LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION No. *298
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST MARCH, 2023

Insurance Scheme for Fishing

*298. SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:

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

(a) whether the Government has introduced any app to find the fishing disease well in advance;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also introduced any insurance scheme for fishing and other items, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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Statement referred to in reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *298 put in by Shri Vijayakumar (*Alias*) Vijay Vasanth, Member of Parliament for answer on 21st March, 2023 regarding Insurance Scheme for Fishing

(a) and (b): Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) reported that Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA) has launched an interactive mobile app “TreatMyFish” for providing specific advisories services to the farmers for different fish diseases of freshwater aquaculture. In addition, this App has a feature “Report a disease” that facilitates farmers to submit disease related information including photos. Further, considering the importance of early detection and managing the spread of aquatic diseases, under PMMSY, the Government of India has launched the National Surveillance Programme for Aquatic Animal Diseases (NSPAAD): Phase-II with major emphasis on strengthening farmer-based disease surveillance system, so that disease cases are reported at once, investigated and scientific support is provided to the fish farmers.

(c) and (d): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) through NFDB is implementing a Pilot Project on Aquaculture Crop Insurance for both freshwater aquaculture and brackish water aquaculture at a cost of Rs.3.5 crore for 6000 hectare. The insurance cover under this project provides basic insurance cover for yield losses due to non-preventable risks such as summer kill, pollution, poisoning, riot and strike, malicious acts of third parties, earthquake, explosion/implosion, storm, cyclone, flood, inundation and other natural calamities.

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