**Supplementary Table 4.** Partial ATPase 8/6 sequences of *P. candidus* and *P. griseus* used for analysis retrieved from GenBank (Corrected nomenclature follows Divya et al. 2019 and present study).

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| Corrected  species | Accession Number | Location |
| *P. griseus* | \*MW447301 | Puducherry, India (type locality) |
| \*MW456736 | Visakhapatnam, India |
| \*MW447300 | West Bengal, India |
| JX293030 | West Bengal, India |
| JX460975 | West Bengal, India |
| JX460976 | West Bengal, India |
| JX293029 | West Bengal, India |
| KM288588 | Thailand |
| *P. candidus* | \*MW447297 | Nagapattinam, India |
|  | JX293025.1 | Chennai, India |
|  | JX293026 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX293027 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX293031 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX293032 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX293033 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX293034 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX460973 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX460974 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX460977 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX460978 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX460979 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX460980 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX460981 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX460982 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX944218 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX944219 | Veraval, India |
|  | JX944220 | Chennai, India |
|  | JX944221 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX944222 | Kerala, India |
|  | JX944223 | Kerala, India |
|  | KJ569773 | Kuwait |