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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2215 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH DECEMBER, 2022

Fish Farming and Cow Rearing

2215. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated or proposed to formulate any action plan to promote fish farming and cow rearing in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has decided to implement any scheme in Maharashtra keeping in view the potential of fish farming in the State; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (c): To complement and supplement the efforts of the States/UTs for promotion of fisheries and Animal Husbandry sectors including cow rearing, the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India implement various schemes across the country including Maharashtra, such as (i) Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), (ii) Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF), (iii) National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD), (iv) Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF), (v) Supporting Dairy Cooperative and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPO) engaged in dairy activities, (vi) Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme (DEDS), (vii) Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF), etc.

The Department of Fisheries has approved project proposal at a total outlay of Rs.607.73 crores with Central share of Rs.239.57 crores for development of fisheries and aquaculture in the State of Maharashtra under PMMSY since its inception in 2020-21. The major activities approved under the PMMSY *inter-alia* includes construction of ponds for taking up of aquaculture activities including inputs support in both Inland and Brackish water, installation of cages/ pens for fish culture in reservoirs and open water bodies, integrated development of reservoirs, establishment of hatchery, construction of seed rearing area, promotion of seaweed cultivation, Marine Cage culture and bi-valve culture,

establishment of Re-circulatory Aquaculture System (RAS) establishment fish feed mill, development of post harvest infrastructure such as ice plants, cold storages, ice plants-cumcold storages fish transportation and marketing infrastructures such as refrigerated and insulated vehicles, Ice-box with two/three wheelers, live fish vending units, fish kiosks, etc.

Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing Rashtriya Gokul Mission for development and conservation of indigenous bovine breeds since December 2014. The scheme is important in enhancing milk production and productivity of bovines to meet growing demand of milk and making dairying more remunerative to the rural farmers of the country. The scheme is continued under revised and realigned form for a period of 5 years from 2021-22 to 2025-26 with an allocation of Rs.2400 crores. The scheme aims to enhance productivity and create benefits to 80 million farmers engaged in dairying especially small and marginal farmers.
