GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING AND FISHERIES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3600 TO BE ANSWERED ON 8THAUGUST, 2017

PROMOTION OF DEEP SEA FISHING

3600. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH: ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Government is considering to promote big private investments in deep sea fishing and take foreign technological support realize the full potential of the sector, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also true that the move will support an estimated four million fishermen and their family members and contribute Rs.65000 crore annually to the economy, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the Government is considering to bring out a roadmap titled as the Blue Revolution;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is considering to provide training to fishermen to avoid crossing the international marine boundary line, if so, the details thereof?;

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

- (a) No such proposal is under consideration in the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) & (d) Yes. The DADF has issued the Guidelines for implementation of Central Plan Scheme on 'Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries'. An 'Integrated National Fisheries Action Plan-2016' has been prepared for Mission Blue Revolution.
- (e) The DADF has issued advisories to Coastal States and Union Territories (UTs) to sensitize their fishermen for not to cross the international marine boundary line (IMBL). The Coastal State Governments/UTs and Indian Coast Guard have organized the awareness programmes from time to time, to sensitize the fishermen on the consequent hardship involved in crossing over the IMBL for fishing activities.
