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No. C - 23011/SPG/1204

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## CIRCULAR

Sub:- Permission to ply vessels/barges via Aguada Sand Bar on 22/05/2024 & 23/05/2024.

Ref:- Notice to Mariners No. C 23011/SPG/1086 dated 02/05/2024.

Whereas, vide Notice to Mariners No. C 23011/SPG/1086 dated 02/05/2024 had ordered closure of Aguada Sand Bar w.e.f. 00.00 Hrs of 21st May 2024 to 15th September 2024. And now requests have been received from exporters to allow navigation to cross Aguada Sand Bar in view of the scheduled export of ore.

The request was examined and based on the study of IMD Weather Reports the weather forecast appears to be good on 22/05/2024 & 23/05/2024 therefore the request for allowing navigation along the Aguada Sand Bar route is hereby permitted from 00.00 Hrs of 22nd May, 2024 till 20.00 Hrs. of 23rd May, 2024 subject to the following conditions.

- 1. The load carried by all vessels during the period mentioned above i.e. 00.00 Hrs of  $22^{nd}$  May, 2024 till 20.00 Hrs. of  $23^{rd}$  May, 2024 shall be 2/3rd of carrying capacity of the vessel.
- 2. Vessels/barges with extended Survey Certificate shall not ply from Aguada Sand Bar after 20th May, 2024 and this extended period is not applicable to such vessels.
- 3. All vessels plying should have proper insurance and normal survey certificate validity without extension.
- 4. All Owners/Masters/Crews/Fishing Vessels are required to exercise EXTRA CAUTION while navigating through the said areas as the Navigational buoys in the Rivers Mandovi & Zuari have been withdrawn. Extra lookout/watch keeper to be on duty to avoid any mishap.
- 5. Overtaking of vessels/barges from Mandovi Bridges to mouth of Mandovi river is strictly prohibited.
- 6. Master/Serang of all vessels shall adhere to the rules of navigation route strictly.
- 7. All Inland Vessels/Crafts to keep clear off ferryboats at ferry crossings.
- 8. This permission is liable to withdrawn anytime without giving notice or assigning any reasons thereof, without any right of claims whatsoever.
- 9. The navigation through Aguada Sand Bar from 21st May, 2024 onwards shall be at the sole risk and consequences of the vessel owner and operator and Government shall not be responsible

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