GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PLANNING

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 426 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2018

SCHEMES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF COASTAL DISTRICTS OF TAMIL NADU

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Government has any special projects and schemes for development of coastal districts of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total amount allocated and disbursed during the last three years for the purpose;
- (c) whether Government has taken any effective steps to support and develop the socioeconomic growth of fishermen community in that State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise in view of the answer to (a) above.

(c) & (d) Steps taken by Govt. of India to support and develop the socio-economic growth of fishermen community in Tamil Nadu;

Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme is being implemented with the objective of the scheme to increase the overall fish production in a responsible and sustainable manner for economic prosperity, to modernize the fisheries with special focus on new technologies, to ensure food and nutritional security, to generate employment and export earnings, to ensure inclusive development and empower fishers and aquaculture farmers.

Further, Govt. of India and Asian Development Bank signed \$100 million loan for "Climate adaptation in Vennar Subbasin in Cauvery Delta Project (CAVSCDP) in Tamil Nadu under which the infrastructure development will support the expansion of farming shrimp indirectly by providing more fresh water to the coastal belt and inland areas.

NABARD is implementing project viz; "Management and rehabilitation of coastal habitats and biodiversity for climate change adaptation and sustainable livelihoods in Gulf of Mannar" under National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change is being implemented in Gulf of Mannar, Thoothhukudi district of Tamilnadu for the coral and sea grass rehabilitation at Kariyachalli and Vilanguchalli islands, economic development activities such as livelihood training, awareness creation and infrastructure creation.

In addition, under ongoing tranches of Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), NABARD has sanctioned loan of Rs. 10556.18 crore to Deptt of Fisheries, GoTN for the implementation of 25 projects in the various coastal districts of TN. The project cover areas like Fish landing centres, improvement of fish farms, Shore protection, stabilization of groynes, fresh water ornamental fish brood bank etc.