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To Whom It May Concern

The UNEP status Report and Action plan for Dugongs indicated that throughout much of dugong's distribution range, the species is believed to be represented by relict populations separated by large areas where its numbers are greatly reduced. The report recommended study of status and conservation of dugongs in many countries of its range including Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Dugong population in Andaman and Nicobar islands is low but significant. Our knowledge on occurrence and distribution of dugongs in the island groups is scanty and is based on sighting records and secondary information on hunting.

The Green Life Society is looking forward to undertake survey of dugong and its habitat in Andaman and Nicobar islands. It's my privilege to be part of the scientific team of the society by getting involved in various stages of the study including field and aerial survey design, data collection and analysis. I wish to utilize my field experience gained while undertaking surveys to study seagrass habitats and to develop conservation and management strategies for seagrass habitats of Andaman and Nicobar islands (UNFSCC-MAB Young Scientist's Award 1997) for the Dugong Research Program of Green Life Society.

I wish Green Life Society a very successful future in conserving wildlife species and habitat in Andaman and Nicobar islands.

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