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Subject: DMA / AIFI01 - ALL FLEET VESSELS/ DA-11, Precautions to avoid grounding during cargo loading and unloading (at anchor or berth) at various ports including home ports

TO ALL FLEET VESSEL

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In The Name Of God

*Good Day,
Dear Sir*

Considering the recent grounding incidents one of fleet vessels during loading and unloading operation at one of INDIAN ports, refer to furthure DA11 - DMA/AIFI/97/C 970 (12/12/2018), it is imperative that esteemed masters need to take appropriate measures to prevent the risk of grounding.

In doing so followings shall among those measures to be considered:

- 1. A proper risk assessment shall be carried out to identify related hazards / risks and effective measures to be taken to eliminate and/or minimize said hazards.***
- 2. Voyage instruction shall be well studied and understood for any limitation at berth.***
- 3. Company's requirements for under keel clearance shall be complied with.***
- 4. All events to be duly recorded in deck log book.***
- 5. At the first opportunity actual sounding around vessel, especially on jetty side shall be taken and compared with chart data and the received information from concerned parties as per voyage instruction.***
- 6. The correct density of water shall be used for draft / trim calculation.***
- 7. Avoid unnecessary excessive trim by stern so far as practicable.***

8. *Loading condition, vessel's stability and actual draft shall be continuously checked.*
9. *Last stage of loading is more critical specially while trimming the cargo to reach to the desired trim and drafts.*
10. *If in doubt about the available depth of water, commercial department and concerned parties shall be immediately notified.*

You are requested to confirm receipt , discuss the contents in the next consolidated meeting on board and keep a copy in DA-11 file.

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