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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1972 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th DECEMBER, 2025

Development plan for Puri, Odisha for fisheries

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Will the Minister of **FISHERIES**, **ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has prepared any special development plan for Puri district of Odisha considering its strategic coastline, large fishermen population and the Chilika lagoon;
- (b) if so, the details of ongoing and proposed projects for modernisation of fishing crafts, fish landing centres, cold-chain, marine safety systems and sustainable lake fisheries in Chilika; and
- (c) the total funds released to Puri district under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) during the last five years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) and (b): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, has approved the proposals of the Government of Odisha under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at a total project cost of Rs.1298.25 Crore for the development of fisheries and aquaculture in the state of Odisha, including in Puri District. The Government of Odisha has informed that no district-specific development plan has been prepared exclusively for Puri District. However, all schemes and programmes of the Department of Fisheries, Government of India, and the Fisheries and Animal Resources Development Department, Government of Odisha, covering fisheries and aquaculture development, livelihood support to fishermen, infrastructure creation and sectoral strengthening are implemented in the District.

The Department of Fisheries, Government of India, has approved the proposal of the Government of Odisha for the construction of the fishing harbour – stage-II at Astaranga (Nuagarh) in Puri District, at a cost of Rs. 179.90 crore under PMMSY. The Government of Odisha has further informed that three Fish Landing Centres have been approved under State Schemes for construction at (i) Sapakothi, (ii) Chandrabhaga, and (iii) Penthakata in Puri District. For the safety of marine fishermen, 1,491 life jackets and 497 lifebuoys have been provided to 497 marine fishermen of Puri District under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Blue Revolution and the State Plan Scheme. Further, the Government of Odisha has informed that various activities has been approved under PMMSY for establishment of cold chain and marketing infrastructure such as (i) Insulated vehicle (8 unit), (ii) Motorcycle with Icebox (25 unit), (iii) Auto rickshaw with Ice Box (7 unit) (iv) Construction of New cold Storage/Ice plant (2 unit) and (v) Fish Kiosk (7 unit). In addition, the Government of Odisha has informed that the Chilika Development Authority (CDA) has undertaken several conservation and management initiatives for the Chilika lagoon. Together, these interventions address the development needs of coastal fisheries, fisher communities, and the livelihoods of Chilika-based fishermen.

(c): The Government of Odisha has informed that Rs.70.68 crore has been released under PMMSY for the development of fisheries and aquaculture in Puri District.