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Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying
Department of Fisheries

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated the 21st Aug., 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: DRAFT "National Marine Fisheries (Regulation & Management) Bill, 2019" – INVITING COMMENTS FROM STAKEHOLDERS-reg.

The Department of Fisheries has formulated a Draft "National Marine Fisheries (Regulation & Management) Bill, 2019". The Draft Bill seeks to provide for regulation and management of fisheries in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of India and Indian fishing vessels in the high seas. The proposed Bill also provides for responsible and long term sustainable and optimal utilization of marine fish resources; ensuring monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS); supporting safety and security of fishers at sea; protecting livelihoods of traditional and small-scale fishers; protection of biodiversity in the marine ecosystems; promotion of fishery conservation and management measures and connected matters.

2. Comments/suggestions on the Draft 'National Marine Fisheries (Regulation & Management) Bill, 2019' are hereby invited from stakeholders. Comments can be sent at 'jsfy@nic.in', or at following address:

The Joint Secretary (Fisheries)
Department of Fisheries,
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying,
Room No.103, Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001

3. The last date for receiving comments is <u>20.9.2019</u>.

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NIC, DoF, MoFAHD, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi: with request to upload the Draft 'National Marine Fisheries (Regulation & Management) Bill, 2019' on the website.