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Mr. Vijay Arora, Managing Director IRCLASS

After a hiatus of two years, the Indian Register of Shipping (IRS) hosted its India Advisory Committee Meeting as well as Customers and Stakeholder Meet in Mumbai

on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022, which saw good participation from the maritime fraternity. IRS' Advisory Committee Meeting and Customer & Stakeholders Meet is a regular annual feature and a go-to



Customer Meet

event in the Indian maritime calendar.

The meeting saw a good representation of the maritime industry participants and academia. A presentation on the recent updates with respect to fleet growth, upcoming regulations, new services, and initiatives, was well received. The topics covered included our efforts towards Decarbonisation, study on Alternate Fuels, IMO and EU regulations as well as our future plans.

Earlier in the day, IRS' India Advisory Committee Meeting was held where leading maritime industry professionals provided feedback and guidance to IRS for its growth. Members also complimented IRS for its role in working with customers towards achieving compliance goals. Several significant suggestions were received during the meeting and are being actively considered for implementation.

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Mr. Vijay Arora, Managing Director of IRS said, "Indian Register of Shipping is on a strong growth path and is ramping up its resources to enable speedier delivery of its services. We are actively investing in technology, research, and development towards capability building and strengthening our technical team and are extremely thankful to our customers & stakeholders whose support is critical for our organisation."

### About Indian Register of Shipping

Indian Register of Shipping (IRS) is an international ship classification society providing ship classification and certification as well as technical inspection services. IRS is a Member of the International Association of Classification Societies (IACS).

Covering a wide range of shipping, offshore and industrial projects, their team of dedicated professionals brings international standardisation and assurance to your doorstep. Please visit: <http://www.irclass.org>

## MARINE NEWS

# Horrific tragedy on COSCO bulker - of 21 crew 12 died, 9 in hospital, ship's unmanned

A horrific tragedy befell the 21 all-Chinese crew of COSCO bulk carrier **WU ZHOU 8** in Gulf of Thailand on Sep 30. In the afternoon MRCC Vung Tau and Vietnamese Maritime Authorities were alerted by distress call from the ship, reporting mass crew poisoning. 10 people died, the ship was some 130 NM southeast of Vung Tau, waiting for urgent medical assistance – well, any assistance. Vietnamese SAR ship approached bulk carrier and took on board 11 crew still alive, they've been transferred to



hospital in Con Dao islands, of whom 2 died, 1 while on the way and 1 in hospital, the remaining 9 are treated in hospital for food poisoning, their condition understood to be stable. Bulk

carrier is en route from Koh Si Chang Ancgorahe, Thailand, to China, her status as of 1940 LT (UTC +7) unknown, she's at best, anchored. Ship's position unknown, AIS is off.

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