## **ACHIEVEMENTS DURING JULY 2017**

- # On 27.06.2017, Hon'ble Minister of Ports and Shri Anbazhagan, MLA, inspected the New Port regarding commencement of Port operation.
- # On 27.06.2017 afternoon, Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shri Anbazhagan, MLA, and Shri Jayamurthy, MLA, went on board TSHD Dredger XIX.
- # Dr Ramanamurthy, Project Director and Shri Mullaiventhan, NIOT inspected the beach nourishment site on 01.07.2017.
- # Hon' ble Minister for Port convened a meeting with DCI and port officials regarding dredging activities on 05.07.2017. In the meeting, DCI assured to make the channel navigable for the container vessel on 22.07.2017 for trail run.
- # Hon' ble Minister of Environment & Port and Shri Lakshmi Narayanan, MLA, inspected the reef site on 12.07.2017. Director, Department of Science & Technology (DSTE), Chief Engineer and Scientists from NIOT were present.
- # On 17.07.2017, Hon' ble Minister for Port had meeting with the port officials in the chamber of the Executive Engineer regarding dredging, commencement of port operation, filling up of posts etc.
- # On 18.07.2017, Scientists of NIOT inspected the work of submerged reef and progress of beach nourishment.
- # Chief Engineer, PWD, Executive Engineer (Irrigation), PWD, Executive Engineer (Port), Assistant Engineer (Port) and officials of DSTE inspected Uppar drain junction on 27.07.2017.
- # A meeting was conducted with officials of NIOT, DCI and representatives of Pondy CAN on 25.07.2017 regarding further dredging at the North portion of the Harbour and also the beach nourishment.
- # Dy. Chief Engineer, Chennai Port Trust was deputed on  $25^{th}$  and  $26^{th}$  July 2017 to coordinate with the Port Department, Puducherry for early commencement of Port operation.