

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

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.385
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd JULY, 2025

Blue Economy and greening of fisheries infrastructure

385. Dr. K. Laxman:
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Dr. Bhagwat Karad:

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

- (a) the steps taken by Government to modernise and expand green fisheries infrastructure through initiatives such as Eco-Fishing Ports, Smart Harbours, the Blue Ports Initiative;
- (b) number of fishing harbours and landing centres modernised with climate-resilient and digital infrastructure till date, State-wise/UT-wise details, and expected impact thereof;
- (c) total funds allocated and utilised under these initiatives during last five years, along with details of Central and externally aided projects, State-wise/UT-wise;
- (d) whether Government has collaborated with international agencies or banks such as FDA/FAO for technical assistance, financing, or capacity building, and if so, outcomes of such partnerships?

ANSWER

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

(a) The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing a flagship scheme namely 'Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana' (PMMSY) with an investment of Rs. 20,050 crore in all States/ Union Territories for a period of 5 years from financial Year 2020-21 to 2024-25 to bring about Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector and welfare of fishermen in India. The Development, modernisation and expansion of fisheries infrastructure in form of Fishing Harbour with smart and green components based on Eco-Fishing Ports and Blue Port Initiative of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) is one of the important areas supported under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Samapada Yojana (PMMSY). The Development of Smart and Integrated Fishing Harbour in India represents an innovative approach to modernise fishing infrastructure while prioritizing environmental sustainability, efficiency, and safety. Implementation of smart technologies in fishing harbour by improving operations, enhancing safety measures, and promoting sustainable practices. Towards, this the department has approved development of three Smart and Integrated Fishing Harbour at Vanakbara in Diu, Karaikal in Puducherry and Jakhau in Gujarat respectively with a total estimated cost of Rs 369.8 Crore under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).

(b) & (c). The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India has approved modernization of 5 fishing harbor project under Central Sector component of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at an estimated cost of Rs 651.14 crore in convergence with Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW). Similarly, the department has approved modernization of 11 fishing harbours project under central sponsored component of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at an estimated cost of Rs 263.54 Crore. The state/UT wise details of the approved modernization of fishing harbor projects during last 5 years (FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25) under PMMSY is furnished at Annexure I. The modernization of fishing harbour Infrastructure creates multifarious socio-economic benefits especially augmentation of fish production, enhancement of fish export, growth of subsidiary fisheries base industries, accelerate the local fishers and other stakeholders trade and increase in livelihood employment opportunities.

(d). The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India had in March, 2025 signed an agreement of Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) with Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nation (FAO) for Strengthening of Blue Ports initiatives in India. In addition, the Department of Fisheries, Government of India in collaboration with French Development Agency (AFD) has conducted workshop on concept of Eco-Fishing Port in May, 2025. Further, the department is implementing "Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana (PM-MKSSY)", a Central Sector Sub-scheme under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana for formalization of the fisheries sector and supporting fisheries micro and small enterprises with an investment of Rs. 6,000 crores. The PM-MKSSY is an external aided project with Rs.1500 crore as loans comprising of Rs.1125 Crore from World Bank and Rs.375 Crore from French Development Agency (AFD).

Statement referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 385 part (b) & (c) due for answer on 23rd July, 2025: State-Wise/UT-Wise details of modernisation of fishing harbour project sanctioned during last 5 years under PMMSY.

A. Modernisation of Fishing Harbour(FH) Projects approved under Central Sector Component of PMMSY

Sl no.	Name of State/U.T.	Name of Fishing Harbour Project	Project Cost (Rs in Crore)*	Central Share (Rs in Crore)*	Funds Released (Rs in Crore)*
1.	Kerala	Modernization and up-gradation of Cochin Fishing Harbour at Thoppumpady, Cochin	169.17	100.00	61.55
2.	Tamil Nadu	Modernization and up-gradation of Chennai Fishing Harbour	97.95	97.95	47.87
3.	Odisha	Moderanisation of Paradip Fishing Harbour , Paradip	108.91	99.75	49.94
4.	Maharashtra	Development of Mallet Bunder Fishing Harbour	96.60	96.60	62.64
5.	Andhra Pradesh	Modernization and up-gradation of Vishakapatnam Fishing Harbour	178.51	100.00	47.93
Total		5	651.14	494.30	269.93

*includes share of DoF, MoPSW

B. Modernisation of Fishing Harbour(FH) Projects approved under Central Sponsored Component of PMMSY

Sl no.	Name of State/U.T.	Name of Fishing Harbour Projects	Project Cost (Rs in Crore)*	Central Share (Rs in Crore)*	Funds Released (Rs in Crore) #
1.	Kerala	Up-gradation and modernization of Harbour in Ponnani	18.73	11.24	5.61
		Up-gradation and modernization of Harbour in Puthiyappa,	16.06	9.63	4.82
		Up-gradation and modernization of Harbour in Koyilandy	20.90	12.54	6.27
2.	Tamil Nadu	Up-gradation of Pazhayar Fishing Harbour in Mayiladuthurai District, Tamil Nadu	26.26	15.75	7.88
3.	West Bengal	Modernisation and up-gradation of existing	43.17	25.90	6.37

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		fishing harbour at Petuaghat			
		Modernisation and up-gradation of existing fishing harbour at Shankarpur	44.7	26.82	6.59
		Modernisation and up-gradation of existing fishing harbour at Frasergunj	7.05	4.23	1.04
		Modernisation and up-gradation of existing fishing harbour at Kakdwip	14.5	8.70	2.14
4.	Karnataka	Modernisation and Up-gradation of Mangalore Fishing Harbour	37.47	22.48	Nil
		Modernisation of Malpe Fishing Harbour	12.52	7.51	Nil
		Modernisation of Gangoli Fishing Harbour	22.18	13.30	Nil
Total		11	263.54	158.12	40.72

Funds are now channelized through SNA-SPARSH in form of Mother Sanctions as per guidelines of Ministry of Finance, Government of India. During current FY 2025-26, Mother Sanctions have been issued to all the above State Governments namely Rs 50.00 Crore for Kerala, Rs 50.00 Crore for Tamil Nadu, Rs 10.68 Crore for West Bengal and Rs 50 Crore for Karnataka. The State Government are utilising the allocated funds under Mother Sanction for implementation of various approved activities including the fishing harbour project.
