# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

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# UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1861 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04<sup>TH</sup>AUGUST, 2023

## Schemes to increase fish production

### **1861. DR. ANIL SUKHDEORAO BONDE:**

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

- (a) the details of various schemes run by Government for farmers to increase fish production and productivity, and to improve their socio-economic status, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government is planning to implement any new scheme under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) for benefit of fishermen and fish farmers in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has been implementing various schemes/programmes for enhancement of fish production and productivity and to improve the socio-economic status of fishers in the country as under :-

(i) Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) with highest ever estimated investment of ₹20050 crore with a Central share of Rs. 9407 crores, State share of Rs. 4880 crores and Beneficiaries contribution of Rs. 5763 crores, in fisheries sector for a period of 5 years with effect from the financial year 2020-21 to 2024-25 in all States/Union Territories.

(ii) Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) with a total fund size of Rs 7522.48 crore implemented for a period of 5 years from 2018-19 to 2022-23 for providing concessional finance for creation and strengthening of fisheries infrastructure.

(iii) Extension of "Kisan Credit Card (KCC)" facility to fishers and fish farmers of all States/Union Territories, from the year 2018-19, to help them to meet their working capital needs for pisciculture. These schemes cover all the States/UTs for development of fisheries sector.

(b) and (c): Yes Sir. In the Union Budget 2023-24, the Government has announced a new sub-scheme of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana with targeted investment of Rs. 6,000 crore to further enable activities of fishermen, fish vendors and micro & small enterprises, improve value chain efficiencies and expand the market. The Sub-scheme intends to gradually formalize the fisheries sector and facilitate access to institutional financing in the sector, incentivize value chain players such as micro enterprises and/or small enterprises for improving value chain efficiencies, quality assurance and supply of safe fish and fishery products; and for creation and maintenance of jobs with focus on jobs for women in the fisheries sector. The Sub-scheme also intends to help in addressing associated risks in aquaculture system.

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