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To,

The ED - N & H Asset.
ONGC, WOU,
Vasudhara Bhavan,
Bandra (E),
Mumbai 400 051.

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Subject : Excess persons on board (POB) at Heera Complex resulting in violation of safety norms.

Respected Sir,

We are in receipt of application from crew member of Heera Platform regarding excess persons on board i.e. 280. Please find enclosed the copy of same for your perusal.

The same problem was faced by the crew on SHP as there were around 500 persons on board. Crew members requested the OIM on Board who has shown his inability to solve the issue. Ultimately "Hunger strike" notice was served to ED - MH Asset and "Hunger Strike" was observed on SHP. To resolve the issue of excess POB, crew members on SHP were on Hunger strike for more than 15 hrs. Due to Hunger Strike action initiated and POB was brought down to around 300 from 500.

As far as safety is concerned it will be very difficult to manage if anything happens on platform. We have faced such problem on BHN when it collapsed due to fire in 2005.

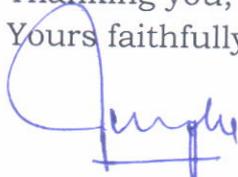
Once again we are committing the same mistake of compromising safety this time in Heera Platform by over stepping the norms of POB. The capacity of the said platform is around 180 POB and at present there are 280 POB. Excess POB on platform is not only unsafe practice but also creates multiple problems as mentioned below;

- Due to excess persons on board employees are exposed to food shortage.

- There is load on urinals and toilets and it cannot be cleaned properly with the available Housekeeping employees on board. The toilets frequently gets chocked causing over flowing of human waste, stinking all over.
- Bed sheets are not changed for contract labours at least for 15 days which creates unhealthy atmosphere on platform.
- This loads the medical service also as only one doctor is available on board.
- Majority of contractual manpower on board are untrained, hence creates chaos on platform if anything happens on board like fire.
- Unhygienic condition prevails in the entire platform due to excess manpower as enough housekeeping staff is not available on board.
- The catering service, housekeeping and medical services are designed to serve for 180 persons on board as a result all safety norms are violated.

It is understood that the excess POB to and extend is being brought down but this circumstances of over POB in platform keeps repeating. Your esteemed authority is requested to desist from such scheduling of POB.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,



(Pradeep Mayekar)
General Secretary

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