

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

**LOK SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION NO \*258  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025**

**PMMSY in North-Eastern States**

**†\*258. SHRI MAHESH KASHYAP:**

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) is being implemented in the North-Eastern States alongwith the progress made so far in this regard;
- (b) the details of the specific areas of the fisheries sector such as infrastructure technology or market access being prioritized under PMMSY; and
- (c) the details of initiatives under the PMMSY customised to meet the unique needs of the North-Eastern region?

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)**

(a) to (c): A Statement is placed on the Table of the House.

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**Statement referred to in reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. \*258 put in by Shri Mahesh Kashyap, Member of Parliament for answer on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 regarding PMMSY in North-Eastern States.**

(a) to (c): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing flagship scheme namely “Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)” with investment of ₹20,050 crore in fisheries sector for a period of 5 years with effect from the FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25 in all the States/UTs including North Eastern States with an aim to address critical gaps in fish production, productivity, quality, technology, post-harvest infrastructure and management, modernization and strengthening of value chain, reduction of post-harvest losses, traceability etc. Further, for holistic development of the fisheries sector with focus on infrastructure technology and market access in the North Eastern States, the Department of Fisheries, Government of India accorded approval to the projects at a total cost of Rs. 1722.77 crore with the central share of Rs. 980.38 crore during last 4 years and current financial year based on the project proposals received from NER states. The major projects and activities supported under PMMSY in the North Eastern States includes, 6588.29 ha of Construction of new ponds, 231 units of establishment of new freshwater finfish hatcheries, 4913.11 ha for Integrated Fish Farming, 1236 unit of Raceways, 148 units of Re-circulatory Aquaculture System(RAS), 470 Nos of Biofloc units, 140 units of Feed mills, 34 units of Cold storages, 6 units of Brood banks, Construction of one riverine fish landing centre in Assam and Integrated Development of 2 reservoirs. In addition, 4 Integrated Aqua parks for holistic development of fisheries resources and 2 state of the art Modern wholesale fish markets for strengthened of market linkages have been approved in NER States.

North-eastern region is endowed with rich indigenous and endemic fish species making it a hub for variety of ornamental fish species. Under PMMSY, the Department of Fisheries has approved 644 no of Ornamental Fisheries Units to support this sector.

Further, to economically empower the fishers and fish farmers and enhance their bargaining power, the Department of Fisheries has accorded approval for setting up of a total of 501 Fish Farmers Producers Organizations in North Eastern States at a total project cost of Rs. 122.40 crore.

To support sustainable management of aquatic ecosystems while generating income and livelihood opportunities for local communities, 70 units Recreational Fisheries has been approved in NER states under PMMSY.

The Department of Fisheries, GoI earmarks minimum 10% of budgetary allocation against the annual allocation of PMMSY to NER states. Given the remoteness and difficult terrain, an additional 20% markup is allowed over and above the unit cost of the sub-components/activities under PMMSY for development of Fisheries in North-Eastern States. In addition, an enhanced central share up to 90% is also allowed for the North-Eastern States under PMMSY against 60% for the general states.

Further, for creation and strengthening of fisheries infrastructure in NER, under Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF), 7 project proposals with outlay of Rs. 10.81 crore has been approved to the private beneficiaries from NER for various fisheries related activities.

In order to meet the working capital requirements, the Department of Fisheries, GoI has been sanctioned 3823 number of Kisan Credit Card (KCC) to the fish farmers and fishers in the NER States.

The various policy interventions of schemes and programme being implemented in the NER States, the fish production in the region has increased by 70% from 3.78 lakh metric tons in 2013-14 to 6.41 lakh metric tons during 2023-24.

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