

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.3993
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH MARCH, 2025

PROJECT TO UPSKILL FISHERMEN

3993. Shri Kripanath Mallah:
Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal:

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

- (a) the extent to which the funding be distributed to various initiatives given that the total budget for these projects is Rs. 50 crore, with a central contribution of Rs. 38.63 crore, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the projects undertaken under this initiative;
- (c) the details of training or skill development programmes associated with these projects to upskill fishermen and other stakeholders in the fisheries value chain; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing a flagship scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana' (PMMSY) to bring about Blue Revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector and welfare of fishermen in India with an investment of Rs.20,050 crore in all States/ Union Territories. There is no such Fisheries developmental proposal at the total budget outlay of Rs. 50 crore, with a central contribution of Rs. 38.63 crore implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying. Under the Entrepreneur Model of PMMSY, the ceiling limit of the project up to Rs. 5.00 crore is supported with a subsidy of Rs.1.25 crore under general category and Rs. 1.50 crore for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe and Women beneficiaries.

PMMSY inter-alia lays special focus on training, skill development, skill upgradation and capacity building through trainings, awareness programmes and exposure visits to various stakeholders especially fishers, fish farmers, fish workers, fish vendors, entrepreneurs, officials, fisheries Cooperatives and members of Fish Farmer Producer Organizations (FFPOs) for various fishing technology, aquaculture and post-harvest related activities. The Training, Awareness, Exposure and Capacity Building programmes are carried out through the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), ICAR institutes, Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), other organizations and State/UT Fisheries Departments. Under the PMMSY, a total of 2,57,743 fishers have got trained in Fisheries and Aquaculture sector across the country.
