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FREE HYDROGRAPHIC COURSE AT THE NATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC SCHOOL, GOA, INDIA (03 November 2003 – 05 June 2004) (Recognized at Level B of the International Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors)

Reference: IHB CL 15/2002 dated 15 April 2002.

Dear Hydrographer,

1. The Fifth Hydrographic Course for personnel from Indian Ocean Littoral States, as announced in the above Circular Letter, commenced at the National Hydrographic School, Goa in October 2002 and will be completed by the end of March 2003. This course will be followed by a practical phase of eight weeks on Indian Naval Hydrographic Ships, and is due to finish on 25 May 2003.

2. The Chief Hydrographer to the Government of India has now informed the IHB, on behalf of the Indian Government, that there will be a Sixth Hydrographic Course for personnel from Indian Ocean Littoral States, financed by India, at the National Hydrographic School, Goa in 2003 – 2004.

3. The Course will commence on Monday 3 November 2003 and the theoretical part (including field practice) will end on 10 April 2004. This phase will be followed by an eight week practical training phase onboard an Indian Naval Hydrographic Ship. The second phase will start on 12 April 2004 and end on 05 June 2004. For this course, a maximum of 6 male trainees can be accepted and nominations from any Indian Ocean littoral state will be considered. The second phase, i.e. the practical training onboard an Indian Survey ship, is also available to other countries in addition, under a Self-Financing Scheme. The training charges for afloat attachment under the self-financing scheme would be approximately Indian Rupees 4500/- per week. In addition, charges towards messing, laundry and other personal incidentals will be payable as per actuals.

4. The support provided by the Government of India will cover accommodation, food, medical expenses, internal travel and a reasonable living allowance to cater for food and small out-of-pocket expenses. Free air travel to and from the respective countries could also be considered in a few cases as per Government of India policy.

5. Interested government authorities responsible for hydrography should forward the nominations of their candidates (Annex I) to the:

Joint Secretary (TC) Ministry of External Affairs 1011 Akbar Bhawan Chankya Puri New Delhi - 110 021 Tel/Fax : +91 11 26883553

through the Indian Embassy in their country. A copy of this application should also be endorsed to the:

Director of Naval Training, Sena Bhawan, Naval Headquarters, New Delhi – 110 011, India Fax : +91 11 3794855 and The Chief Hydrographer to the Government of India, National Hydrographic Office, P.O. Box 75, 107-A, Rajpur Road, Dehradun - 248 001, India

Fax : +91 135 748373

Nominations must reach the above authorities by 31 May 2003.

6. The selection process will be strict and it is essential that candidates are employed by the hydrographic office or the port authority of their country. The nomination must be originated by the employer and should include a statement specifying that the candidate will be employed in the government or port authority service once he has successfully completed the course.

7. The educational requirements are : education to college level including mathematics and physics. The candidates should also be in possession of a bridge watch-keeping certificate on a naval/ocean-going vessel or equivalent. A good knowledge of English is also necessary, as the course instruction will be in English.

8. The course programme will cover the syllabus specified for Category "B" level in the Eighth Edition of the Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors.

On behalf of the Directing Committee Yours sincerely,

(original signed)

Captain Hugo GORZIGLIA Director

Encls :-	Annex 1 – Nomination Form
	Annex 2 – Acceptance Form
	Annex 3 – Logistics

Copied to: Comores, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mauritius, Myanmar, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Somalia, Tanzania.

Annex 1 to CL20/2003

COURSE ON HYDROGRAPHY (Level B) AND FOLLOW-UP

(03 Nov 2003 to 05 June 2004)

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NOMINATION FORM FOR PARTICIPATION

A completed nomination form should be submitted to the "Joint Secretary (TC), Ministry of External Affairs, 1011 Akbar Bhawan, Chankya Puri, New Delhi - 110 021, India, through the Indian Embassy, with a copy to the Director of Naval Training, Sena Bhawan, Naval Headquarters, New Delhi - 110 011, India and Chief Hydrographer to the Govt. of India, National Hydrographic Office, Post Box No.75, 107-A, Rajpur Road, Dehradun – 248 001, India. Nominations should be made as early as possible, using a separate form for each nomination, indicating clearly the Government's priority if more than one participant is nominated.

1.	FAMILY NAME FIRST NAME OTHER NAME
2.	NAMES OF BOTH PARENTS
3.	Mailing Address
	Telephone
	Fax
	E-mail
4.	Nearest airport where air travel will commence and terminate :
	Name of airport
	Location
5.	Date of Birth
6.	Place of Birth
7.	Nationality
8.	Passport No Valid up to
9.	Date and place of issue Issuing Authority

10.	Person to notify in case of emergency :
	Name
	Address
	Telephone
	Fax
	E-Mail
11.	Present position and description of duties
12.	Educational background
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13.	Previous Experience
	Nominee's signature

The above mentioned person is nominated as our first / second possible participant in the course. It is certified that he is medically fit for the course including afloat attachment.

Name and signature of government official authenticating this nomination.

Title

ACCEPTANCE FORM

I hereby accept the invitation of the Government of India to participate in the 6th Course on Hydrography (Level B) and Follow-up (from (03 November 2003 – 05 June 2004). I confirm that : -

- 1. I will refrain from engaging in political, commercial and any activities other than those governed by the course programme;
- 2. I will advise the Indian Government immediately if I am unable to attend the course.

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LOGISTICS

Students are required to arrive in Goa on 02 November 2003.

Accommodation: Twin-bedded room (two students per room) for the first phase. The accommodation onboard the Indian Naval Survey Ship for the second phase will be as per availability.

Medical expenses will be provided.

Nominal out- of-pocket allowance living allowance will be provided to the students.

Assistance in obtaining a visa may be provided by the Chief Hydrographer to the Government of India, but in principle should be the responsibility of the national organisations.

The climate in Goa is moderate with temperatures ranging from 20°C to 35°C for most of the year. Rains heavily during monsoon period from June to September.

Free air ticket to and from the country of the candidate may be provided in a few cases.