Productivity in Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector under PMMSY

300. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR: SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

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

(a) whether India stands third in the world in terms of fish production and if so, the details thereof along with the challenges faced by the Government while achieving this position;

(b) whether Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) has boosted fish production in the country;

(c) if so, the details of fish production during each of the last three years in the States of Tamil Nadu and Odisha;

(d) the achievements made by PMMSY in the overall production and export of fisheries sector;

(e) whether this yojana is being implemented in the States of Tamil Nadu and Odisha and if so, the details thereof along with the funds provided to each of the said States since its implementation;

(f) the number of farmers/families benefited from the fisheries schemes in the State of Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year; and

(g) the details of other steps taken by the Government for enhancement of production and productivity in fisheries and aquaculture sector under PMMSY?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (g): 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 300 put in by Shri Dhanush M. Kumar and Shri C.N. Annadurai, Honourable Members of Parliament for answer on 21st March, 2023 regarding “Productivity in Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector under PMMSY”

(a): India is the third largest fish producing country, contributing 8 percent to the global fish production and ranks second in aquaculture production. The production in 2021-22 is 16.24 MT comprising of Marine fish production of 4.12 MT & Aquaculture of 12.12 MT. Challenges faced and overcome, to a certain extent, include increasing availability of quality seed, cold chain, marketing infrastructure and post-harvest infrastructure.

(b) to (d): Yes Sir, Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) has boosted fish production in the country. Since the launch of PMMSY in the year 2020-21, the overall fish production in the country has shown an increasing trend, registering fish production of 162.48 lakh tonnes in 2021-22 from 141.64 lakh tonnes in 2019-20. This includes the enhancement of the fish production in the State of Tamil Nadu to 8.07 lakh tonnes in 2021-22 from 7.57 lakh tonnes in 2019-20 and 9.90 lakh tonnes in 2021-22 from 8.18 lakh tonnes in 2019-20 in the State of Odisha. In addition, overall fish export in value terms have increased to Rs. 57,586.48 crores in 2021-22 from Rs. 46,662.85 crores in 2019-20.

(e): Under PMMSY during the year 2020-21, 2021-22 and the current financial year i.e., 2022-23, the projects at a total cost of Rs. 63,211.70 lakh with a central share of Rs. 23,161.75 lakh have been approved for the State of Odisha and an amount of Rs. 11,910.29 lakh have been released against the central share. Further, in the State of Tamil Nadu, the projects at a total cost of Rs. 61,778.43 lakh with a central share of Rs. 24,548.70 lakh have been approved and an amount of Rs. 4,974.96 lakh has been released against the central share.

(f) As reported by the Government of Tamil Nadu, 1,80,789 fishers and fish farmers have so far been benefited from the PMMSY.

(g) With a view to enhance the production and productivity in fisheries and aquaculture, several activities are being taken under PMMSY. These include area expansion, diversification of species and genetic improvement, intensification of aquaculture through technology, ensuring supply of quality and affordable seed and feed to fish farmers, robust aquatic health management, promotion of scientific methods and innovations in fisheries; infusion of modern technologies like Re-Circulatory Aquaculture Systems, Biofloc, cage cultures; promotion of mariculture.

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