## PORT MANAGEMENT BOARD PRESS RELEASE

In exercise of the powers vested in him under Rule 4 of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Inland Vessels Rules, 2016, the Honorable Lieutenant Governor (Administrator), Andaman and Nicobar Islands is pleased to order the extension of the plying permission of the existing inland vessels, not built under class and registered under the said Rules beyond 05.01.2019, subject to the following conditions:

1. The extension shall be allowed on case to case basis initially for a period of one year upto 05.01.2020 subject to clearance of enhanced Hull examination and certification on additional safety parameters by IRS and subsequent clearance by IV Surveyors of A&N Administration.

2. These vessels shall be further subjected to survey at six months intervals by IV Surveyors of A&N Administration on payment of twice the fee of survey prescribed in Schedule-II of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Inland Vessels Rules, 2016.

3. No new boats, not built under class, shall be added to the list of existing vessels.

4. The subsidy scheme promulgated by A&N Administration towards procurement of new vessels in order to address the issue of phasing out of the old existing vessels may be availed by the owners.

5. Extension beyond 05.01.2020 and upto 05.01.2021 shall only be considered on case to case basis, provided the boat owners submit a written letter/declaration specifying the date of decommissioning of the existing boat/purchase order of new boat and subject to clearance by IRS and IV Surveyors of A&N Administration.

6. No extension of any kind shall be granted to the existing Inland vessels not built under Class beyond 05.01.2021.

Sd/-Chief Port Administrator F. No. 1-19/PMB/SUV/GENL-IV/2017 /394