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OFFICE MEMORANDAM

Subject: - Circulation of Monthly Summary of principal activities and the important decisions taken by Ministers/Departments to the Cabinet for the month of December, 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 December, 2021 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.

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(Dr. Ansy Mathew N.P) Assistant Commissioner (Fisheries)

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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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- 1) PS to Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
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- 5) PPS to JSs, Department of Fisheries
- 6) Technical Director, NIC DOF with a request to upload the enclosed document in the Department website.

<u>Monthly Summary of important activities pertaining to the Department of Fisheries,</u> Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying for the month of December, 2021

- 1) Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA), Chennai, was reconstituted with the approval of the competent authority on 06/12/2021. The post of Chairman, CAA was filled up and Justice Amar Singh Chauhan (Retd.) assumed the charge of the post on 10.12.2021.
- 2) Review of PMMSY was conducted with ACS/Principal Secretaries/ Commissioners/ Secretaries-in charge of Fisheries of all the States/UTs through Video Conference in nine sessions commencing from 07.12.2021 to 14.12.2021.
- 3) Swachhta Pakhwada was celebrated by the Department of Fisheries during 16th December to 31st December, 2021, and various activities were undertaken for creating awareness. During the campaign, more than 300 files were weeded out. Further, a Webinar was conducted with all the staff and officers of the Department and subordinate institutions to highlight importance of cleanliness particularly in fisheries sector.
- 4) The 6th meeting of the Central Apex Committee (CAC) was held on 29th December 2021 to consider and approve project proposals under central sector component of PMMSY. In the meeting proposals for up-gradation and modernization of Fishing Harbours at Paradip, Odisha and at Mallet Bunder, Mazgaon, Maharashtra at a cost of Rs.99.75 crore and Rs. 96.6 crores respectively were approved. Further, proposal of RGCA-MPEDA for "Genetic improvement programmes and Nucleus Breeding Centers (NBC) of Penaeus monodon" at a cost of Rs. 12.25 cr was also approved. This project on completion will promote 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' by enhancing domestic capacity to produce brood stock of Penaeus Monodon (Tiger Shrimp).
- 5) The 18th and 19th meeting of the Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) under PMMSY were held on 08.12.2021 and 22.12.2021 under the Chairmanship of Dr. C. Suvarna, Chief Executive, National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) to appraise the project proposals submitted by 9 States/UTs and Proposals with a total outlay of Rs.203.80 crore were recommended for sanction by the Department.
- 6) A Webinar on 'Cold water Fisheries: Untapped Resources' was organized by the Department of Fisheries on 22nd December, 2021 to focus on issues faced in this sector and to formulate strategies to develop fisheries in the Himalayan States. Dr. P.K. Pandey, Director, ICAR-Directorate of Coldwater fisheries, Bhimtal, Nainital made a comprehensive presentation on the subject, focusing on current production & productivity trends, use and scope of innovative technologies in breeding and culture and use of Geographic Information System (GIS) in identifying and developing suitable sites.
- 7) Further, a Webinar on "Nation- Wide Campaign on Kisan Credit Card (KCC) for Fisheries Sector" was also held on 23rd December, 2021 as a part of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mohotsav" and it was attended by more than 400 participants including officials States and UTs, officials from nationalized banks and co-operative banks, entrepreneurs, farmers, hatchery owners and such others stakeholders from aquaculture industry across the country.
- 8) NFDB participated in various events to showcase the growth and potential of fisheries sector. These include Pre-Vibrant Gujarat Summit 2021 at Anand, Gujarat during 14-16 December, 2021, the Mega Exhibition "Rise in Uttar Pradesh 2021" held at Ghaziabad,

Uttar Pradesh from 22nd to 24th December, 2021 and 12th Agro Vision India held at Nagpur, Maharashtra from 24th to 27th December 2021.

- 9) During the month of December 2021, CAA processed 577 applications for registration of shrimp farmers, 134 applications for renewal of registration of shrimp farms, 177 applications from 29 Companies of Aqua Input Manufacturers / distributors for issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free Inputs and 133 applications from 14 Companies for renewal of Certificate. CAA also monitored a total of 1349 farms and hatcheries for compliance of licence conditions.
- 10) A National Seminar on Marine Fisheries was organized by CIFNET, Kochi on 23.12.2021. and it was marked by presence of eminent fisheries scientists and by presentation of scientific and technical papers by eminent scientists and academicians. CIFNET also conducted extension training for 273 fishermen during the month.
- 11) Eight (8) fishing vessels attached with the Fishery Survey of India (FSI) sailed to conduct the exploratory survey programmes in and around of the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and identified 4 new specimen of fish apart from identifying and marking new potential fishing zones. Further, all Bases of the institutes conduced various Workshops/ Seminar/ Awareness Programmes/ Open Houses/ Exhibitions/ trainings as a part of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mohotsav".
- 12) Vizag Base of FSI organised an 'Open House' onboard MFV Matsya Shikari and MFV Matsya Darshini to demonstrate various fishing techniques and equipments to students and the public.
- 13) Director General, FSI and his team of scientists participated in 24th Session of Scientific Committee of Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) (SC 24) during 6th to 10th December, 2021.
- 14) The department participated in the 3rd Indian-European Union (EU) Maritime Security Group held on 1st 2nd December, 2021, in the workshop on Law of the Sea and Fisheries organised by Asian Regional Forum during 7th -8th December, 2021 and in the Glolitter deliberations on 21.12.2021.
- 15) Public Grievances: The grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 92% as on 31st December, 2021
