

Disaster Management Department – Deputation of Sri. Soju Arippa, Assistant Section Officer is deputed in connection with filing Admiralty Suit related to the MSC ELSA 3 Incident – Sanctioned - Orders issued.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.421/2025/DMD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 25-06-2025

Read 1 Note No. DoECC/288/2025-E4 dated 25/06/2025 received from Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change.

2 Minutes of the Chief Secretary meeting held on 17.06.2025.

<u>ORDER</u>

As per the decision of the review meeting chaired by the Chief Secretary on 17.06.2025, the Environment Department has been designated as the Nodal Department for all legal and procedural matters related to the MSC ELSA 3 shipwreck incident. The Department is initiating legal proceedings under the Admiralty (Jurisdiction and Settlement of Maritime Claims) Act, 2017, and will shortly be filing an Admiralty Suit.

In this connection, the Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, has requested that a competent officer be deputed to the Office of the Advocate General, Ernakulam, to assist in finalising and filing the suit on 26.06.2025.

Government are pleased to depute Mr. Soju Arippa, Assistant Section Officer, Disaster Management (A) Department [Mail Id :revenuedmdk@gmail.com, Mob : 9562760507] to be present at the Office of the Advocate General, Ernakulam, on 26.06.2025, for the above purpose.

> (By order of the Governor) BINDU C VARGHESE ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

The Accountant General (Audit)(A&E) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

The Advocate General, Ernakulam

Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change.

Environment Department

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