

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 291  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2021

**Welfare Schemes For Fishermen Related to Covid Pandemic**

**291. PROF. SAUGATA RAY:**

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

- (a) the details of the welfare schemes awarded for fishermen who suffered huge loss due to the recent pandemic;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the quantity of Kerosene for fishermen; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING**

**(DR. L. MURUGAN)**

(a): 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 an estimated investment of Rs. 20,050 crore for a period of 5 years from financial year 2020-21 to FY 2024-25 in all States/Union Territories as a part of Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Package and welfare of fishers, fish farmers and fish workers at the core of this scheme. The welfare related activities supported under the PMMSY primarily include (i) insurance cover for fishers, fish farmers, fish workers, (ii) insurance for fishing vessels, (iii) livelihood support and nutritional support for socio-economically backward active traditional fishers during fishing ban/lean period, (iv) supply of boats and nets to traditional fishermen, (v) supply of safety kits for traditional and motorized fishing vessels, (vi) supply of communications and Potential Fishing Zones devices for traditional motorized boats, (vii) support for acquisition of technologically advanced fishing vessels for traditional fishermen, (viii) Up-gradation of existing fishing vessels, (ix) Open sea cage culture, ornamental fisheries, seaweed cultivation for creating alternative employment opportunities

to coastal communities, (x) development of integrated modern fishing villages, (xi) development of fishing harbours, landing centres, cold chain facilities, transport vehicles, marketing etc. to facilitate the fishermen for smooth operation of fishing activities and augment financial returns.

(b) and (c) : No, Sir. The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has no such proposal.

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