

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

**LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2156  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2022

**Promotion of Seaweed Cultivation**

**2156. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:  
SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote modern techniques in seaweed cultivation in the country, if so, the details thereof including subsidies and equipment provided to farmers for undertaking seaweed cultivation;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and utilised under the Prime Minister Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) scheme since 2015, year/State/UT-wise including the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (c) the total number of seaweed parks proposed and established so far, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government has considered to establish seaweed park in the State of Odisha, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) to (b): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India has been focusing on progressive growth of the seaweed sector. In this regard, financial assistance is provided for culture rafts and monolines/tubenets along with inputs at a unit cost of Rs 1500 and Rs 8000 respectively for seaweed cultivation under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) which is being implemented w.e.f. Financial year (FY) 2020-21. Projects with total cost of Rs. 6258.085 lakh with central share of Rs. 2089.175 lakh have been approved under PMMSY during FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22 (till date) for various States/Union Territories (UT) and R&D institutions. The year-wise and State/UT-wise details of funds allocated are given in Annexure 1.

(c) and (d): A proposal for establishment of seaweed park in Tamil Nadu has been received for assistance under PMMSY. So far, no proposal has been received regarding establishment of seaweed park in Odisha.

**Annexure 1****Year-wise and State/UT-wise details of funds allocated for seaweed cultivation under PMMSY during FY 2020-21 and FY2021-22 (till date)**

S. No.	State/UT	Approved cost of the projects (Rs. in lakh)	
		FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
1	Andaman & Nicobar	82.74	-
2	Andhra Pradesh	186	3,500
3	Daman & Diu	-	120
4	Gujarat	-	15
5	Karnataka	1,750	80
6	Maharashtra	94	30
7	Tamil Nadu	237.48	49.98
8	Other Approved Seaweed Projects under Central Sector	53.185	59.70
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,403.405</b>	<b>3,854.68</b>

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