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

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. †535

TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH JUNE, 2019

"COURSE ON FISHING"

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Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING मात्स्यिकी, पश्पालन और डेयरी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to formulate a course/conduct a programme to make fishing more professional and skill based;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the said plan / programme is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING:

(SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI)

(a) to (c) Central Institute of Fisheries, Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET), functioning under the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is already conducting a professional fisheries degree course, Bachelor of Fisheries Science-Nautical Science with four years duration and two skill based courses namely (i) Vessel Navigator Course (VNC) and (ii) Marine Fitter Course (MFC) with duration of 2 years to cater to the needs of fishing vessel operators like Skipper / Mate / Bosun / Chief Engineers / Engine Drivers of the fishing vessels. In addition, short-term skill based training programmes on safety navigation and fishing including capacity building in deep sea fishing onboard handling of tuna are conducted for fishers and technocrats in the country. Besides, Fisheries research Institutes like Central Institute of Fisheries Technology (CIFT) and Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE) functioning under Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) also conduct Training programmes and Post Graduate level courses on fishing.
