

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2982
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH MARCH, 2025**

Fishermen in Daman-Diu

†2982 **Shri Patel Umeshbhai Babubhai:**

Will the Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of fishermen in Daman-Diu provided Kisan Credit Cards by the Ministry during each financial year so far along with the figures data;
- (b) whether the Ministry is aware of the number amongst the fishermen in Daman-Diu provided Kisan Credit Cards have so far availed the credit facility provided by KCC for working capital needs, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of fishermen in Daman-Diu availed the facility of interest subvention for the next year after using the KCC card for one year along with details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING
(SHRI GEORGE KURIAN)**

(a) : In the year 2018-19, Government of India extended the facility of the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme to the fishers and fish farmers to meet their working capital requirements. The number of fishermen in Daman-Diu provided with Kisan Credit Card facility by the Banks in each financial year along with the figure data is as under:

Financial Year	KCC issued by banks in Daman-Diu	Total Amount (Rs. Cr.)
2021-22	72	1.01
2022-23	475	11.16
2023-24	542	21.79
2024-25 (up to Dec-24)	578	35.58
Total	1,667	69.54

(b) : A total of 1667 fishers and fish farmers in Daman-Diu have been issued Kisan Credit Cards, providing them access to a credit facility of ₹69.54 crore from the bank to meet their working capital needs.

(c) : To saturate the eligible fishermen with the KCC facility and facilitate access to institutional credit at subvented interest rate, the Department of Fisheries (DoF) has been actively coordinating with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance, and the Union Territory Administration of Daman & Diu. The 'Nationwide AHDF KCC Campaign for 2024-25' has been launched from 15th September 2024 to 31st March 2025, for saturating all the eligible fishers and fish farmers. During this campaign, Gram Panchayat-level KCC Camps are being organized by the State/UT Fisheries Departments for on-the-spot scrutiny of applications sourced in both modes (offline through Common Service Centres and online via the 'JanSamarth' portal (www.jansamarth.in)). In the Union Budget 2025-26, the Government of India has enhanced the KCC lending limit for fishers and fish farmers from ₹3 lakh to ₹5 lakh. Additionally, the collateral-free loan limit for KCC fisheries has been raised from ₹1.60 lakh to ₹2 lakh, effective from January 1, 2025. A total of 578 fishers and fish farmers in Daman-Diu have availed the facility of Interest Subvention under KCC in Daman-Diu during the F.Y. 2024-25 (upto December, 2024).
