Commencement of 'Container Terminal Associate Course' by VPPL for the Youth of Vadhvan in Association with GTI

Navi Mumbai, November 25th, 2026: As a part of the Vadhvan Port Skilling Programme, Vadhvan Port Project Ltd. (VPPL) has commenced a new course named, 'Container Terminal Associate Course,' today. It is organised in association with one of the terminal partners, Gateway Terminals India (GTI) for students from the Vadhvan region.

This Skill Development Programme aims to educate and train youth to become Container Terminal Associates in various fields such as HSSE, Operations, and Engineering. It will foster inclusive growth, enhance employability, and build a skilled workforce aligned with the logistics and port sector.

Speaking at the occasion, **Gaurav Dayal, IAS, CMD, VPPL,** said, *"With the commencement of this new course under the Vadhvan Port Skill Development Programme, in association with GTI, we are taking a decisive step towards ensuring that the people of this region are true partners in the growth of Vadhvan Port. This course will equip our youth with industry-relevant, globally benchmarked skills."*

He further added, *"Our larger purpose is to create lasting prosperity for the communities who call this region home, by investing in their skills, their futures and their aspirations. We are grateful to GTI for being a valued partner in this journey, and we remain steadfast in our resolve to ensure that the progress of Vadhvan Port is shared by every family around it."*

The programme spans 1.5 years, comprising six months of training followed by a one-year apprenticeship. The training will be given by industry experts from GTI. After the initial six-month training period, students will receive a stipend as per the apprenticeship act. This course will be certified by the Logistics Sector Council under NSDC.

As Vadhvan Port takes shape as one of India's most significant maritime gateways, VPPL remains steadfast in its ongoing endeavour to ensure that the development of Vadhvan Port translates into tangible opportunities for the local community through sustained investment in skills and education.

About VPPL:

Vadhvan Port Private Limited (VPPL) is the 13th major port of India, a special purpose vehicle (SPV) formed between Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) and the Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB). Strategically located in Palghar district, near Dahanu, Maharashtra, VPPL is poised to be among the top 10 ports globally. The foundation stone for the port was laid on August 30th, 2024, by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi.

Committed to sustainability, VPPL will be 100% green from inception, ensuring minimal environmental impact. The port is set to enhance trade efficiency with the capacity to handle 24 million TEUs, stimulate economic growth, and contribute to regional development. Through initiatives like the Vadhvan Port Skilling Program, VPPL focuses on empowering local communities.

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