

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 384
ANSWERED ON 22nd JULY, 2026

Blue Economy through reservoir and Amrit Sarovar fisheries

384 Shri Sadanand Mhalu Shet Tanavade:

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

- (a) the objectives, implementation framework, timelines and present status of the initiative for integrated development of reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars announced in the Union Budget 2026-27, including the total number of reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars proposed to be covered under the programme;
- (b) the total budgetary allocation approved, year-wise funds released, proposed Centre-State funding pattern and the State-wise/UT-wise status of identification of reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars, including the criteria adopted for their selection; and
- (c) the State-wise/UT-wise targets fixed for fish production, employment generation and coverage of Fish Farmer Producer Organisations (Fish FPOs), fisheries cooperatives, women-led Self-Help Groups and youth beneficiaries under the initiative?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
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(a): The Government of India in the Union Budget, 2026-27 has announced the development of fisheries and aquaculture by undertaking integrated development of 500 reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars in the country. The initiative reinforces the Government's objective to harvest the untapped fisheries potential from reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars, strengthening livelihood of fishermen in the reservoirs and engagement of women self help groups (SHGs), fisheries cooperatives, Fish Farmers Producer Organizations (FFPO) for development of fisheries in Amrit Sarovars and Reservoirs.

(b): The investment for the implementation of the Integrated Development of Reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars will be based on the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) submitted by the States and Union Territories (UTs). The selection has been done in consultation with the States and UTs, considering the perennial water availability and fisheries potential of the identified reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars. State and UT wise reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars identified as on date are at **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively.

(c): The Department of Fisheries (DoF), Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (MoFAH&D), Government of India (GoI) with the objective of enhancing fisher's income in the country is promoting Fish Farmer Producer Organization (FFPOs), women-led groups and fisheries cooperatives under the Integrated development of Reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars. This includes the formation of new Fish Farmer Producer Organizations (FFPOs), women-led groups, and fisheries cooperatives, as well as support for existing ones, in the selected reservoirs and Amrit Sarovars.

Annexure-I

Statement referred to in reply to part (b) Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No 384 put in by Shri Sadanand Mhalu Shet Tanavade, Hon'ble Member of Parliament regarding Blue Economy through reservoir and Amrit Sarovar fisheries for answer on 22nd July, 2026: *State-wise details of identified Reservoirs for its Integrated Development*

S.N	Name of States	Total no. of reservoirs
1	Arunachal Pradesh	12
2	Bihar	12
3	Chhattisgarh	27
4	Goa	3
6	Gujarat	12
7	Himachal Pradesh	5
8	Jammu & Kashmir	4
9	Jharkhand	41
10	Karnataka	11
11	Kerala	28
12	Madhya Pradesh	22
13	Maharashtra	34
14	Manipur	4
15	Meghalaya	3
16	Mizoram	3
17	Nagaland	1
18	Odisha	25
19	Punjab	7
20	Rajasthan	15
21	Tamilnadu	10
22	Telangana	27
23	Tripura	1
24	Uttarakhand	6
25	Uttar Pradesh	19
26	Andhra Pradesh	13
27	West Bangal	6
Total		351

Annexure-II

Statement referred to in reply to part (b) Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No 384 put in by Shri Sadanand Mhalu Shet Tanavade, Hon'ble Member of Parliament regarding Blue Economy through reservoir and Amrit Sarovar fisheries for answer on 22nd July, 2026: State-wise details of identified Amrit Sarovars

S.N	Name of States	Total no. of Amrit Sarovars
1	Bihar	5
2	Himachal Pradesh	4
3	Jharkhand	5
4	Meghalaya	3
5	Chhattisgarh	5
6	Madhya Pradesh	5
7	Uttarakhand	4
8	Mizoram	2
9	Kerala	4
10	Gujarat	3
11	Telangana	6
12	Uttar Pradesh	12
13	Tamilnadu	6
14	Odisha	5
15	Nagaland	5
16	Rajasthan	5
17	Tripura	5
18	Assam	5
19	Punjab	3
20	Maharashtra	6
21	Sikkim	2
Total		100
