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## PRESS NOTE

## "PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE AGAINST SPREADING OF CORONA VIRUS- DSS/PMB TO REGULATE PASSENGER OCCUPANCY IN ALL VESSELS "

In order to contain and prevent spreading of infectious Disease, Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) in these Islands, the A&N Administration, decided to regulate the passenger occupancy in the vessels of Directorate of Shipping Services and private operators, with effect from midnight of 16.03.2020 till midnight of 26.03.2020.

All the vessels of the Directorate of Shipping Services and private operators, operating in the Mainland Island, Inter Island, Foreshore and Harbour ferry sector, shall carry only islander passengers upto 50% of their carrying capacity, from date mentioned ibid. No tourists shall be allowed to travel by private/government ferries. The above measure have been initiated to avoid crowding in the vessels and to facilitate the passengers to maintain a safe distance with co- passengers, so that the potential risk of spreading infection of COVID-19 can be restricted.

General public and commuters in this regard are <u>requested to cooperate towards the</u> <u>efforts of this Directorate and avoid travelling during Peak hours</u>, to the extent possible.

It is, further, advised that all passengers adhere to the following measures while travelling on board

- Avoid congregating in the vessel.
- Regularly and thoroughly clean hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.
- Maintain at least 1 metre (3 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.
- Make sure you, and the people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene. This
  means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough
  or sneeze.
- If you have a fever, cough or difficulty in breathing while onboard, inform the same to the ship staff and seek medical attention immediately.

Deputy Director (SS)

## Copy to:-

 The Chief Editor, The Daily Telegram, Port Blair with the request to publish the above sailing schedule in The Daily Telegram for two consecutive days.

2. The News Editor, AIR/Doordarshan, Port Blair with the request to announce suitable News in the Pradeshik Samachar/Dweep Darpan.