

**SOP FOR DREDGING & DUMPING PERMISSION**

1. Request letter from the firm / company/organization who wish to carry out dredging and dumping work (for the maximum period of one month only), must submit following documents:

- a. The photocopy of the work order from respective company.
- b. The work order should mention the quantity and the area to be dredged along with the location of dumping ground.
- c. Photocopies of all valid requisite certificates and licenses of all vessels which are engaged in dredging and dumping.
- d. In case dredging is not completed within the stipulated time, the company must request an extension.
- e. Declaration from the firm/company/organization undertaking the liability and responsibility of monitoring and controlling the movements and dumping of the dredged materials.
- f. The details such as nature of materials to be dredged, schedule/actual date of commencement of work and schedule/anticipated date of completion work to be provided
- g. The firm shall submit an undertaking that no hazardous materials will be dumped at the dumping ground location.
- h. The firm shall submit copy of statutory clearances such as environmental clearance etc... if any, obtained for the said dredging works.

2. On the basis of the documents submitted, the permission may be given to the company. The permission letter shall contain the following points but not be limited to:

- i. Granting of permission
- ii. Permission to transit the harbor only.
- iii. Location of dumping ground
- iv. The time / period of dumping.
- v. The vessels engaged in dredging should have all valid certificates and should comply with all statutory regulations.
- vi. The vessels/ barges mentioned in the document provided should only be used until the permission period. No other vessels will be allowed for the above work.
- vii. If there is any violation of the terms, MbPA has right to revoke the permission at any time without giving any notice.
- viii. If it is noticed that the silt is dumped anywhere in the harbor other than MbPA approved dumping location, the contractor has to remove the same at his own cost to the satisfaction of the MbPA CE department.

ix. The vessels engaged in dredging and dumping should maintain continuous listening watch on VHF Ch-12 till the time the vessel is in Mumbai port limits.

x. The vessels shall take permission from the Mumbai VTS before proceeding to and from the dumping ground and before and after the completion of dumping of the dredged material at the dumping ground. 61387/2023/DCMD 7

xi. The vessel engaged in dredging/dumping should not proceed in the Mumbai Harbor without informing Mumbai VTS on VHF Ch- 12. In case there is no reply from Mumbai VTS, the vessel should wait, and only after confirmation from Mumbai VTS, the vessel/ barge should start moving.

xii. All the vessels engaged in dredging and dumping shall have operational navigational equipment's for safe navigation in the harbor as per applicable regulatory guidelines. AIS should be operational at all times and should never be switched off.

xiii. Company / firm / dredging contractor will be responsible for the keeping logbook for the movement of all the vessels which are engaged in dredging and dumping. The logbook shall include but not be limited to the name of the vessel, GPS position of the vessel, time of commencement, time of completion of dumping and quantity of dredged and dumped materials.

xiv. The responsibility of monitoring and controlling the dredging and dumping operation to ensure that the operations are carried out as per the tender document and applicable regulatory guidelines lies with the organization who wishes to carry out dredging and dumping works. Mumbai port authority shall not be held liable for the monitoring of dredging and dumping operations.

xv. Dredging report to be submitted after every 15 days in order to continue the dredging and dumping activity.

xvi. The dredging permission is granted for the above period subject to weather conditions.

xvii. The dumping barge shall avoid entering main channel.

xviii. Evidences/records of dumping at dumping ground in the form of pictures, videos etc... should be maintained.

xix. The firm/organization will be responsible for maintaining the records of the movements of vessels engaged in dredging operation, area of dredging, quantity of dredged material, evidence of dumping and any other related information as and when required by any government agencies.

xx. A digital position tracker should be fitted on each vessel engaged in dredging and dumping, and the recording should be kept available.

xxi. A competent person on behalf of the organization intending to carry out dredging operation should be available on board the vessel engaged in dredging and dumping to monitor the dredging and dumping operation.

xxii. NOC from JNPA should also be obtained. MbPA dredging contractor shall be exempted from seeking NOC from JNPA.