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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4162. TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH AUGUST, 2025

PMMSY for Women

4162. Dr. Hemant Vishnu Savara:

Shri Pradeep Kumar Singh:

Shri Bhojraj Nag:

Dr. Nishikant Dubey:

Shri Rajkumar Chahar:

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

- (a) the total number of women engaged in the fisheries sector in the country and the number of women beneficiaries under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) till date, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the funding mechanism for women beneficiaries and the total value of projects sanctioned for women under PMMSY, State-wise;
- (c) the specific initiatives, training programmes and financial assistance being provided by the Government to promote women's participation in fisheries sector, State-wise;
- (d) the steps being taken by the Gender Budget Cell to address the key gender-related issues identified in the sector, such as lack of access to markets, capital and social security for women workers; and
- (e) the details of initiatives, training programmes and financial assistance being provided to promote women's participation in fisheries sector in Palghar district and Maharashtra?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

(SHRI GEORGE KURIAN)

(a) to (d): The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India encompasses inclusive development by providing higher financial assistance of 60 percent of the unit cost for women beneficiaries under beneficiary-oriented activities. Further, under the Entrepreneur Model of PMMSY, women are supported with financial assistance up to 60% of the total project cost, with a ceiling limit of Rs. 1.50 crore per project. To promote women's participation in the fisheries sector, PMMSY supports women beneficiaries across a range of activities including fish farming, hatcheries, seaweed farming, bivalve cultivation, ornamental fisheries, fish processing, and marketing. Training and capacity-building programs have been imparted to women beneficiaries under PMMSY, including initiatives for entrepreneurship, skill development, and livelihood generation and start-ups.

Under the PMMSY, during the last five Financial Years (2020-21 to 2024-25), fisheries development proposals amounting to Rs. 4061.96 crore with central share of Rs. 1534.46 crore have been sanctioned for covering a total 99,018 women beneficiaries across various States and UTs. State-wise details of the fisheries development proposals approved for benefits of women beneficiaries are furnished at **Annexure I.**

(e): The Government of Maharashtra has reported that the State Government has taken various initiatives to promote women's participation in fisheries sector which includes (i) Awareness programmes, workshops, camps, Government at doorstep, exhibitions, (ii) Outreach programmes, publicity through banners/flex at block level, (iii) Training programmes regarding implementation of various components related to fish culture, (iv) Advertisement published in newspaper for promotion of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana scheme and (v) Issuance of information through pamphlets, brochures, leaflets regarding the publicity and promotion of schemes. The State Government has further reported that in order to run the PMMSY scheme smoothly and efficiently, training programmes are conducted at District level and a total of 112 training programmes including 17 training programmes in Palghar District were conducted with Women's participation in the State. The Government of Maharashtra has reported that financial assistance of Rs. 401.25 crore to promote women's participation in fisheries has been sanctioned and released a sum of Rs. 271.87 crore to total 2119 women beneficiaries during last five years (FY 2020-21 to FY2024-25) under PMMSY. This include an amount of Rs 7.35 crore sanctioned and release of Rs 4.48 crore to a total 32 women beneficiaries in Palghar District of Maharashtra.

Annexure-I

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha unstarred Question No.4162 for answer on 19th August, 2025 put in by Dr. Hemant Vishnu Savara, Shri Pradeep Kumar Singh, Shri Bhojraj Nag, Dr. Nishikant Dubey and Shri Rajkumar Chahar, Hon'ble Members of Parliament (Lok Sabha) regarding PMMSY for Women: State-wise details of the projects sanctioned for covering women beneficiaries during the last five years (2020-21 to 2024-25) under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana

(Rs.in lakhs)

CI	State/UT	Number of	Total Project	(NS.III lakiis)
SI. no		Beneficiaries	Cost	Central shared
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	281	1542.20	925.32
2	Andhra Pradesh	715	4367.50	1572.30
3	Arunachal Pradesh	2	80.00	43.20
4	Assam	2799	13883.88	7497.30
5	Bihar	3538	12073.23	4346.37
6	Chhattisgarh	4567	24992.61	8934.25
7	Delhi	8	158.00	94.80
8	Goa	260	2040.50	734.58
9	Gujarat	5812	15109.76	5439.51
10	Haryana	4173	28251.50	10470.54
11	Himachal Pradesh	1816	4839.01	2612.79
12	Jammu and Kashmir	51	251.90	151.14
13	Jharkhand	3366	20346.70	7293.32
14	Karnataka	17956	30913.80	11122.56
15	Kerala	678	4874.50	1754.82
16	Ladakh	6	25.80	15.48
17	Lakshadweep	353	1471.31	882.79
18	Madhya Pradesh	3384	28343.55	10046.19
19	Maharashtra	13804	70844.57	25378.04
20	Manipur	618	3502.50	1891.35
21	Meghalaya	500	991.11	535.20
22	Mizoram	217	1337.50	722.25
23	Nagaland	136	657.40	355.00
24	Odisha	5479	28859.75	10378.83
25	Puducherry	275	2078.25	1250.55
26	Punjab	624	4699.70	1691.89
27	Rajasthan	541	2695.00	981.30
28	Sikkim	10	30.00	16.20
29	Tamil Nadu	12619	7841.93	2823.09
30	Telangana	634	4047.00	1446.42
	Dadra and Nagar Haveli			
31	and Daman and Diu	2	100.00	60.00
32	Tripura	1654	4685.18	2529.93
33	Uttar Pradesh	10633	59262.83	21451.27
34	Uttarakhand	569	4534.18	2070.46
35	West Bengal	938	16463.88	5926.99
	Total	99018	406196.53	153446.04
