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### Grading History

<b>Name of the Course</b>	<b>Grade</b>
Diploma in Nautical Science (DNS)	ICRA Grade 2
B. Tech. Marine Engineering	ICRA Grade 2
Graduate Marine Engineer Programme (GME)	ICRA Grade 2
Personal Safety and Social Responsibility (PSSR)	ICRA Grade 2
Oil Tanker Familiarization Course (OTF)	ICRA Grade 2
Elementary First Aid (EFA)	ICRA Grade 2
Personal Survival Techniques (PST)	ICRA Grade 2
Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting (FPFF)	ICRA Grade 2
Radar Observer Course (ROC)	ICRA Grade 2
Automatic Radar Plotting Aids Simulator Course (ARPA)	ICRA Grade 2
Second Mate Function	ICRA Grade 2
Training of Trainers & Assessors (TOTA)	ICRA Grade 2
Radar, ARPA & Navigation Simulator Course (RANSCO)	ICRA Grade 2

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The assigned grading takes into account the adequate infrastructural facilities provided by the institute for training its students. Grading also takes into account the healthy examination results for B.Tech. students and satisfactory placement records for DNS students, though institute's ability to provide satisfactory placement for its GME course and B.Tech course students is yet to be demonstrated. The examination results are average for the students of DNS course. The institute experiences difficulty in hiring faculty due to the location of the institute and fulfils the shortfall by inviting visiting faculty. Further, limited training opportunities are provided to the faculty for upgrading their skill sets. Grading of the courses like TOTA, RANSCO and Second Mates Function is constrained due to the low number of students trained in these courses in the last few years.

### Institute Profile

International Maritime Institute (IMI) was founded in 1991 as IMI Ltd., a closely held public limited company, by a group of twelve ex-seafarers. The institute was set-up as a small venture with individual contributions made by the members of the promoter group, with the main promoters - Capt. A. K. Kohli and Capt. G. P. S. Bhalla holding around 54% of the capital. IMI commenced operations with the Pre-Sea Deck Cadet course from a rented farmhouse in Vasant Kunj, New Delhi. With the DGS permitting private institutes in maritime education in 1997, IMI purchased its own premises in Greater Noida (current location), and offered its first DGS approved Pre-Sea Deck Cadet course in 1997. To comply with the new DGS requirement, a Section 25 company by the name of International Maritime Institute was floated in December 2003 to run the DGS-approved courses. At present, IMI offers 1 year Diploma in Nautical Sciences (DNS), 1 year Graduate Marine Engineering (GME) and 4 years B. Tech Marine Engineering course besides 10 modular and competency courses.

<sup>†</sup> For complete rating scale and definitions, please refer to ICRA's website [www.icra.in](http://www.icra.in) or other ICRA Rating Publications.

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