

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1233  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022

**Employment under PMMSY**

**1233. Shri Masthan Rao Beeda:**

Will the Minister of **Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that by 2024-25, Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) intends to generate about 55 lakhs direct and indirect employment opportunities in the fisheries sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the roadmap for the same;
- (c) the extent to which the PMMSY has helped in increasing incomes of fishermen, particularly in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) whether employment is being generated through the implementation of PMMSY as envisaged; and
- (e) if so, the number of fishermen who got employment under the scheme as against the stipulated targets and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING:**

**(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)**

(a) to (e) : The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) envisages to generate direct and indirect employment opportunities to about 55 lakh personnel in fisheries and aquaculture sector by 2024-25. The PMMSY at an estimated investment of Rs. 20,050 crore with array of more than 100 components/sub-components is implemented in all the States and Union Territories including Government of Andhra Pradesh for a period of 5 years from financial year 2020-21 to 2024-25. The scheme aims to create direct and indirect employment opportunities for fishers, fish farmers, fish workers, fish vendors, entrepreneurs and enhance income of fishers and other stakeholders etc., through the implementation of various targeted interventions in fish production, productivity, fisheries infrastructure and marketing.

The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying during last two financial years (2020-21 and 2021-22) and current year (2022-23) has accorded approvals to the proposals of various States/UTs and other implementing agencies amounting Rs. 11158.26 crore with central share of Rs. 4084.87 crore under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY). These projects include the proposals amounting to Rs.2126.02 crore approved for Andhra Pradesh. The major activities approved under PMMSY *inter- alia* include, construction of 14417.83 ha of pond area, 2795 biofloc units, 5000 units of Re-circulatory Aquaculture System (RAS), 24,294 inland cages, 513 fish/shrimp hatcheries, 426 units of deep sea fishing vessels, 1556 units of sea cages, 1690 of ornamental fish rearing units, 55,500 seaweed rafts, 63,731 of monoline tubes for seaweed cultivation, development of 2699.35 ha on integrated fish farming, 22 Fishing Harbours/Fish Landing Centres , 354 units of ice plants/cold storages, 542 units of fish feed mill/plants, 17,535 units of fish transportation facilities, 186 units of fish retail markets, 14 disease diagnostic centre & quality testing labs, 4 aquatic referral labs, 3 units of state of art wholesale fish market, 2489 sagar mitras, livelihood & nutritional support to 6,77,462 fishers during ban/lean period and establishment of a multipurpose Seaweed park. It is estimated that these activities taken up under the PMMSY are aiming to create 8.53 lakh direct employment opportunities and 25.50 lakh indirect employment opportunities and contributing to enhanced income of fishers and other stakeholders in the country including Andhra Pradesh.

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