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Indian Crew receive increased wages on foreign flag ships through revised agreement- Mr. AbdulganiSerang, General Secretary NUSI

Due to Covid, there is an economic recession worldwide which has also affected shipping. Despite this challenge, **National Union of Seafarers of India (NUSI)** was able to intensely negotiate and revise the wages and terms and conditions upwards for the ratings and petty officers on the foreign flag. **The revised agreement will benefit more than 50,000 seafarers.**



Stakeholders at Signing Agreement event

NUSI is pleased to inform all Indian crew that the NUSI dollar agreements for service on foreign flagships have been revised upwards. All ranks of ratings and petty officers will receive the following effective 1st January, 2022 till 31st December, 2023.

Revised Terms highlighted are:

- Basic Wages for all ranks of seafarers have been increased.
- Wage related items like leave, overtime have also been increased.
- “Diwali” and “Ramzan Eid” holidays has been included for first time.

- Provident Fund amount has increased for all ranks.
- The Additional Voluntary Contribution will continue to be deposited.
- Gratuity amount has increased for all ranks.
- Death compensation has been increased to US Dollar 1,08,012/- for 2022 and US Dollar 1,09,632/- for 2023. Compensation for each dependent child upto 18 yrs of age has been increased to US Dollar 21,603/- for 2022 and US Dollar 21,927/- for 2023.
- Disability compensation has been increased to US Dollar 1,08,012/- for 2022 and US Dollar 1,09,632/- for 2023.
- Employment to Ratings with COC as Officers has been taken up strongly and NUSI will bear all costs of skill enhancement and other training of such ratings.

This is yet another New Year gift to our NUSI members and their families who are very happy about the developments and the strong work done by NUSI. All this was possible because of crew's active and strong support and we will continue to improve upon these conditions in the near future. You are aware that your NUSI has always been trying to get the best working conditions for the seafarers. We wish you all a Happy & Prosperous New Year 2022. With warm regards, AbdulganiSerang, General Secretary cum Treasurer, NUSI. Executive Board Member- ITF.

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NUSI launches “NUSI Suraksha Kavach” Scheme Insurance to benefit seafarers and their families



Shri Amitabh Kumar, Director General of Shipping inaugurating “NUSI Suraksha Kavach”

Seafarers are covered by P&I insurance by their respective shipping companies while onboard the ships. In order to cover seafarers during leave/ ashore period after sign off, NUSI

launches new scheme which covers their life all through period ship & shore.

Gaining from the Covid pandemic experience and with a view to safeguard and to create awareness

about life insurance, NUSI has the pleasure to introduce “NUSI Suraksha Kavach” insurance for seafarers and their families in partnership with Life Insurance Corporation of

India (LIC) through LIC Jeevan Amar Policy.

Shri Amitabh Kumar, Director General of Shipping inaugurated “NUSI Suraksha Kavach” during the “NUSI-125 years” and the “Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav” celebrations. “NUSI Suraksha Kavach” welfare scheme will benefit NUSI members upto 60 years of age and features covered are:

- 1) The sum assured on death due to natural causes is **Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rs. Twenty five lakhs only).**
- 2) The sum assured on death due to accident is **Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rs. Fifty lakhs only).**
- 3) The yearly insurance premium will be paid by interested individual seafarers. NUSI will

reimburse part of this yearly insurance premium as per NUSI guidelines.

- 4) The insurance amount is in addition to Death Insurance covered by the company under Agreement.

NUSI endeavours to create more life insurance awareness and also facilitate our seafarers to be insured under this scheme which will go a long way in benefitting their families. The “NUSI Suraksha Kavach” is yet another New Year Gift for seafarers and their families.

Additionally, the NUSI General Body resolutions regarding 1) “Priority List” for seafarers in all modes of travel 2) Income Tax exemption during Covid pandemic were also submitted to the Director General.

NUSI Office Bearers, Executive Committee, Women Committee, Youth Committee and Branch Representatives and thousands of seafarers wishing Seafarers and their family a very **Happy and Prosperous New Year- 2022.**

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