

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2819  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023

**Policy to resolve issues of fishermen**

**2819. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:**

Will the **Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has established any policy to resolve the issues of the fishermen and other stakeholders, if so, the details including the aims and objectives thereof;
- (b) whether the policy has been able to achieve the objective for which it was established and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount released by Government for the first two phases of Sagar Parikrama and the actual amount spent thereon; and
- (d) whether the aims and objectives of Sagar Parikrama have been achieved, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING**

**(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) and (b) The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has notified the 'National Policy on Marine Fisheries (NPMF), 2017' with aim to keep sustainability of the resources at the core of all actions. The policy framework aims to meet the national, social and economic goals, livelihood sustainability and socio-economic upliftment of the fisher community and is intended to guide the coordination and management of marine fisheries in the country. The NPMF, 2017 guides the actions of various stakeholders in meeting the vision and mission set for the marine fisheries sector of the country. The welfare and upliftment of fishers are at the core of the Policy. The schemes and programs are accordingly being implemented by the Government.

(c) and (d) The amount of total expenditure incurred for two phases of Sagar Parikrama covering coastal areas of Gujarat, Diu and Daman was Rs. 171 lakhs. The aims and objectives of Sagar Parikrama have been achieved which *inter alia* include to facilitate interaction with fishermen, coastal communities and stakeholders to disseminate information of various fisheries related schemes and programs being implemented by the Government, demonstrating solidarity with fisher folk, fish farmers and concerned stakeholders as a spirit of Aatmanirbhar Bharat, promoting responsible fisheries with focus on sustainable balance between the utilization of marine fisheries resources for food security of nation and livelihoods of coastal fisher communities and protection of marine ecosystems.

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