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Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships

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To

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Sub: Nomination of Vice Chair for the Vessel Traffic Services Committee.

Sir,

Kind reference is invited to IALA Circular Letter No. IGO 2025/13 dated 09.09.2025, wherein Member States have been invited to nominate candidate for the position of Chair of the Legal Advisory Panel and Vice Chair of the Vessel Traffic Services Committee.

In this regard, India is pleased to nominate Mr. Ajaya Kumar Debata, Deputy Director General, Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships, for the position of Vice Chair of the Vessel Traffic Services Committee for the forthcoming term.

Mr. Ajaya Kumar Debata vast and diverse experience in the field of AtoN and Vessel Traffic Services. His knowledge and leadership will further strengthen the objectives of IALA and contribute towards the harmonization of Marine Aids to Navigation globally.

A detailed résumé highlighting his expertise and background is enclosed herewith for kind consideration.

Yours faithfully,


Digvijay Singh)
Deputy Director
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Encl : As above.



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Mr Ajaya Kumar Debata has good experience in planning, establishment and maintenance of Aids to Navigation in India and presently he is heading VTS Directorate, Gulf of Kachchh, Gujarat, India, one of the largest VTS in the world since April 2023 as per international requirements. He has assumed the duty of Deputy Director General of Lighthouses and Lightships on 24.04.2023.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Skilled Professional having excellent technical and Managerial Knowledge.
- Well versed with VTS Technical, operation issues, Audit of AtoNs and VTS Training.
- Vast knowledge on planning, establishment and maintenance of Aids to navigation.

EDUCATION:

Bachelor's Degree

- Bachelor of Science with Physics Honours from Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha in the year 1988.
- BE (AMIE Sec A &B) in Electronics and Tele-Communication Engineering in 1996 from Institution of Engineers, India.

Master's Degree

- Master of Engineering with Honours in Digital Systems from Motilal Nehru Regional Engineering College, Allahabad (Presently NIT) in 2002
- Master of Business Administration (MBA) in 2003 from the Indira Gandhi Open University, India.

TRAINING UNDERGONE:

1. Administrative Vigilance by Indian Maritime University, Kolkata.
2. SQL Server & Database Management by NIIT, Kolkata.
3. Diploma In Navtex System at M/s Danphone A/S, Alborg, Denmark.
4. IALA Level-1 AtoN Manager, IALA WWA, Saint Germaine En-lay, France.
5. IALA Master of AtoN Manager at IALA WWA, France
6. Microwave Antenna Design at Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, West Bengal, India

EXPERIENCE:

He joined Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships in July 2006 and held responsible positions in the department as mentioned below:

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| (i) | Assistant Executive Engineer (Electronics): | 27.07.2006 to 02.04.2012 |
| (ii) | Deputy Director: | 03.04.2012 to 18.03.2018 |
| (iii) | Director: | 19.03.2018 to 23.04.2023 |
| (iv) | Deputy Director General: | 24.04.2024 to Till Date |

While carrying out duties in the above-mentioned positions, details of responsibilities and work experience includes:

1. Planning & establishment of few Lighthouses in Andaman & Nicobar Group of Islands.
2. Establishment of many AtoNs in West Bengal, Odisha and Andhra Coast
3. Executed the work of establishment of remote monitoring and control system in Andaman & Nicobar group of Islands
4. Executed the work of establishment of remote monitoring and control system in West Bengal, Odisha and Andhra Coast.
5. Executed the work of establishment of Automatic Identification System under Kolkata Directorate, West Bengal.
6. Headed MNTI and conducted 02 Level-1 AtoM manager courses.
7. Conducted many workshops at MNTI.
8. Executed establishment of NAVTEX under Kolkata Directorate.
9. Establishment of Solar Power Plants at all the AtoN station under Kolkata Directorate.