

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

**RAJYA SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 376  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 2025

**PMMSY in Karnataka**

**376 Shri Narayana Koragappa:**

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

- (a) whether Government has approved production and processing cluster in fisheries sector in Uttara Kannada District of Karnataka under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) Scheme;
- (b) if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether any assessment has been made about the potential production and processing in the fisheries and aquaculture sector in Uttara Kannada; and
- (d) if so, details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING  
(SHRI GEORGE KURIAN)**

(a) to (b): The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Government of India envisages adoption of cluster- based approach to enhance the competitiveness of fisheries sector, facilitate economies of scale, generate high incomes and accelerate the growth and expansion of fisheries and aquaculture in an organized manner. Accordingly, the Department of Fisheries, Government of India has approved Sea Cage Cluster in Uttara Kannada district of Karnataka. The areas of Bhatkal and Kumta have been considered as partnering talukas for the purpose of above said fisheries cluster development.

(c) and (d): Department of Fisheries, Government of Karnataka has reported that no separate assessment made about the potential production and processing in fisheries and aquaculture sector in Uttara Kannada. However, as per the study report by ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) on mapping of potential sea-cage farming sites through spatial modelling, five potential sites for Sea Cage Culture with total available area of 2,681 ha have been identified in the Uttara Kannada district, namely Kheni (425 ha), Belikeri (480 ha), Mudga (213 ha), Hadin (323 ha) and Belake (1240 ha).

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