## PRESS RELEASE

Government of India have approved the construction of a Fishing Harbour at Thengaipattinam in Kanyakumari District at a cost of Rs.40.00 crores under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme. This fulfills the long standing demand of the fishermen of Kanyakumari district. The proposed project site is located at Thengaipattinam about 37 km from Nagercoil on the west coast of Kanyakumari district. The site is located in the estuary of Thamirabarani river. The fishing harbour will be a model fishing harbour to be constructed with two berthing facilities and auction halls, net mending sheds, gear sheds and other facilities with the HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Central Point) requirement for export trade. The fishing harbour will provide employment opportunities to about 10,000 persons onboard fishing vessels and 1000 persons onshore based activities. The fishing harbour will also help to earn foreign exchange to the tune of about Rs.50.00 crores annually.

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A Press Release on the construction of a Fishing Harbour at Thengaipattinam in Kanyakumari District is kept below (both Tamil and English) for necessary action.

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Secy. to CM (M.D.)