



**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
MINISTRY OF MARITIME AFFAIRS  
DIRECTORATE GENERAL PORTS & SHIPPING  
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**Notice to all ship owners, Operators, Masters, Officers, Ratings, and those concerned  
with maritime Trade**

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**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION OF KOREAN REGISTER (KR) AS A RECOGNIZED  
ORGANIZATION (RO) TO PERFORM STATUTORY CERTIFICATION  
SERVICE.**

**PURPOSE:**

This circular serves to inform all stakeholders that the Directorate General of Ports and Shipping (DGPS) has officially authorized Korean Register (KR) to perform statutory certification and services on behalf of the Administration, in accordance with the IMO Code for Recognized Organizations (RO Code) [IMO Resolution MSC.349 (92)].

**BACKGROUND:**

In line with our commitment to ensuring maritime safety and environmental protection, DGPS has entered into an agreement with Korean Register, a classification society that complies with the standards set forth in the RO Code. This authorization enables KR to carry out surveys, inspections, and certifications required by international conventions and national regulations for vessels flying the flag of Pakistan.

**SCOPE OF AUTHORIZATION:**

Under this agreement, KR is authorized to perform the following functions on behalf of DGPS:

**SURVEYS AND INSPECTIONS:**

- Conduct initial, annual, intermediate, and renewal surveys as mandated by international conventions such as SOLAS, MARPOL, and Load Line Conventions.
- Perform inspections to ensure compliance with national maritime regulations.

**CERTIFICATION:**

Issue, endorse, and renew statutory certificates, including but not limited to:

- International Load Line Certificates
- International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificates
- International Ship Security Certificates
- Safety Construction Certificates

**PLAN APPROVALS:**

Review and approve ship plans and documents to verify conformity with applicable standards and regulations.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

Effective immediately, ship owners and operators may engage KR for the statutory services outlined above. It is imperative that all parties ensure vessels are surveyed and certified by recognized organizations authorized by DGPS to maintain compliance with international and national maritime requirements.

**COMMUNICATION AND OVERSIGHT:**

DGPS will maintain oversight of the activities conducted by KR to ensure adherence to the agreed standards and procedures. Regular audits and reviews will be conducted as part of our compliance monitoring program.

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