

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 32
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND FEBRUARY, 2021

Funds Invested under PMMSY in Tamil Nadu

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

- (a) the total amount invested in the State of Tamil Nadu under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) which was propounded with Rs. 20,000 crore especially in Ramanthapuram district;
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to create 5.5 million job opportunities with the above fund and the time frame within which the jobs are going to be created; and
- (c) the extent to which the above fund helps to achieve the long-pending goal of reaching Rs. one lakh crore exports in the light of COVID-19 pandemic?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI)

- (a) to (c): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Fisheries Husbandry and Dairying has launched a flagship scheme namely “Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)”- a scheme to bring about Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector in India as a part of the *Atma Nirbhar Bharat* relief package during the COVID-19 crisis with a highest ever estimate investment of Rs. 20050 crores in fisheries sector for its implementation during a period of 5 years from the Financial Year 2020-21 to 2024-25 in all States/Union Territories including Tamil Nadu. The PMMSY with an array of diverse activities/interventions along the fisheries value chain aims to give upthrust to the development of fisheries sector, catalyze its growth and take it to next level. PMMSY aims to create large scale direct and indirect employment opportunities to the tune of about 55 lakhs on implementation over a period of five years from 2020-21 to 2024-25. The scheme has a plethora of activities aimed at enhancing fisheries exports to Rs 1 lakh crores. These include area expansion, intensification and diversification of

aquaculture, improving aquaculture productivity, technology infusion, diseases management, modern post harvest infrastructure including fishing harbours and fish landing centers, seamless cold chain for improvement of quality and shelf life, value addition, traceability, branding etc. Out of the Rs 20050 crores investment under PMMSY, Rs 1565 crores investment is envisaged for the State of Tamil Nadu. The Government of Tamil Nadu has reported that under PMMSY, Ramnathpuram has been considered as one of the potential districts in view of its potentiality in marine and brackish water fisheries. Seaweed cultivation, open sea cage cultivation, ornamental fisheries, fish marketing kiosks, boats and nets to traditional fishermen among the others are the potential activities are envisaged by the States for Rampnathpuram District.
