

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3588  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2021

**Augmentation of Fisheries Sector**

**3588. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating on augmenting the production of fisheries and providing sufficient infrastructure facilities for the development of fisheries in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of funds earmarked for this purpose;
- (d) the details of the funds provided to the State of Maharashtra for this purpose; and
- (e) the details of infrastructure developed so far since its inception for the purpose?

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing a flagship scheme “Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)- A scheme to bring about Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector in India” with highest ever investment of Rs. 20,050 crore for a period of five years with effect from the financial year 2020-21 to 2024-25 in all States/Union Territories(UTs). PMMSY intends to address critical gaps in fish production and productivity, quality, technology, post-harvest infrastructure and management, modernisation and strengthening of value chain, traceability, establishing a robust fisheries management framework and fishers’ welfare.

PMMSY focuses on creation of infrastructure facilities like brood banks, hatcheries, fish feed mills, development of fishing harbours, fish landing centres, construction of marketing infrastructures like state of art whole sale fish markets, retail markets, fish kiosks, construction of cold storages, ice plants, acquisition of deep sea fishing vessels, technologically advanced fishing vessels, support for procurement of fish transport vehicles such as refrigerated and insulated vehicles, three wheelers and two wheelers with ice boxes, live fish vending centres, disease diagnostic laboratories, integrated aqua park, aquatic quarantine facilities etc., and an investment of about Rs. 9800 crore has been envisaged for this purpose.

Besides, the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying during 2018-19 has also set up a dedicated fund namely, 'Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund' (FIDF) with a total fund size of Rs.7,522.48 crore for providing concessional finance for creation and strengthening of fisheries infrastructure facilities.

(d): During 2020-21, the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has accorded approval to the fisheries development proposal of Government of Maharashtra at a total cost of Rs. 174.83 crore under the PMMSY. The approved project activities include infrastructure facilities like fin fish hatcheries, brood banks, ice plants, refrigerated vehicles, insulated vehicles, three wheelers with icebox, live fish vending centres, fish feed mills, fish kiosks, retail markets, fish value added enterprise, disease diagnostic labs. Under FIDF, proposals amounting to Rs. 2.71 crore submitted by private entrepreneurs from Maharashtra for setting up of one shrimp hatchery, setting up one backyard biofloc based Aquaculture unit and two Re-circulatory Aquaculture System units have been approved for concessional financing.

(e): The infrastructure facilities supported during the financial year 2020-21 under the PMMSY mainly include construction of 172 hatcheries, development of 9 brood-banks, acquisition of 122 deep sea fishing vessel, up-gradation of 267 existing fishing vessels, construction of 85 ice plant/cold storages, construction of 221 fish feed mill/plants, procurement of 7,238 units of fish transportation facilities, construction of 626 fish retail markets and fish kiosks, setting up of 46 value added enterprise units, setting up of 26 Disease diagnostic centre and quality testing labs and construction of 3 Aquatic referral labs. Since inception of the FIDF, the Department of Fisheries, Government of India has approved the proposals for construction of 14 fishing harbours, development of 2 brood-banks, construction of 3 hatcheries, construction of 2 fish processing plants, 1 unit of Integrated trout park, construction of 3 ice plants, construction of 2 cold storages, 2 units of Blast freezers, modernization of 6 fish seed farms with concessional financing under FIDF.

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