

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl.No.	Name of the fishing harbour	District	Date of approval	Project cost	Central Government Share	amount released
1.	Peogad (Anandwadi)	Sindhudurg	19.02.2008	3589.00	1794.50	NIL
2.	Karanja	Raigad	24.03.2011	6802.00	5101.50	400.00
3.	Arnala	Thane	25.03.2011	6156.00	4617.00	300.00

The Central share in respect of Deogad (Anandwadi) fishing harbour project has not been released, as the State Government has not confirmed that the land is free from encroachment and encumbrances.

The major fishing harbour at Sassoon Dock, Mumbai has been developed with 100 percent funding from the Ministry of Agriculture. The Ministry of Agriculture has so far provided an amount of Rs. 1301.51 lakh to the Mumbai Port Trust for development of the fishing harbour and the *management, maintenance and operations of the harbour has been entrusted to them.*

The Ministry of Agriculture through the Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF), Bangalore also has got formulated a report for renovation and modernization of Sasoon Dock Fishing Harbour and advised the Mumbai Port Trust to (i) frame the cost estimate and (ii) set up an institutional system to manage the fishing harbour in a professional manner to ensure quality services to the users.

Shortfall in production of pulses and oils

2515. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that domestic production of pulses and oils are not meeting the country's demand;
- (b) if so, the reasons for shortfall in production of pulses and oils;
- (c) whether Government is taking any step to meet the demand of pulses and oils; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) As per the 3rd advance estimate of 2011-12 of DES, nearly 17.02 million tons of pulses production is estimated against the demand projection of 19.91 million tons. Similarly in case of Oilseeds, against the projected demand of 53.39 million tons, 30.06 million tons production of oilseeds is recorded.

(b) The main constraints in production of pulses and oilseeds are as follows:

- More than 85% pulses and oilseeds are produced under rainfed conditions;
- Inadequate certified seed availability of improved varieties;
- Lack of consistency in yield performance of pulse varieties;
- Susceptibility to a number of pests and disease; vagaries of weather;
- Cost benefit ratio of pulses and oilseeds is less attractive than other competing crops;
- Problems in marketing etc.

(c) and (d) Government of India has been implementing National Food Security Mission-pulses in 16 major pulses producing states to enhance the production and productivity of pulses. Besides, Accelerated Pulse's Production Programme (A3P) was also launched from Kharif, 2010 as a part of NFSM-Pulses for demonstration of Production and Protection Technologies as Village Level Compact Blocks for enhanced production and productivity of pulses as well as motivating farmers for increased investment in promoting pulses production. Assistance is also being provided to the farmers under other crop development programmes such as Integrated development of 60,000 villages of Pulses, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), and Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA) for enhancing agricultural production including that of pulses.

Similarly, oilseed development is being promoted through Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil palm and Maize (ISOPOM) based cropping system in 9 Oil Palm growing states in the country.

These efforts of the Government have resulted in significant increase in production of pulses and oilseeds crops this year, as is evident from the production figure released in 3rd Advance estimates 2011-12. Pulses production which remained stagnant at 14-14.5 million tons for many years had increased to 18.24 million tons during 2010-11. This year so far 17.02 million tones of pulses and 30.06 million tons of oil seeds production are recorded.

Acreage under wheat production

2516. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the rabi wheat acreage has gone up compared to the last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, compared to the last five years, State-wise; and
- (c) the future action plan prepared for this?