GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING & FISHERIES
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 303
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd March, 2018

AQUACULTURE AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUNDS

*303.   SHRI K.K. RAGESH**:**

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a).   whether the Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund and an Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund are being established;

(b).   the total corpus fund proposed for each of the above Funds; and

(c).   whether any allocation has been made for the above Funds, so far, or any specific proposals are there with Government to build up the corpus?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

(a) to (c):   A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS(A) TO (C) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.303 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2018

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. For financing infrastructure requirements of animal husbandry and fisheries sector, in the Budget 2018-19, the Government of India has announced the setting up of Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FAIDF) and an Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) with total corpus of Rs.10,000 crore. The Expenditure Finance Committee, Ministry of Finance has considered and recommended the implementation of Fisheries Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Funds (FAIDF) Scheme with a total outlay of Rs.7522.48 crore with loan disbursement/capital investment period of five years w.e.f. 2017-18 to 2021-22, and with repayment period of 10 years. A moratorium of 2 years will be there on repayment of principal. The contribution of Government of India will be limited to Rs. 939.48 crore to meet the interest subvention cost and administrative expenses.

For setting up of Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), no specific allocation has been made so far.

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