

Table 4 Spearman's correlations between chl-a and environmental parameters in the study area; +: positive correlation; -: negative correlation; ns: no significant correlation;  $p > 0.01$ ; \*: significant correlation;  $p < 0.01$

| Environmental Parameter   | Chl-a in sediment | Chl-a in water |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>Physical attribute</b> |                   |                |
| Transparency              | +                 | *              |
| Turbidity                 | -ns               | -ns            |
| Depth                     | -ns               | -ns            |
| <b>Faunal variables</b>   |                   |                |
| Density                   | -ns;              | +              |
| Diversity                 | -ns               | +              |