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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.289 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05TH DECEMBER, 2023

Sub-schemes of PMMSY

289. SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN:

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

- (a) the total area expanded for fisheries to non-traditional areas in the country during the last three years under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY);
- (b) whether the allocated funds of Rs. 20,050 have been utilised during the year 2020 and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is also true that the Government has announced any sub schemes of PMMSY and made investments therein;
- (d) if so, the objective of the said sub-schemes; and
- (e) whether it is also true that the fishermen in the country are facing hardship that they never experienced a decade ago because of the high cost of diesel and due to other moves by the Government?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing flagship scheme namely "Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)" with a vision to bring Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of Fisheries sector in India with highest ever investment of ₹20050 crore in fisheries sector for a period of 5 years with effect from the financial year 2020-21 to FY 2024-25. During the last three financial years (FY 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23) and current financial year (2023-24), PMMSY has supported expansion of aquaculture area through activities such as construction of freshwater ponds for 20823.40 hectares, saline/alkaline ponds for 2855.59 hectares and brackish water aquaculture ponds for 1370.86 hectares and high density aquaculture activities like construction of biofloc ponds for 3703.5 hectares.

(b): Under PMMSY during 2020-21 an investment of Rs. 2876.33 cr was approved (Rs. 1084.72 cr central share). A total of Rs. 699.72 crore was released to various State Governments/Union Territories and other implementing agencies, out of which it has been reported that an amount of Rs. 620.38 crore has been utilised.

(c) and (d): Yes Sir. In the Union Budget 2023-24, the Government has announced a new subscheme of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana with targeted investment of Rs. 6,000 crore to further enable activities of fishermen, fish vendors and micro & small enterprises, improve value chain efficiencies and expand the market. The Sub-scheme intends to gradually formalize the fisheries sector and facilitate access to institutional financing in the sector, incentivize value chain players such as micro enterprises and/or small enterprises for improving value chain efficiencies, quality assurance and supply of safe fish and fishery products; and for creation and maintenance of jobs with focus on jobs for women in the fisheries sector. The Sub-scheme also intends to help in addressing associated risks in aquaculture system.

(e): No Sir. No such report received in the Ministry of Fisheries Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
