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Dated 25th May, 2023

Subject: Development of Greenfield Port at Vadhavan, District Palghar, Maharashtra by M/s Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA)

Dear Shri Gharat

Please refer to your Letter No. PPD/MI/Vadhavan/MoEF &CC/2023/514 dated 18.05.2023 on the above mentioned subject. It is to convey that MoES does not provide any permission for mining of burrow pit sand. However, it is recommended that comprehensive EIA studies be conducted by monitoring currents, water quality and marine ecology for pre and post dredging. Further, since dredging involves increased suspended concentration, impact analysis using numerical modelling for pre and post dredging be conducted and mitigation measures to be drawn for protection of marine ecosystem.

With kind regards,

Yours Sincerely,

Shri V.G. Gharat, Dy. General Manager (PP&D), Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority 1502, Express Towers, Ramnath goenka Marg, Nariman Point, Mumbai-400021.