GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2199 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH DECEMBER, 2022

Blue Revolution in Bihar

2199. SHRI CHIRAG KUMAR PASWAN:

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

- (a) the details of the facilities provided in regard to pisciculture by the Union Government under Blue Revolution in Bihar;
- (b) whether the subsidy is provided to fish farmers to balance the cost involved therein;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to dig ponds, river, lakes and use other water bodies for fish farming and if so, whether the said scheme is applicable in Bihar, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the districts in which Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana is in operation and mode of the transport available to aquaculture farmers of rural areas to take away to the fish market; and
- (e) whether the Union Government has proposed to set up any college or training centre for fisheries training etc. in Bihar and if so, the development made in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (d): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (MoFAH&D) had approved the proposals of Government of Bihar to the tune of Rs.323.12 crore and central financial assistance of Rs.76.80 crore released under the erstwhile Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries implemented during the financial year 2015-16 to 2019-20 for development of fisheries and aquaculture in the State convening various activities like freshwater fin fish and prawn hatchery, pond construction with inputs, seed rearing area, seed stocking in wetland, Recirculatory Aquaculture Systems (RAS), development of wetland and waterlogged area, retail and whole fish markets and training to the fish farmers with a subsidy of 40% to General category and 60% to SC/ST beneficiaries to balance the cost involved therein. In addition, the Department of Fisheries, Government of India under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) during the last two financial years and current year has accorded approvals to the fisheries development proposals of Government of Bihar at a total cost of Rs.301.30 crore for development of fisheries and aquaculture in all districts of Bihar wherein transport facilities such as Cycle with ice-box, Motor cycle with Ice-box, three wheeler with ice-box including erickshaw for fish vending and Insulated vehicle have also been provided to aquaculture farmers. Further, central financial assistance of Rs.42.40 crore released to the Government of Bihar for implementation of beneficiaries oriented activities under PMMSY.

(e): The Department of Fisheries, Government of India has no proposal to set up college or training centre for fisheries.