



# OIL & NATURAL GAS CORPORATION (WOU) KARMACHARI SANGHATANA

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To,  
The ED -HDS,  
ONGC, WOU,  
11 High, Bandra Sion Link Road,  
Sion,  
Mumbai- 400 017.

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**Subject: Operational problems faced by crew members and requirement of equipment for smooth operation on Rig Sagar Ratna**

Respected Sir,

We are in receipt of complaints regarding equipment's and machinery on the Rig Sagar Ratna by our crew members. Due to poor maintenance or lack of maintenance of old equipment, operations of the rig are getting hampered, there are every possibility of fatal accident on the rig. In fact, it is the responsibility of the Rig Manager or OIM on the Rig to maintain proper schedule of maintenance, where casual approach is observed, information shared by working hands are not considered seriously.

It's pertinent to mention that the boys in the field are not officers but certainly highly experienced with years of exposure, we are concerned because such volatile situation may cost the life of our crew members. Please find attached copy of the letter for your perusal, which is self-explanatory.

Following are the serious operational issues, which require immediate precautionary action to avoid any unwanted incidents on the Rig.

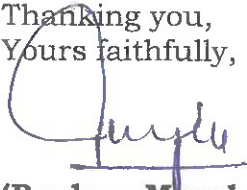
- **Excess Material and Chemicals:** On the main deck blocked spaces creating obstacle in the smooth operational activities. Excess unwanted material or chemical should be removed from the main deck at the earliest.
- **Urgent and immediate requirement of following items:**
  - 1) New 4 Way slings (16mm x 10 Ft. x 11 Ton)
  - 2) Safety lines of capacity 7 Ton and 30 Ton without thimble.
  - 3) New Safety Hooks and 'D' Shackles of different capacities are required for smooth and safe operation.
- **Pendants Lines** of the cranes on boards needs to be inspected and be replaced as they are overdue for replacement.
- **Replacement of Broken Window Glasses** of the crane to be fitted urgently as winter season is commencing from Nov-24. Wipers of crane also not in working condition, should be replaced immediately.
- **Navigations/Obstruction Lights** on the Crane boom, Mast and Legs should be made operational to facilitate the night chopper landing in case of emergency.

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- **Railing of "Monkey Board"** is in dilapidated condition requires re fabrication or replacement. Presently railing is temporarily welded which is very unsafe.
- **NDT Survey** of the Monkey Board should be done on regular intervals.
- **BOP Lifting Winch** is in poor condition needs immediate overhauling. Presently it is being operated in very unsafe condition, risking individual's life who are working near BOP.
- **The MAST** needs to be centred; off centred MAST is creating difficulties for inserting slips during drilling operations.
- **Two Way Communication System from Monkey Board to Driller's cabin/ Rig floor** is non-operational. It is very important means of communication between the Top Man and Driller during drilling operation or in case of emergency.
- **The Gratings in the Pit Room and Texas Deck** are damaged and rusted, needs to be replaced.
- **Overhauling of the Cranes** should be taken on priority to arrest the oil leakage from the cranes.

Your esteemed authority is requested to kindly look into the matter and immediate action be taken for repairing or replacement of the equipment. At the same time action for procurement of required material also be initiated for smooth and safe operations on Rig.

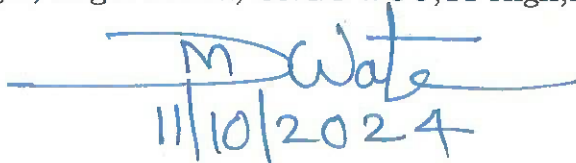
Thanking you,  
Yours faithfully,



**(Pradeep Mayekar)**  
**General Secretary**

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