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## ABBREVIATIONS

ABP	Associated British Ports
ABS	American Bureau of Shipping (Classification society)
ACM	Asbestos containing material
AERB	Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (India)
ARSIWA	Articles of Responsibility for Internationally Wrongful Acts 2001 (ILC)
ASSBY	Alang and Sosiya Shipbreaking Yard
BAN	Basel Action Network
BC	Basel Convention
BELA	Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association
BIMCO	Baltic and International Maritime Council. (Trade organization representing ship owners, brokers, agents and others)
BSBA	Bangladesh Ship Breakers' Association
CA	Competent Authority
CBR	Central Board of Revenue (Pakistan)
CETP	Combined effluent treatment plant
CFC	Chlorofluorocarbons
COP	Conference of Parties
CPA	Chittagong Port Authority
DASR	Document of Authorization to conduct Ship Recycling
DEFRA	Department for Environmental and Rural Affairs (UK)
DEMOLISHCON	BIMCO's standard contract for the sale of a vessel for scrapping
DfT	Department for Transport
DNV	Det Norske Veritas
DWT, dwt	Deadweight tonnage – the carrying capacity of a ship when fully loaded. Includes cargo, bunkers, water ( boilers, ballast and potable), stores, passengers and crew
EA	Environment Agency (UK)
EC	European Community
ECHR	European Court of Human Rights
ECJ	European Court of Justice
ECOSOC	UN Economic and Social Council
EEZ	Economic Exclusion Zone
EMSA	European Maritime Safety Agency
EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency
EWSR	European Waste Shipment Regulation
FIDH	International Federation of Human Rights
FNV	Federati Nederlandse Vakbeveging - a federation of Netherland Trades Union
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GEPIL	Gujarat Enviro Protection and Infrastructure Ltd.
GL	Germanischer Lloyd classification society
GMB	Gujarat Maritime Board

GMS	Global Marketing Systems (cash buyer)
GRI	Global Recycling Initiatives
GSL	Global Shipping LLC
GSSDF	Green and safe ship dismantling facility
GT, gt	Gross tonnage. Internal capacity of a ship measured in units of 100 cu. ft.
GPCB	Gujarat Pollution Control Board
HPC	High Power Committee (India)
HSD	Hariyana Ship Demolitions Pvt. (India)
IA	Intervention Application (India)
ICAM	Integrated Coastal Area Management
ICZM	Integrated Coastal Zone Management (EU)
IGO	Intergovernmental Organization
ICIMH	International Certificate on Inventory of Hazardous Materials
IHM	Inventory of Hazardous Materials
ILC	International Law Commission (UN)
ILO	International Labour Organization (UN)
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMO	International Maritime Organization (UN)
INTERCARGO	International Association of Dry Cargo Ship Owners
INTERTANKO	International Association of Independent Tanker Owners and Operators of Oil and Chemical Tankers
IRRC	International Ready for Recycling Certificate
ISRA	International Ship Recycling Association
JWG	Joint Working Group
IPOS	Indian Platform on Ship Breaking
LDC	London Dumping Convention 1954
LDT, ldt	Light displacement tonnage - the actual weight of the ship, excluding cargo, stores, fuel, ballast, passengers and crew and used to calculate its scrap value
LR	Lloyds Register of Shipping (Classification bureau)
MARAD	US Maritime Administration
MARPOL	International convention for the prevention of pollution from ships 1973 as modified by the 1978 Protocol (MARPOL 73/78)
MCA	Maritime and Coastguard Agency (UK)
MEA	Multilateral Environmental Agreement
MEPC	Marine Environmental Protection Committee (IMO)
MoEF	Ministry of Environment and Forests (India)
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPT	Mumbai Port Trust
NCL	Norwegian Cruise Lines
NGO	Non-Government Organization
NK	Class Nippon Kaiji Kyokai, Japan classification society
NORAD	Norwegian Agency for Development Co-operation
OEWG	Open-ended Working Group

PAH	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
Panamax	Largest size of ship able to transit the Panama Canal. Typically 65, - 85,000 DWT
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyls
PCIJ	Permanent Court of International Justice
PIC	Prior Informed Consent ( <i>Art.6, Basel Convention</i> )
POP	Persistent Organic Pollutants
PIL	Pacific International Lines, Singapore
PISC	Platinum Investment Services Corp. based in Monrovia, Liberia
PPE	Personal protection equipment
PBI	Priya Blue Industries Pvt. Ltd. (India)
PVC	Polyvinyl chloride
RINA	Royal Institute of Naval Architects Also Registro Italiane Navale (Classification society)
Ro-ro	Roll-on, roll-off vehicle ferries
SBC	Secretariat of the Basel Convention
SCMC	Supreme Court Monitoring Committee on Hazardous Waste (India)
SDI	Ship Decommissioning Industries Corporation
SPCB	State Pollution Control Board (India)
SRO	Statutory Regulatory Order (Bangladesh)
SRF	Ship Recycling Facility
SRP	Ship Recycling Plan
SYBAss	Superyacht Builders Association
TBT	Tributyl tin
TEC	Technical Experts Committee on Management of Hazardous Wastes relating to Ship breaking (India)
TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act (USA)
ULCC	Ultra Large Crude Carrier. Tanker of 320,000 DWT and above
UN	United Nations
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organisation
VCLT	Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties 1969
VLCC	Very Large Crude Carrier. Tanker of 200,-320,000 DWT
WTO	World Trade Organisation
YPSA	Young Power in Social Action

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