

**NOTIFICATION ON TRANSITION OF *I/N* PERSONNEL
TO MERCHANT NAVY**

1. Transition of *I/N* personnel to Merchant Navy has been formalised with the issue of Policy letter on 22 Sep 22 and Naval Maritime Academy, Mumbai (NAMAC) scheduled to commence conduct of Gap Competency courses in the near future. *I/N* personnel will now be able to smoothly transition to Merchant Navy in all levels with due recognition of *I/N* Sea Service and training. These courses will be available under DG(R) sponsored scheme in 2023.

2. In order to benefit the ESMs and those retiring in 2022/ early 2023, NAMAC, Mumbai has indicated that Gap Competency courses are ready to be conducted with a minimum batch strength of 10 candidates under self financing scheme. All courses are planned to be conducted online from 0830h to 1600h, 06 days a week. The following courses are ready to be conducted and will commence as soon as a minimum of 10 candidates are available :-

- (a) Deck FG
- (b) Electrical FG
- (c) Engineering FG
- (d) Engineering NCV

3. Personnel keen to take advantage of this unique opportunity for joining the Merchant Navy and enrolling for the Gap Competency Course are requested to contact Capt Raj Kumar, NAMAC at 9833133270. Serving officers can apply for these courses under Self Financing Scheme as per IHQ MoD(N)/ DESA policy letter DX/900/Policy dated 30 Jul 21.