ship Recycling Rules 2020


Sir,

International Maritime Organization adopted the Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships, 2009, which ensures that ships, when being recycled after the end of their operational lives, do not pose any unnecessary risk to the environment and to human health and safety. India acceded to this Convention on 28th Nov'2019 and subsequently 'The Recycling of Ships Act, 2019 (49 of 2019)' was enacted on 13th Dec'2019.


2. It is envisaged that the conditions required for enforcing the Hong Kong Convention would be fulfilled in the near future. The Government desires to have an appropriate subordinate legislation in place, addressing all the requirements of the Convention, so that by the time the same is enforced, all recycling activities are carried out in compliance with the Convention.

3. The Ministry of Shipping/DG Shipping has drafted Rules pursuant to Section 42 of the Recycling of Ships Act, 2019 (49 of 2019) after holding consultations with the primary stakeholders. Inter-alia, the Draft Rules focus on control of hazardous materials on ships and prevention of environmental damage by mandating ships to have a certificate on inventory of hazardous substances during the operational life and a ready for ship recycling certificate before calling a port for recycling. The rules also mandate a document of authorization for ship recycling by ship recycling facilities and insurance and adequate compensation for the temporary and regular employees engaged in a ship recycling facility to ensure compliance with the Convention.

4. All stakeholders are requested to provide their comments on the proposed draft Rules latest by 26th November 2020. The comments may be sent to the email id: **shiprecyclingrules2020@gmail.com**

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Yours faithfully

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