

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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2446
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH MARCH, 2021

DEVELOPMENT OF FISHING BUSINESS

2446. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

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

- (a) whether the Government is taking any initiative to promote development of fishing business and its protection in the State of Maharashtra including Thane and Palghar districts;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of development of the fishing business and the amount of funds released for its development so far?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI)

(a) to (c): Yes sir. The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing a flagship scheme namely “Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)- to bring about 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 in all the States and UTs including Maharashtra. PMMSY addresses the critical gaps in fish production and productivity, quality, technology, post-harvest infrastructure and management, modernization and strengthening of value chain, traceability, establishing a robust fisheries management framework and fishers’ welfare. Under the PMMSY the fishers/fish farmers and other beneficiaries are provided with financial assistance for taking up fisheries developmental activities including fisheries business. The Department of Fisheries under the PMMSY during 2020-21 has approved the fisheries development proposal of Government of Maharashtra at a total cost of Rs. 153.19 crore with central share of Rs.50.64 crore.

The State Government of Maharashtra has reported that Palghar and Thane district are also targeted districts for implementation of PMMSY approved activities and an amount of Rs.431.00 lakh and Rs.322.000 lakh has been allocated to these districts respectively for the Financial Year 2020-21.
