GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING
DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3458
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31st MARCH, 2023

Assessment or survey of fishery farmers

3458 Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy:

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

(a) whether any assessment or survey has been made by the Ministry to find out fishery farmers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and district-wise, with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh;

(c) details of criteria for eligible beneficiaries to get Kisan Credit Card (KCC);

(d) number of fishing farmers provided with KCC in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise; and

(e) details of credit provided to the above fishery farmers based on KCC during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and district-wise in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (b): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying collects and compiles the data from all the State/UTs regarding people engaged in fisheries and related activities including aquaculture. As per the information provided by the States/UTs for the year 2020-21,fishermen population in the country is 2,80,63,538. The state-wise details of the fishermen population including the State of Andhra Pradesh are furnished at Annexure - I. The district wise fishermen population in the State of Andhra Pradesh is furnished at Annexure - II.

(c) : As per the RBI guidelines dated 4th February 2019, the criteria for eligible beneficiaries to get Kisan Credit Card (KCC) is as under:

i) Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture:

Fishers, Fish Farmers (individual & groups/partners/share croppers/ tenant farmers), Self Help Groups, Joint Liability Groups and women groups.

The beneficiaries must own or lease any fisheries related assets such as pond, tank, open water bodies, raceway, hatchery, rearing units, boats, nets and such other fishing gear as the case may be and possess necessary authorization/certification as may be applicable in respective states for fish farming and fishing related activities and for any other State specific fisheries and allied activities.

(ii) Marine Fisheries:

Fishers, Fish Farmers (individual & groups/partners/share croppers/ tenant farmers), Self Help Groups, Joint Liability Groups and women groups.

Beneficiaries listed above, who own or lease registered fishing vessel /boat, possess necessary fishing license/permission for fishing in estuary and sea, fish fanning/mariculture activities in estuaries and open sea and any other State specific fisheries and allied activities.

(d) and (e) : Fishers and fish farmers provided with KCC and details of credit provided based on KCC district wise, in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years and the current year are furnished at Annexure – III.

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Annexure - I

Statement referred to in reply to the part(a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3458 put in by Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy , Honourable Members of Parliament for answer on 31th March, 2023 regarding "Assessment or survey of fishery farmers"

State-wise Fishermen Population		
S.N.	**State/UT's**	**Fishermen Population**
(i)	**(ii)**	**(iii)**
1	**Andhra Pradesh**	**14,96,688**
2	Arunachal Pradesh	24,015
3	Assam	25,24,106
4	Bihar	60,27,375
5	Chhattisgarh	2,20,355
6	Goa	10,545
7	Gujarat	5,58,691
8	Haryana	1,18,455
9	Himachal Pradesh	11,806
10	Jharkhand	1,40,897
11	Karnataka	9,74,277
12	Kerala	10,44,361
13	Madhya Pradesh	22,32,822
14	Maharashtra	15,18,228
15	Manipur	47,711
16	Meghalaya	16,567
17	Mizoram	6,289
18	Nagaland	7,958
19	Odisha	15,17,574
20	Punjab	7,591
21	Rajasthan	57,260
22	Sikkim	581
23	Tamil Nadu	12,83,751
24	Telangana	8,62,221
25	Tripura	7,761
26	Uttarakhand	8,352
27	Uttar Pradesh	39,00,005
28	West Bengal	32,36,261
29	A and N Islands	25,941
30	Chandigarh	524
31	D & N Haveli, Da- man and Diu	40,016
32	Delhi	3,346
33	Jammu & Kashmir	17,396
34	Ladakh	22
35	Lakshadweep	6,518
36	Puducherry	1,07,272
All India		**2,80,63,538**

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Annexure - II

Statement referred to in reply to the part (b) Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3458 put in by Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy , Honourable Members of Parliament for answer on 31th March, 2023 regarding "Assessment or survey of fishery farmers"

District –wise Fishermen Population in the State of Andhra Pradesh		
S.N.	**Name of the District**	**Total**
(i)	(ii)	(iii)
1	Srikakulam	125060
2	Vizianagaram	60587
3	Visakhapatnam	150782
4	East Godavari	392033
5	West Godavari	273622
6	Krishna	167659
7	Guntur	79096
8	Prakasam	26901
9	Nellore	103115
10	Chittoor	17694
11	Kadapa	6038
12	Ananthapuram	83781
13	Kurnool	10320
Total		1496688
Source: Department of Fisheries, Government of Andhra Pradesh		

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Annexure - III

Statement referred to in reply to the part (d) and (e) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3458 put in by Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy , Honourable Members of Parliament for answer on 31th March, 2023 regarding "Assessment or survey of fishery farmers"

KCC sanctioned to fishers and fish farmers for FY 2019-20 to 2021-22 in Andhra Pradesh							
S.N.	Districts	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22	
		Sanctioned KCC	Amount Sanctioned (in Rs. Lakhs)	Sanctioned KCC	Amount Sanctioned (in Rs. Lakhs)	Sanctioned KCC	Amount Sanctioned (in Rs. Lakhs)
1	Ananthapur	3	5	4	138	289	323
2	Chittoor	2	4	1	1	218	759
3	East Godavari	191	6336.72	946	9856	626	19272
4	Guntur	129	3263.36	158	2902	1192	4372
5	Kadapa	3	5	12	3	149	57
6	Krishna	1016	18040.96	1350	16608	2185	17416
7	Kurnool	3	6	295	79	408	378
8	Nellore	82	1160.3	264	2855	550	5212
9	Prakasam	19	459.19	235	581	358	1845
10	Srikakulam	0	0	181	128	263	132
11	Vijayanagaram	0	0	48	145	400	15732
12	Vishakapatnam	3	110	84	296	696	2018
13	West Godavari	1414	39494.92	1536	37528	1778	53072
Total		**2865**	**68885**	**5114**	**71120**	**9112**	**120589**

KCC sanctioned to fishers and fish farmers for FY 2022-23			
S.N.	**District**	**Sanctioned KCC**	**Amount Sanctioned(in Rs. Lakhs)**
1	Alluri Sitharama Raju	11	2.11
2	Anakapalli	202	62.82
3	Ananthapuramu	1,511	1,031.57
4	Annamayya	196	124.93
5	Bapatla	134	297.84
6	Chittoor	102	55.98
7	Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Konaseema	101	732.98
8	East Godavari	145	4,863.68
9	Eluru	5,712	40,464.00
10	Guntur	518	1,114.56
11	Kakinada	393	898.33
12	Krishna	2,177	6,698.59
13	Kurnool	279	88.98
14	Nandyal	426	330.41
15	NTR	1,473	1,184.86
16	Palnadu	2,496	1,127.73
17	Parvathipuram Manyam	74	11.97
18	Prakasam	213	327.99
19	SPSR Nellore	223	2,730.64
20	Sri Sathya Sai	76	35.24
21	Srikakulam	199	64.07
22	Tirupati	82	81.21
23	Visakhapatnam	86	38.57
24	Vizianagaram	480	102.12
25	West Godavari	509	24,561
26	Y.S.R Kadapa	294	191
Total		18,112	87,223.18
Source: State Level Bankers Committee, Andhra Pradesh			

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