MUMBAI PORT TRUST
MARINE DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is issued for the information of all concerned that the applications to operate water taxi service from Ferry Wharf to Mandwa.

There has been an exponential rise in passenger traffic between Gateway of India and Mandwa. Besides, scheduled launch service there is a demand for on demand service such as road taxi, for passengers/tourists who are willing to pay for such service.

Considering that 'Gateway of India' is crowded (and often leads to chaos) it has been decided to permit water taxi service from Ferry Wharf to Mandwa. Applications are invited to operate 'Water Taxi Service'. Craft operating under 'Water Taxi Service' should meet following criteria:

(1) Craft should be catamaran or any other design with twin screw with a capacity of minimum 10 passengers or maximum 30 passengers,

(2) Age of the craft should be less than 10 years,

(3) Should have designed speed of not less than 20 knots, which should be certified by appropriate authority/recognized society surveyor,

(4) Should be equipped with navigational and control equipment commensurate with speed,

(5) Should be fitted with GPS, AIS & VHF,

(6) Seating arrangement should be such that passengers are not at risk of injury due to sudden rolling/pitching,

(7) Sufficient number of lifebuoys,

(8) Life jackets are to be such type that can be donned quickly,

(9) Craft to have valid Certificate of Registration and Survey,

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(10) Valid Insurance policy covering Wreck Removal, Pollution cleanup, injury/loss of life of passenger,

(11) Passenger Boat License issued to be valid and renewed every year,

(12) Port dues and water conveyance

Criteria for application :

Operator should have ;

(a) Experience in operation of passenger water transport or similar experience such as manning & technical managing of crafts,

(b) Own or charter the craft,

(c) Operator has to provide online information to MbPT and MMB with details such as online request of passenger, time of intended travel and number of passengers.

Mumbai Port Trust will award maximum ten licenses. Thus if one applicant that offers highest percentage share of revenue on passenger ticket will be awarded one license. For balance nine license all qualified applicants will be asked to match the highest offer. If more than nine applicants are ready to match the offer, then a draw will be taken out to select nine applicants.

Permission will be granted for operating from 0600 hrs to 2100 hrs. during fair weather season only. Successful applicant has to commence operation immediately within six months in any case within three months from the award of license failure to do so, permission will be cancelled.

Applicant has to submit application in two cover systems one sealed cover will contain technical details of the craft including certificates. Another sealed envelope will contain financial offer of maximum percentage share of the revenue per passenger. Both sealed covers will be put in a sealed envelope with super scribe as “Water Taxi Services from Ferry Wharf to Mandwa”.

Applicants are to be submitted by 1500 hours on 30th May, 2017 at Deputy Conservator’s office, Mumbai Port Trust, Port House, 1st floor, Shoorji Vallabhdas Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai 400 001. Applications may also be submitted online at dc@mbptmail.com .

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