

s.s. "SAFINATUL HASSAN" - Suction Cutter Dredger.
 s.s. "AMINUL BAHR" - Suction Cutter Dredger.
 m.s. "QASEEMUL BAHR" - Tanker.

Refer Calcutta Surveyors' letter dated 19.9.56 regarding outstanding surveys due on account of lack of drydocking facilities.

Each of the above mentioned ships, built in 1953, are classed with service limits "For River Service in East Pakistan"

In each case examination in dry dock is long overdue, and in a letter dated 15.9.56 from the Owners' Agents to the Calcutta Surveyors it would appear that there are no drydocks or slipways in East Pakistan which can take in ships of the size and type of these dredgers.

Before these cases receive consideration IT IS SUBMITTED the Calcutta Surveyors be requested to advise:-

- (a) if there are no slipway facilities in Chittagong for examination of these ships,
- (b) if the river waters in which the ships operate are normally detrimental to the ship's steelwork, and
- (c) the difference in the ordinary high and low water marks around Narayanganj, and if favourable, whether the ships could be accommodated on blocks on the hard of sufficient height to enable the Surveyors to satisfactorily survey the bottom plating, sternframe and rudder.

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