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UAE to amend the UAE maritime code (UAE federal law no.26 of 1981) by end of 2017

The UAE shipping industry is considered to be the global shipping hub because of its geographic location and the services provided. However, since the industry is facing many challenges in the recent years, UAE government has decided to amend and update the existing UAE Maritime Code to cover both common and civil law principles that encourage both foreign and domestic investment in the UAE's maritime sector.

In order to achieve its goal, the UAE Federal Transport Authority, has announced its idea to amend and update the UAE Federal Law No 26 of 1981 which is also named as "UAE Maritime Code". The amendment aims to address those areas which the existing maritime code fails to address.

The UAE Maritime Code, has a number of Sections that deals with many issued including but not limited to the registration of the vessel, the Documents, the ownership of vessel, the right to lien the cargo, mortgage and arrest of the vessel, chartering, carriage of people, collision, salvage, general average, marine insurance time bar of marine claims etc.

The UAE officials have, together, agreed that the UAE maritime code needs a wide range of amendments in various sections to overcome its lacunas and has thus decided to amend the Sections regarding the Ownership of Vessel, The role, responsibilities and obligations of the Shipping Agents, operation of the foreign vessel in the waters of UAE, power of the Port Authority etc.



**THOUGHT
for
the MONTH**

*"We can never
obtain peace in the
outer world until we
make peace with
ourselves."*

- Dalai Lama

The existing UAE Maritime Code allows the vessel to be registered in UAE registry if it is owned by a 100% percent UAE National or by a Company wherein the UAE National holds 51% of the shares. Under the existing UAE Maritime Code, a foreign national is not allowed to register their vessel.

The draft bill of the amendment has considered changing the current scenario of registration / ownership of the vessel to 100% UAE national to

foreign ownership and is expected to attract more foreign investors.

Further, the UAE Maritime Code is silent about the liabilities and responsibilities of the Shipping Agent. Whenever any dispute was listed before the UAE Court, the Court used it invoke Article 8 of the UAE Maritime Code, wherein the UAE Courts are allowed to apply International Conventions, Maritime Customs etc to tackle the dispute before them. However, the New Amendment would now include

a Separate Clause, to regulate the role, responsibilities and obligations of Agents, including but not limited to all categories namely, Shipping Agent, Port Agent, Cargo Agent etc.

Due to the geographic location of the country, UAE has the advantage of being the connecting place between various other countries and once the amendments have come into force, the shipping Sector of UAE is likely to boost the growth of the economy of UAE.

WAR ON 4G TESTS



4G phones otherwise known as the 4th Generation of wireless mobile communication technology is now taking India by storm. The said technology has opened doors for people from different communities in the country to come together, from education to business. Mobile networks in India are in a rat race to provide services with respect to the said technology. To test the fastest network, a speed test was

conducted by Ookla for data connection and speed various networks. The test results later announced that in India, Barathi Airtel provides the fastest speed for data connection compared to other networks in India.

The said results have gone against the other network operators with the most affected operator being Reliance Jio, who have been providing various offers for its customers. The said result has dealt a huge blow to Reliance Jio, while Barathi Airtel has been promoting the said result in their advertisement stating that they are the fastest network provider in India. Reliance Jio on the other hand has had to counter act the same by filing a complaint before the Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI). Reliance Jio has questioned the method of computing the said fast track test

and also accused the speed test provider, stating that they had earlier approached Reliance Jio to provide results in their favour. The Fast Track Complaint Committee which had taken the matter into consideration has passed an order directing Airtel to "modify" or "withdraw" the advertisement in which it claims to be "officially the fastest network".

Airtel has stated that the advertisement was broadcasted based on the results of the speed test result provided by Ookla. The organisation is also standing on their terms stating that, the test conducted by them was genuine and that Airtel has been providing the fastest network and the test results for the year 2016 and 2017 were the same. Bharathi Airtel is now planning to move for an appeal against the said order.

10 Tips for a healthier heart

Are you concerned about your heart health?
Here are some tips to help you look after your heart

- 1. Quit smoking now** - Twelve months after quitting, your increased risk of dying from heart disease will be half that of a continuing smoker.
- 2. Improve your diet** - Include wholegrain cereals, legumes, fruits, vegetables, seeds and nuts in your diet and lower your risk of heart disease.
- 3. Exercise regularly** - Walk briskly for 30 minutes a day and reduce your risk of heart attack by one third.
- 4. Maintain your friendships** - People with supportive friendship networks are at less risk of heart disease.
- 5. Eat more fish** - Oily fish like tuna, sardines or salmon are rich in omega-3 fatty acids and will boost your good cholesterol.
- 6. Switch your chocolate choice** - Switch from milk chocolate to dark chocolate. When eaten in moderation, dark chocolate is good for your heart.
- 7. Limit your alcohol** - It is recommended you limit yourself to no more than two standard glasses of alcohol a day if you are a man, or one glass a day if you are a woman.
- 8. Avoid salty and high sodium foods** - Don't add salt when preparing or eating your meals.
- 9. Have a diabetes test** - Uncontrolled diabetes can damage your artery walls and contribute to heart disease.
- 10. Make fitness fun** - Choose activities that combine exercise and socialising like pilates, water aerobics, dancing, cycling or yoga.

Norway to build world's first shipping tunnel

Norway plans to build the world's first tunnel for ships, a 1,700-metre (5,610-feet) passageway burrowed through a piece of rocky peninsula that will allow vessels to avoid a treacherous part of sea.

Construction of the Stad Ship Tunnel, which would be able to accommodate cruise and freight ships weighing up to 16,000 tonnes, is expected to open in 2023. It will be 36 metres (118 feet) wide and 49 metres (162 feet) tall and is estimated to cost at least 2.7 billion kroner (\$314 million). Norwegian Transportation Minister Ketil Solvik-Olsen had said Wednesday that sea currents and underwater topography in this part of the country's southwestern coast "result in particularly complex wave conditions." "We are pleased that the ship tunnel now becomes reality," Solvik-Olsen said, adding that travel time between Norwegian cities and towns in the area would be

reduced. Over the years, plans for a ship tunnel in Stad had been floated but now a project with a financing is ready, he said. The tunnel is expected to be located at the narrowest point of the Stadlandet peninsula and the weather has for decades been considered an obstacle for shipping. Project manager Terje Andreassen said engineers will have to blast out an estimated eight million tonnes of rock to build the tunnel. Construction is expected to start at the earliest in 2019. Under the plan, passenger traffic will be given priority but leisure boats and other vessels can also use the tunnel. It will be free of charge for vessels measuring less than 70 metres (230 feet), and vessels longer than that would have to be led. Vessels sailing through the tunnel likely will get slot times from a traffic centre - like planes at an airport - to avoid congestion.

-The Independent

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