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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2632 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5THAUGUST, 2025

Promotion of Fisheries in Less Water Resources Areas

2632. Shri Murari Lal Meena:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that fisheries can be expanded at the local level despite the limited possibilities in State like Rajasthan which has less water resource;
- (b) whether the Government has carried out any detailed assessment or study on how fisheries can be promoted in areas with less water resources;
- (c) whether any special scheme has been prepared by the Government for Rajasthan in this regard under which efforts are being made to promote fisheries through ponds, dams or other water sources in Lok Sabha Constituency Dausa also; and
- (d) the names of the districts in Rajasthan where these schemes have been implemented so far for promoting fisheries along with the amount of financial assistance and technical support provided for the same including Lok Sabha Constituency Dausa?

ANSWER

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

- (a) :The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying during the last five years (2020-21 to 2024-25) has accorded approvals to the fisheries developmental proposals of Government of Rajasthan at a total cost of Rs. 66.12 crore with central share of Rs. 22.22 crore for development of fisheries infrastructure, development of fisheries and aquaculture in the State under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana(PMMSY). The State of Rajasthan has a significant number of reservoirs, irrigation dams, and rural ponds, offering potential for fish production through scientific management and the adoption of new technologies. The key initiatives taken up and implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Government of Rajasthan for development of fisheries and aquaculture with minimal water and land resources include (i) establishment of new fin fish hatcheries, (ii) establishment of Bio floc units, (iii) establishment of Re-circulatory Aquaculture System units, (iv) establishment of Ornamental fish units, (v) Construction of new ponds and (vii) Reservoir cages.
- (b): Government of Rajasthan informed that they have prepared an action plan in consultation with ICAR-Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai and ICAR-Central Institute of Brackishwater Aquaculture for promotion of fisheries and aquaculture development including saline aquaculture in the state.
- (c) and (d): The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) implemented in the State including the Dausa Lok Sabha Constituency, inter-alia, envisages 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, etc. Government of Rajasthan informed that during the last 5 years, as per the proposals received from the private sector, approvals have been issued to 04 fish farmers for construction offisheries pond on 3.50 hectare and approval has been issued to 03 fish farmers for setting up cage culture project in Bandh Morel, District Dausa.