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## PREFACE

This, the twelfth edition of the 'Handbook on Fisheries Statistics', contains useful information on various aspects of the Fisheries sector.

The importance of this sector in the socio economic development of the country is well known. Not only is it a source of livelihood for over 14 million people, it has also contributed ₹ 30,213 crore through exports during 2013-14. India is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest producer of fish in the world with a share of 5.68% of the global total, as per FAO Statistics.

The country has a long coastline of about 8,118 km and an exclusive economic zone of 2.02 million sq. km. The vast resources both inland and marine are indicative of the immense growth potential of the sector. We are well on our way to harnessing this potential as can be seen from the fact that fish production increased from a level of 0.75 million tonnes in 1950-51 to 9.58 million tonnes in 2013-14 comprising 3.44 million tonnes from marine and 6.14 million tonnes from inland resources. The Fishery sector also accounts for 0.83 percent of total GDP and 4.75 percent of the Agriculture Sector's GDP at current prices for the year 2012-13. We are confident that this sector will continue to grow, especially the inland component.

I take this opportunity to thank officers in States & UT's and other agencies for their wholehearted co-operation in supplying necessary information for the Handbook. I also wish to place on record my appreciation for all officers of the Fisheries Division, especially the Statistics Unit for bringing out the publication. I hope this publication would be made full use by Planners, Policy makers, Researchers and others.

Suggestions for improvement in the contents and presentation of the Handbook are welcome.



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1. Area of the country	3.29 million sq. km.		
2. Length of Coastline	8118 kms		
3. Exclusive Economic Zone	2.02 million sq. km.		
4. Continental shelf area (approx.)	0.53 million sq. km.		
5. Fish Production in 2013-14 (Prov.)(million tonnes)	Marine	Inland	Total
	3.44	6.14	9.58
6. Export of fisheries products, 2013-14			
a) Quantity ('000 Tonnes)	983.76		
b) Value (₹ crores)	30213.26		
7. Contribution of fisheries to Gross Domestic Product (GDP), 2012-13 at current prices			
a) GDP from fisheries	₹ 78053 Crores		
b) Contribution of fisheries sector to			
i. Total GDP	0.83 per cent		
ii. GDP from Agriculture sector	4.75 per cent		
8. Population			
a) On March 1, 2001	1028.70 million		
b) On March 1, 2011	1210.19 million		
c) Annual Exponential Growth Rate 1901-2011	1.67%		
d) Decadal changes in %	17.64		

**9. Fishermen population (as per Livestock Census, 2003)**

**a) No. of family members**

i. Total	14,485,354
ii. Males	4,696,158
iii. Females	4,033,963
iv. Children	5,755,233

**b) Engaged in fishing operations**

i. Full time	933,124
ii. Part time	1,072,079

**c) Engaged in fishing related activities other than actual fishing**

i. Marketing of fish	391,000
ii. Repair of fishing nets	245,100
iii. Processing of fish	46,200
iv. Other activities	334,700

