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Subject: - **Circulation of Monthly Summary of principal activities and the important decisions taken by Ministers/Departments to the Cabinet for the month of October, 2021 in respect of the Department of Fisheries-reg**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Cabinet Secretariat's O.M No. 1/26/1/2018-Cab dated 19th August, 2019 on the above mentioned subject and circulate herewith Monthly Summary of the Department of Fisheries for the month of June, 2022 containing principal activities undertaken, important decision taken and progress of action taken on the decisions of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees are enclosed for your kind information.

Encl: As above



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To
All Members of Council of Ministers

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- 1) The Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi-110001 (Kind attn to : Shri Bhaskar Dasgupta, Director)
- 2) The Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister
- 3) The Secretary to the President, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi
- 4) The Secretary to the Vice-President, 6, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi
- 5) The Press Information Officer, Minister of Information & Broadcasting, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
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Copy for Information to:

- 1) PS to Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- 2) PS to Hon'ble MOSs for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- 3) PPS to Secretary, Department of Fisheries
- 4) PPS to AS&FA
- 5) PPS to JSs, Department of Fisheries
- 6) Technical Director, NIC DOF with a request to upload the enclosed document in the Department website.

Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month of June, 2022 in the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

1. Hon'ble Minister, Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (FAHD), launched the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) Management Information Systems (MIS) **dashboard** on 7th June 2022.
2. 8th International Yoga Day-2022 was celebrated by this Department at Kedarnath, Uttarakhand on 21st June, 2022. Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan, Hon'ble MoS, FAHD was the chief guest of the occasion and program was attended by more than 500 participants. This program was also organised at all the attached offices of this Department as a part of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav* towards commemorating the 75 glorious years of India's Independence, to create awareness among public on importance of Yoga in everyday of life and also focusing on to the health of the fellow employees.
3. Hon'ble Minister of State, (FAHD and I&B) inspected various fisheries projects in Kakinada district, Andhra Pradesh on 14th June, 2022 and interacted with the stakeholders. He also released brochures on Entrepreneurship Models and on *Pompano* fish culture during the beneficiary interaction program.
4. The Department attended the meeting of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Labour, Textile and Skill to discuss on "*Examination of National Policy of Child Labour- An Assessment*" on 15th June, 2022 in Parliament House Annexe and took note of the suggestions made by the committee for further action.
5. The Inter-Session Meeting of the Consultative Committee of the Ministry of FAHD on the subject of "*Adoption new technology in Fisheries and Aquaculture*" was held on 30th June, 2022 in Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi. The Department briefed about the new technologies in Fisheries and Aquaculture sector to the Committee and took note of the suggestions made by the Members of Committee for further guidance and for compliance.
6. The Department, as the part of the delegation led by Hon'ble Minister for Commerce and Industries the participated in the 12th Ministerial Conference of WTO held in Geneva from 12th June 2022 to 17th June 2022 and pro-actively worked towards bridging the differences and developing consensus on various multilateral issues leading to adoption of the historic Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies on 17th June 2022. During the course of negotiations, India successfully defended and protected its right to give subsidy to the traditional and small scale fishers operating in our jurisdictional waters (both Territorial Waters and Exclusive Economic Zone) and in the international waters covered under RFMO (Regional Fisheries Management Organization) agreements. The major decisions taken in Agreement are to eliminate subsidies for Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing, and to prohibit subsidies for those fishing overfished stocks and to eliminate subsidy for fishing undertaken in High Sea outside RFMO areas. It is expected that these measure will curb large scale indiscriminate industrial fishing and help the fish stocks to regenerate, thus helping the small scale coastal fishing.
7. The department in association with ICAR- National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources (NBFGR) took steps to strengthen and expand the program of 'National Surveillance Programme for Aquatic Animal Diseases (NSPAAD)' and sanctioned a sum of Rs. 33.77 crore to NBFGR for implementation of the NSPAAD phase-II in association with state governments and other stakeholders under PMMSY for a period of 3 years. This is expected to result in improving the disease surveillance system and in reducing the disease risk to aquaculture through prompt remedial actions.

8. Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA), in the month of June 2022 approved 578 applications for registration & 53 applications for renewal of aquaculture farms and 113 applications from 31 companies of Aqua Input Manufacturers and distributors for issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free substances during June, 2022. In addition, CAA also processed 299 applications for registration and renewal of registration of farms, 7 applications for registration and renewal of registration of shrimp hatcheries and 30 applications from 9 companies of Aqua Input Manufacturers and distributors for issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free substances during June, 2022.
9. The NFDB organised 54 Training and Awareness Programs and Outreach activities through various media covering 17723 persons in the month of June, 2022. The National Institute of Fisheries Post-Harvest Technology and Training (NIFPHATT) conducted training programme on post-harvest management for nineteen (19) marine fisher women/men comprising of 173 trainee days during the month.
10. The Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) conducted two (2) training programmes for 139 marine fishermen in addition to running their regular courses. Two exploratory fishery training vessels sailed to impart onboard practical training to the Institutional trainees & Post institutional trainees.
11. The Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF) conducted technical evaluation and prepared the design and Detailed Project Reports (DPR) for construction of four (4) fishing harbours at Jeevana & Bhardkhol in Raigad district and Harnai & Sakhari Nate in Ratnagiri District of Maharashtra State.
12. The Joint Secretary (Inland Fisheries) participated in UN Ocean Conference at Lisbon, Portugal from 27th June, 2022 to 1st July, 2022 as a part of Indian Delegation led by Dr Jitendra Singh Hon'ble Minister of State and senior officers from MoES and delivered address on the topic of "Making Fisheries Sustainable and Providing Access to Small Scale/ Artisanal Fishers to Marine Resources and Markets".
13. The Department of fisheries approved operations of new Brood Stock Multiplication (BMC) facility in private sector for Specific Pathogen Free (SPF) *Penaeus monodon* shrimp (tiger shrimp) in Gujarat during June 2022. This will greatly help in diversification of shrimp aquaculture and would give impetus for expansion of tiger shrimp cultivation and export. In addition, the Department also approved establishment of one more BMC in private sector for proliferation of SPF *Litopenaus vannamei* shrimp in Andhra Pradesh.
14. The Government of Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra notified constitution of Task Force for prevention of usage of banned antibiotics in aquaculture based on the advice of this Department.
15. On 17th June 2022 a one day workshop cum brain storming meeting jointly organized by NFDB, CAA & MPEDA was held under the chairmanship of the undersigned with the coastal states/UTs, R&D institutions and other key stakeholders on the ways and means for enhancing fisheries exports from India.
16. The Department of fisheries approved a collaborative project of Rs. 7.10 crore to Fishery Survey of India, MPEDA, and ICAR CIFT for "Marine Mammal Stock Assessments in India" under PMMSY for a period of three years to comply with requirements of US-NOAA (National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration) to ensure that US Administration does not put any non-tariff barrier on export of wild caught marine fishes to USA.

17. The Department of Fisheries initiated a system of regular interactions with the stakeholders. On 23/06/2022, a series of meetings were held with fishermen and aquaculture farmers associations, with seed and feed producers, exporters, processors, domestic traders & online marketers; on further meetings with State cooperative federations and fishing gear manufacturers were held on 24/06/2022 & 28/06/2022 respectively.
18. The Department convened a meeting with ICAR fisheries research institutes, State Fisheries Universities and experts on 26/06/2022 to discuss on operationalizing fisheries related technologies that can enhance production and productivity, and to formulate and prioritize areas for research for next 2 years.
19. Public Grievances: the grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 94% as on 30th June, 2022.