GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1983 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.02.2021

Conservation of Marine Life

1983. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to engage local communities to preserve and conserve marine resources and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Union Government has allotted any budget for conservation of marine life; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

- (a) Coastal Communities like Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs), Eco-Development Committee (EDC), Van Sanrakshan Samitis etc., are an integral part of preservation and conservation of the marine resources in the country.
- (b) and (c) The total funds released to the State Governments during the financial year 2020-21 for conservation of marine life under the various schemes are Rs. 790.43 Lakh. The details are at **Annexure.**

i) Details of funds released to State Governments for the conservation and management of Coral and Mangroves by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change during the financial year 2020-21

S. No.	Name of State	Fund released (Rs. In lakh)
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	0.00
2.	Andhra Pradesh	0.00
3.	Goa	0.00
4.	Gujarat	468.05
5.	Karnataka	110.92
6.	Kerala	0.00
7.	Orissa	154.41
8.	Tamil Nadu	0.00
9.	West Bengal	0.00
10.	Lakshadweep	0.00
	Total	733.38

ii) Details of fund released under Centrally Sponsored Scheme- 'Development of Wildlife Habitats' (DWH) for Marine Dolphin to the following State/UT Governments during the financial year 2020-21.

Name of State/UT	Fund released
Governments	(Rs. In lakh)
Odisha	22.80
Lakshadweep	34.25
Total	57.05
