## Captain of Ports Department



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Reference: Mandatory fitment of AIS on board Barges.

Kindly note that as per the minutes of the Constitution of Coastal State/UT Level Committees and Coastal district level Committees in the Coastal States/UTs to monitor manage and steer the various issues of the Coastal Security held under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Government of Goa, on 30/11/2016 the Captain of Ports Department has been directed to ensure that all Barges operating in the waters of Goa have to mandatorily fit Automatic Identification System (AIS) on board with immediate effect. Failure to comply could result in withdrawal of plying permission to the barge.

All owners of barges which are presently plying or in the process of plying are to ensure this requirement of fitting the AIS is met within a period of three months i.e. until 30/03/2017. No further consideration would be given in this regard.

Therefore, all owners/masters of the barges plying in the Inland Waters of Goa are hereby directed to ensure the compliance of the above directive.

Violation of the above will be viewed seriously.

Copy to :-

1. P.A. to Chief Secretary.

Shri. G. Jaiswal Secretary Ports.

 The District Commandant, Indian Coast Guard Goa. (Capt. James Braganza)
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## Forwarded to:-

- 1. All Barge Owners.
- 2. Dy. Collector, O/o. the Collector North Goa District, Panaji Goa.
- 3. The Superintendent of Coastal Marine Police, Panaji Goa
- 4. The Tech. Superintendent (Ports), COP Office, Panaji Goa.
- 5. The Goa Mineral Ore Exporters Association, Panaji.
- 6. The Goa Barge Owners Association, Vasco-da-Gama, Goa.
- 7. The United Bargemen Association, Vasco-da-Gama, Goa.
- 8. The Surveyor-In-Charge, Mercantile Marine Department, Mormugao.
- 9. The Deputy Captain of Ports, Mormugao.
- 10. The In-charge, Marine Slipway, Britona.
- 11. The Indian Navy, INS Mandovi, Verem.
- 12. Guard file.