GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRYAND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4274 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH March, 2022

Problems of Aqua Farmers

4274. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

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

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that Nellore district in Andhra Pradesh which is known for its aqua and fisheries industry in the country is facing many problems and is finding it difficult to get affordable prices; and
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken to solve the problems of aqua farmers and the details of incentives which are being offered to them?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (b): Andhra Pradesh is one of the leading producer of fish and is known for aquaculture and fisheries industry in the country. Nellore District is one of the major centre of fisheries and aquaculture in the State of Andhra Pradesh like several other Districts. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has reported that there is no such problems noticed in Nellore District. For the development of fisheries and aquaculture in the country including in Andhra Pradesh, the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing a flagship scheme of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) with highest ever investment of Rs. 20050 crore with effect from the financial year 2020-21. The Department of Fisheries, Government of India during the financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22 has accorded approval to the fisheries development proposals of Government of Andhra Pradesh at a total cost of Rs. 657.11 crore and released central funds of Rs. 149.63 crore to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for development of fisheries and aquaculture in the State including in Nellore District.
