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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2716 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05TH AUGUST, 2025

Promoted Schemes for Farmers in Karnataka

2716. Shri Kota Srinivasa Poojary:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any promoted scheme for Intensive Aquaculture of Ponds and Tanks in Karnataka under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), if so, the details thereof:
- (b) the funds disbursed by the Government under the scheme during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that there is need to increase the budget for supporting the aquaculture farmers in Karnataka; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to provide more financial support to the aquaculture farmers, who are doing aquaculture farming in ponds and tanks in Karnataka?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Department of Fisheries, Government of India (DoF, GoI) under the flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) being currently implemented envisages promotion of intensive aquaculture system also including ponds and tanks. During last five years, DoF, GoI has approved fisheries developmental projects of Government of Karnataka amounting to Rs.1058.98 crore. The approved activities *inter-alia* included interventions promoting intensive aquaculture like construction of new Freshwater/brackishwater and marine hatcheries (19 units), area expansion through ponds and tanks under aquaculture (2205 hectare,), area expansion through biofloc ponds in fresh and brackishwater (351.4 hectare), stocking of fingerlings in reservoirs (346.27 hectare), reservoir cages (700 units), ornamental fish rearing and breeding units (79 units), culture through Re-circulatory Aquaculture systems (713 units), *Matsya Seva Kendras* extension services to facilitate fisheries including fish farming (7 units). The details of funds disbursed by the DoF, GoI to Government of Karnataka under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) during the last three years are as below:

Rs.in lakh

SI.No	Financial Year	Funds disbursed under PMMSY
(i)	2022-23	6608.00
(ii)	2023-24	2981.36
(iii)	2024-25	3793.06

(c) & (d): Department of Fisheries, GoI is committed towards holistic development of fisheries in all States and Union Territories including Karnataka, and it gives high priority towards development of aquaculture with sufficient budgetary provisions. The projects under PMMSY are approved based on the consolidated proposals submitted by the respective State Governments. In addition, in order to strengthen the institutional credit in fisheries sector, the facilities of Kisan Credit Card (KCC) has been extended to fishers and fish farmers including aquaculture farming in ponds and tanks to help them to meet their working capital requirements. Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) has also been created enabling concessional financing to fishers, aquaculture farmers for various activities including aquaculture farming.
