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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2101 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14th MARCH, 2023

Fish Production

2101. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT: SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR: DR. CHANDRA SEN JADON:

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

- (a) the details of India's share in the global fish production during the last five years;
- (b) the total fish production in the country during each of the last five years;
- (c) the total construction done during the said period for the people engaged in this profession, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has the details of average cost per unit fish production;
- (e) if so, the details thereof for each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (f) whether it is a fact that many fish farmers have approached banks to expand their business and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) whether the Government proposes to waive off that loan and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) and (b): India is the third largest of producer of the fish and ranks second in aquaculture production. The details of India's share in the global fish production during the last five years are as below:

Year	World Fish production (in MMT)	Fish Production in India (MMT)	Percentage Share in World Fish Production
2017-18	172.7	12.7	7.35
2018-19	178.93	13.6	7.60
2019-20	177.83	14.2	7.96
2020-21	179.00	14.73	8.23
2021-22	Not Available*	16.25	Not Available*

^{*:} The global fish production data for the period 2020-21 and 2021-22 is yet to be released by Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations.

(c) to (e): Fish production is undertaken in diverse systems such as public ponds and reservoirs in extensive manner and private ponds, Re-circulatory Aquaculture System (RAS) and Biofloc units in an intensive manner. Fish productivity varies considerably depending on the stocking density and quantity of feed given. This also varies from State to State and also depends upon the type of species.

(f) and (g): Yes Sir. The Reserve Bank of India vide circular FIDD.CO.FSD. BC.12/05.05.010/2018-19 dated February 04, 2019 has extended KCC facility to fisheries sector for their working capital requirements wherein farmers either individual or joint borrower, Joint Liability Groups or Self Help Groups including tenant farmers having owned/rented/ leased sheds are eligible for getting benefits under the scheme. Further, Reserve Bank of India vide circular FIDD.CO.FSD. BC.10/05.02.001/2019-20 dated August 26,2019 has extended the benefits of Interest Subvention at 2% and Prompt Repayment Incentive (PRI) at 3% to fisheries sector (upto a maximum limit of Rs. 2 lakhs) to meet their working capital needs under the KCC scheme. Till date, 1,29,513 KCCs have been issued to fishers and fish farmers. Presently, there is no proposal in this Ministry to waive off the loan extended to fish farmers.