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To,
All the Shipping Companies

**Sub : Levy of Damages on Delay Payment of Provident Fund Contributions And Administrative Charges thereon After 30 Days from the Date on Which The Wages Became Payable to The Seafarers**

It was decided in the 142nd Board of Trustee meeting held on 18.07.2022 that damages/ penalty / charges on late receipt of Provident Fund contributions should be levied with effect from the end of succeeding calendar month in which seafarer has signed off and same was forwarded to Ministry for approval. However, Ministry informed that proposed changes in the grace period for late deposit of Provident Fund (PF) contributions by Shipping Companies will be considered through an amendment to the Seamen's Provident Fund Scheme by way of notification subject to legal vetting.

2. It has also been decided in the 153rd Board of Trustee meeting held on 15.12.2025 that matter may be take up with the Ministry after legal vetting for amendment in SPF Scheme.

3. Hence, you are, therefore, requested to ensure that the remittances are made to the Seamen's Provident Fund Organisation within 30 days from date on which the wages became payable to the seafarers.

4. Keeping in view of the above, it is informed that no submission will be entertained to increase the grace period for the levy of damages.

Yours faithfully,

(Capt. Nitin Mukesh)
Commissioner