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DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

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Action plan for fisheries at block level

2153. Shri Ram Nath Thakur:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any plan has been formulated at every block-level for fisheries;

(b) whether there is a plan for fishing industry under which economic assistance is provided to fisherwomen/men for fisheries, if so, the number of such schemes, which have been implemented during the last five years, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has any plan for imparting one-week training about fisheries at the block level?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING:

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing a flagship scheme "Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)- A scheme to bring about Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector in India" as a part of Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Package for a period of five years with effect from the financial year 2020-21 to 2024-25 in all States/Union Territories(UTs) with highest ever investment of Rs. 20,050 crore. PMMSY *inter-alia* provides decentralized planning system, wherein Annual District Fisheries Plans are formulated at district level for smooth implementation, supervision and monitoring of PMMSY. The District Fisheries Plans so formulated are consolidated at state level as State/UT Fisheries Annual Action Plan for supporting under the PMMSY.

(b): The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying addresses the critical gaps in fish production and productivity, quality, technology, post-harvest infrastructure and management, modernization and strengthening of value chain, traceability, establishing a robust fisheries management framework and fishers' welfare. Under the PMMSY financial assistance is also provided to fishers, fish farmers, fish workers, fish vendors, women amongst the other beneficiaries for construction of cold storage, ice plants, fish meal plants/mills, construction of

fish retail markets, kiosk, fish value added enterprises unit, e-marketing, modernization and strengthening of value chain, insulated and refrigerated vehicles, three wheelers and two wheelers with ice boxes, ornamental fish culture, seaweed cultivation, support for acquisition of deep sea fishing vessels, up-gradation and modernization of existing fishing vessels, acquisition of technologically advance fishing vessels by traditional fishermen. Besides, Marine Products Export Development Authority(MPEDA) through its schemes namely (i) Assistance for installation of insulated fish hold on board vessels, (ii) Assistance for installation of slurry ice making machine onboard fishing vessels, (iii) Assistance for installation of Radio Telephone onboard fishing vessels, (iv) Assistance for installation of Global Positioning System onboard fishing vessels, (v) Assistance for installation of Fish Finder onboard fishing vessels and (vi) Assistance for installation of Satellite Based Vessel Monitoring System also provided financial assistance during the past five years.

(c): Yes, Sir. Under the PMMSY focus is also accorded for training, awareness, skill development, exposure, skill up-gradation and capacity building for fishers, fish farmers, fish workers, vendors, officials and other stakeholders.

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