

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1940
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH MARCH, 2025**

Fishing Harbour

1940. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has approved the proposal for expansion of Muthalppozhy Fishing Harbour in Kerala and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of measures proposed for ensuring safety in the harbour to prevent recurring accidents and casualties;
- (c) the time by which the expansion works will be started;
- (d) whether the Government has set any deadline for the implementation of approved expansion plan; and
- (e) If so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI GEORGE KURIAN)

- (a) to (e): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India had accorded approval on 01st November, 2024 to the proposal of Government of Kerala for "Expansion of Muthalppozhy Fishing Harbour at Thiruvananthapuram District in Kerala" at an estimated cost of Rs.177.00 crore with central share of Rs 106.20 Crore under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).

The alignment and layout of fishing harbour has been finalized based on the necessary studies such as hydraulic model studies, shoreline evaluation, pattern of littoral movement, sedimentation and wave flume studies and these studies are conducted through Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS), Pune. The expansion of Muthalapozy Fishing Harbour consists of both water side and land side facilities that includes extension of southern breakwater, dredging of navigation channel, extension of wharf, replenishment of existing breakwater, refurbishment of existing structures, road over breakwater, renovation of loading area, shore protection of northern shoreline, upgradation of internal road, installation of surveillance system, navigation light and buoys etc. The components of Smart and Green Harbour and Coastal Security Measures have also been envisaged to enhance efficiency of the harbour. The expansion of Muthalapozy Fishing Harbour primarily designed for mitigating navigational hazard to ensures safe and smooth operations of fishing vessels. A time period of 18 months has been approved for completion of this fishing harbour project.
