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Department of Fisheries

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OFFICE MEMORANDAM

Subject: Circulation of Monthly Summary of principal activities and the important decisions taken by Ministries/ Departments to the Cabinet for the month of September, 2023 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 September, 2023 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 attention 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
- 6) The Secretaries, all Ministries/Departments of Government of India
- 7) The Adviser, Agriculture Vertical, NITI Aayog, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi

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 September, 2023 in the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

1. Hon`ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala chaired the National Conference on Kisan Credit Card (KCC) for fisheries with various stakeholders at Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, Mumbai, Maharashtra on 04th September, 2023. Dr. L. Murugan, Hon`ble Minister of State, Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Hon`ble Minister of State, Ministry of Finance, Dr. Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad, Hon`ble Minister for Fisheries, Govt. of Maharashtra, Shri Sudhir Mungantiwar, Hon`ble Minister for Revenue, Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development, Government of Maharashtra and other dignitaries were also present. Senior officers from various Central Ministries, Reserve Bank of India, NABARD, Banks and State/UT Fisheries Department participated in the Conference. Fishermen from 35 states/UTs joined from 370 locations including through Common Service Centers (CSC) virtually and 600 physically participated in the program. KCC Guidelines/SOP was distributed in 7 vernacular languages during KCC Conference.
2. Hon`ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala inaugurated the second Edition of ICAR-Central Institute of Brackishwater Aquaculture Shrimp Farmers Conclave-2023 at the Navsari Agricultural University Campus in Gujarat on 14th September, 2023. About 410 aqua farmers across the coastal districts of Gujarat participated in the Conclave. Hon`ble Minister also launched the Shrimp Crop Insurance Scheme developed by the Agricultural Insurance Company (AIC) with the support of ICAR-CIBA during the occasion in the presence of the Chairman cum Managing Director of AIC. Two MoU were signed between CIBA and NFDB; CIBA and Fish Farmers Producer Organization (FFPO) of Gujarat respectively.
3. Hon`ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala attended an event on the occasion of 3rd Anniversary of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) on 15th September 2023 at Indore, Madhya Pradesh. The Hon`ble Minister launched a six month long outreach initiative of the Department of Fisheries "Matsya Sampada Jagrukata Abhiyan" with objective of disseminating information about ongoing schemes and programmes of the Department and reaching out to the potential fishers, fish farmers and other stakeholders. The Hon`ble Minister also inaugurated various projects approved under PMMSY pertaining to production and productivity enhancement, post-harvest infrastructure and other value chain augmentation interventions. Another activity of the event was the inauguration of the Exhibition on Fisheries to showcase innovations, initiatives, and advancements in the fisheries sector including Startups, Fish Farmer Producer Organization (FFPOs) and Fish Cooperatives etc.
4. Hon`ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala graced the launch function of PM Vishwakarma Scheme at Mangalore, Karnataka on 17th September 2023. Hon`ble Minister of Fisheries, Ports and Inland Water Transport, Government of Karnataka, Shri Mankala S. Vaidya; Hon`ble Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) Mangalore (North), Dr. Y. Bharath Shetty; MLA Mangalore (South), Shri D. Vedavyas Kamath; Mayor of Mangalore City Corporation, Shri Sudhir Shetty; Chief

Executive, National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) and Deputy Commissioner of Dakshina Kannada (Mangalore) were also present on the occasion.

5. Hon`ble Union Minister, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala and Hon`ble Minister of State, MoFAHD, Dr. L. Murugan launched Annual Capacity Building Plan (ACBP) of Department of Fisheries (DoF) on 20th September, 2023.
6. Hon`ble Union Minister, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala and Shri G.V.L. Narasimha Rao, Hon`ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha inaugurated the newly renovated Marine Museum at Fishery Survey of India, Visakhapatnam on 25th September, 2023 where more than 250 specimens are preserved. Hon`ble Minister interacted with the representatives of fishing industry, sea food exporters associations, hatchery owners, entrepreneurs and the State Government officials.
7. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries attended the meeting chaired by Home Secretary on 05th September, 2023 to brief about the action plan and initiatives taken so far for development seaweed in Kori Creek area of Gujarat.
8. The Department participated in the meeting of Expenditure Finance Committee(EFC) and Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) chaired by Secretary, Ministry of Expenditure on 20th September, 2023
9. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries attended meeting on Outreach for Saturation of Government of India Schemes held by Advisor to Prime Minister on 23rd September, 2023.
10. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries visited Rohtak, Haryana to review Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) - Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE) activities on 29th September, 2023 and interacted with shrimp farmers of Haryana to understand the grass root level problems being faced by the saline water shrimp farmers.
11. The 17th meeting of the Project Monitoring and Evaluation Unit (PMEU) - Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) under the Co-Chairmanship of both the Joint Secretaries of the Department of Fisheries was held on 14th September, 2023 wherein various projects received under central sector component of PMMSY along with NFDB Annual Plan 2023-24 were considered and projects with total outlay of Rs. 187 crores were recommended.
12. The Joint Secretary (Marine Fisheries) chaired meetings on 5th, 25th and 29th September, 2023 to discuss the relevant amendments for drafting of rules, regulations and guidelines for “The Coastal Aquaculture Authority (Amendment), Act, 2023 through hybrid mode.
13. The Joint Secretary (Inland Fisheries) attended the meeting with Brazilian Association of Animal Renderers – ABRA held on 11th September, 2023 and discussed the potential areas of bilateral cooperation in the field of fisheries and aquaculture.
14. The Joint Secretary (Inland Fisheries) participated in the meeting on SGoS issue related to Food and Nutrition Security (Goal 2 of Vision 2047) held on 12th September, 2023 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
15. 51st and 52nd meetings of Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) were held on 13th and 27th September, 2023 for evaluating and appraising the project proposal on Establishment of Aqua Park and Research Centre at Fish Seed Farm, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh and proposals of States/ UTs of Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and projects with total outlay of Rs. 375.50 crores were recommended.

16. The National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) conducted 23 training and awareness activities and 545 outreach activities during the month of September, 2023 covering 48,750 and 27,74,000 persons respectively.
17. The Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) processed 244 applications including 173 applications for registration and renewal of registration of farms received from Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and 71 applications for issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free Aqua Inputs.
18. The Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF) conducted technical evaluation of Government of West Bengal proposal on second phase of modernisation of Kakdwip Fishing Harbour at an estimated cost of Rs.44.05 crores and also evaluated the proposal of Government of Kerala on upgradation of Muthalapozhi Fishing Harbour at an estimated cost of Rs.50.00 crores under PMMSY.
19. The Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) conducted 4 fishermen outreach training programme for 160 fishermen.
20. Two fishing vessels of the Fishery Survey of India (FSI) sailed and conducted the exploratory survey programs for fisheries resources and marine mammal survey programme in and around the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) during the month. Senior Fisheries Scientist and Senior Scientific Assistant of Mormugao Base of FSI attended the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) training in Bangkok, Thailand from 04th to 07th September, 2023.
21. The National Institute of Fisheries Post Harvest Technology and Training (NIFPHATT) conducted training programme on post-harvest management for 103 marine fisher women/men comprising of 705 trainee days during the month.
22. The Grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS Portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 97% as on 30th September, 2023.
