

Development of Fisheries and Fishermen

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The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has launched various schemes/programmes for holistic development of fisheries and aquaculture and empowerment of fishermen community in the country. Details of the Central Schemes/Programmes implemented are as below:

1. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries implemented for a period of 5 years from FY 2015-16 to FY 2019-20 with a central outlay of Rs.3000 crore and this scheme mobilized an investment of about Rs 5000 crore into the fisheries sector.

1. In order to address the infrastructure requirement for fisheries sector, Fisheries & Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) was launched in the year 2018-19 with a total funds size of Rs 7522.48 crore. FIDF provides concessional finance to the Eligible Entities (EEs), including State Governments/Union Territories for development of identified fisheries infrastructure facilities. The Department of Fisheries, Government of India provides interest subvention up to 3% per annum for the repayment period of 12 years inclusive of moratorium of 2 years for providing the concessional finance by the Nodal Loaning Entities (NLEs) at the interest rate not lower than 5% per annum. The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) has been implementing from FY 2020-21 with an estimated investment of Rs.20,050 crore. This scheme is designed to address the critical gaps in fish production and productivity, quality, technology, post-harvest infrastructure and management, modernisation and strengthening of fisheries value chain, establishing a robust fisheries management framework and fishers' welfare. The scheme also provides insurance of fishers & fish farmers and imparting training for skill development and capacity building among fishers and fish farmers. To make the fisheries sector resilient and incentivize adoption of efficiencies in fisheries value chain, the Department of Fisheries, Government of India has been implementing a Central Sector Sub-scheme "Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah Yojana (PMMKSSY)" a sub-scheme under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) with an investment of Rs. 6000 crore. PMMKSSY aims at formalization of the fisheries sector, incentivizing the aquaculture insurance, fisheries micro and small enterprises value chain efficiency, adoption of safety and quality system for safe fish production etc. Additionally, the Government of India with effect from the financial year 2018-19 has extended the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) facility to fishers and fish farmers to help them to meet their working capital requirements.

The State-wise details of the projects approved under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana during the last five years (FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25) are furnished at **Annexure-I**.

The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying *inter-alia* focus on training, awareness, and capacity building of fishers, fish farmers, and fish workers/vendors. The National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) functioning under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has been designated as Nodal agency for implementing the training, awareness and capacity-building programmes under PMMSY. During the last five years (FY2020-21 to FY2024-25), the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) has supported a total of 3,028 webinars, workshops, and training sessions, benefiting 2,92,315 fish farmers, entrepreneurs, and coastal youth. These initiatives have been instrumental in advancing sectoral potential across production, productivity, post-harvest management, and marketing linkages, in alignment with the

objectives of the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)

The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), *inter-alia* provides support for creation of modern post-harvest cold chain infrastructures such as cold storages, ice plants, fish transportation vehicles including refrigerated and insulated vehicles, motorcycles, bicycles and autorickshaws with ice/fish holding boxes, marketing and fish market infrastructure facilities. For strengthening the post-harvest infrastructure, during the last five financial years (FY2020-21 to FY2024-25), 734 cold storages and ice plants, 27,301 units of fish transportation facilities such as 10924 motorcycles with ice boxes, 9412 bicycles with ice boxes, 3915 auto rickshaws, 1265 Live fish Vending units, 1406 insulated trucks and 379 refrigerated trucks, 6410 fish Kiosks, 202 fish retail fish markets, 21 wholesale fish markets have been sanctioned under PMMSY in all States and Union Territories at a total outlay of Rs.2375.25 crore.

The Government of Uttar Pradesh has reported that the ponds, reservoirs and other water sources available in Chandauli District of Uttar Pradesh have been utilised optimally for fisheries purpose. The details of the projects implemented by the Government to promote fisheries in Chandauli District of Uttar Pradesh is furnished at **Annexure-II**

Annexure-I

The State-wise details of the projects approved under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana during the last five years (2020-21 to 2024-25)

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	State/UT	Total Project Cost	Central Share approved	Central Funds Rel
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)
1	Andaman and Nicobar	5822.10	3095.53	11
2	Andhra Pradesh	240552.67	56331.08	430
3	Arunachal Pradesh	20028.09	13232.11	113
4	Assam	54162.88	29844.11	187
5	Bihar	54850.48	17440.25	87
6	Chhattisgarh	93211.45	30876.37	236
7	Daman & Diu, Dadra and NH	13516.89	13243.49	1
8	Delhi	533.25	286.08	1
9	Goa	11685.19	4911.44	47
10	Gujarat	89754.81	32486.72	103
11	Haryana	76086.75	26216.03	121
12	Himachal Pradesh	15450.52	7921.83	50
13	Jammu and Kashmir	15019.86	7773.04	118
14	Jharkhand	44548.36	15163.90	96
15	Karnataka	105898.15	36613.93	295
16	Kerala	134755.43	57743.01	344
17	Ladakh	3399.20	2061.36	14

18	Lakshadweep	6746.48	4441.63	14
19	Madhya Pradesh	91960.97	30550.92	242
20	Maharashtra	147263.78	56029.31	304
21	Manipur	20181.70	9584.34	29
22	Meghalaya	13262.36	7425.72	45
23	Mizoram	14785.80	8128.27	69
24	Nagaland	16538.38	10696.52	73
25	Odisha	129842.00	47944.55	347
26	Puducherry	35230.01	29176.00	61
27	Punjab	16792.95	4703.61	26
28	Rajasthan	6612.14	2222.73	5
29	Sikkim	7827.78	4681.83	33
30	Tamil Nadu	115615.80	44865.07	153
31	Telangana	33937.09	10872.64	32
32	Tripura	25974.81	14853.41	67
33	Uttar Pradesh	129432.78	41230.51	281
34	Uttarakhand	32297.12	16667.56	183
35	West Bengal	54439.44	22554.68	55
36	Others (Transponders, etc.)	36400.00	21840.00	497
37	Insurance activities	8927.77	8927.77	89
38	PMMKSSY	1193.07	1193.07	11
39	Central Sector Projects	202877.29	165148.29	697
Total		2127415.58	918978.71	5587

Annexure-II

Details of projects implemented to promote fisheries in Chandauli District of Uttar Pradesh

Sl. No.	Name of the activity	Numbers	Area	Unit Cost (Rs. in Lakhs)	Total Project cost (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Beneficiary oriented Schemes				
1.1	Backyard Re-circulatory Aquaculture System	20	-	0.50	
1.2	Biofloc Pond	10	-	14.00	1
1.3	Cycle with Ice Box	24	-	0.10	2
1.4	Large Recirculatory Aquaculture System	3	-	50.00	1
1.5	Live Fish Vending	3	-	20.00	

1.6	Medium Recirculatory Aquaculture System	3	-	25.00	
1.7	Motorcycle With Ice Box	4	-	0.75	
1.8	Pond Construction	-	61.31	11.00	6
1.9	Rearing Unit	-	14.10	7.00	
1.10	Small Re-circulatory Aquaculture System	13	-	7.50	
2	Non-Beneficiary oriented Scheme				
2.1	Construction of wholesale fish market	1	-	6187.70	61

This information was given by Union Minister of State, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri George Kurian, in a written reply in Lok Sabha on 12th August, 2025.

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