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Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Department of Fisheries

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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 February, 2022 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 February, 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

Copy to

- 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
- 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.

Monthly Summary of important activities pertaining to the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying for the month of February, 2022

- 1) Approval was given to MPEDA-RGCA to establish Broodstock Multiplication Centre for *P. Monodon* (Tiger Shrimp) using indigenous technology at a cost of Rs. 12.25 crores. It is expected that with commissioning of this Brookstock Multiplication Centre, country will become self-reliant in supply of shrimp broodstock in respect of *P. Monodon*.
- 2) Projects for modernization and upgradation of Cochin fishing harbour and Chennai fishing harbour at a total outlay of Rs. 263.00 crore were sanctioned.
- 3) The department participated in the webinar "Positive impact of Union Budget 2022" in Agriculture and allied sectors in 2022 and piloted the break-out session on "Emerging Hitech and Digital Agriculture ecosystem." The ideas generated will be taken forward to create a robust fisheries extension system using digital technology in PPP mode as announced in the budget.
- 4) A Webinar on "National Surveillance Programme for Aquatic Animal Disease: A Step towards Establishing Disease Governance System in India" was organized by the Department of Fisheries on 15th February, 2022 as a part of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mohatsav" with participants of more than 150 stakeholders. Dr. Neeraj Sood, Director, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)- National Bureau of Fish Genetics Resources (NBFGR) made a comprehensive presentation on the topic and briefed about various fish disease and its remedial measures.
- 5) NFDB by itself and through its training partners conducted 19 training and awareness programmes during the month covering 928 persons. Further through "Matsya Setu" app it imparted training to 985 persons in virtual mode in collaboration with CIFA, Bhubaneswar, in addition, it reached out to 52250 persons in 5 campaign and publicity program through mass and social media.
- 6) The Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) processed 546 applications for registration, 50 applications for renewal of registration of shrimp farm and 19 applications from 9 Companies of Aqua Input Manufacturers and distributors for issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free processed shrimp during the month of February, 2022. In addition, CAA conducted surprise checks of 78 hatcheries in Andhra Pradesh and took actions against those producing unauthorised and spurious seeds by way of destruction of such stock.
- 7) CAA initiated the process to develop the draft document for amendment of CAA Act 2005 and the meeting of the sub-committee duly constituted to develop the zero draft of the CAA Amendment Act was convened on 22/02/2022.
- 8) The Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF) prepared and submitted pre-feasibility report for the 11 sites in Palghar District of Maharashtra for development fishery harbour/ fish landing centre (FH/ FLC).
- 9) Five (5) fishing vessels attached with the Fishery Survey of India (FSI) sailed and conducted the exploratory survey programmes in and around of the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). During their voyages, it recorded availability of good quantity of shrimp fish and located a rich ground for Arabian whip Lobster Puerulus sewelli in

- Arabian Sea South –East off Cochin. It also sighted sea dragon and tomato rock pod, which are rare species.
- 10) The department alongwith scientists from FSI participated in virtual mode, the 6th meeting of the Working Group of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC-CDSWG06-01_Rev2) on catch documentation scheme held during 14th 15th February, 2022. In the meeting of IOTC Working Party on Implementation of Conservation and Management Measures (WPICMM) during 16-18th February, 2022.
- 11) National Institute of Fisheries, Post-Harvest Technology and Training (NIFPHATT) conducted training programme on post-harvest management for 104 marine fisher women/men comprising of 464 trainee days during the month.
- 12) Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) conducted 3 training programmes for marine fishermen on capacity building in deep sea fishing and onboard handling of Tuna.
- 13) The department participated in the Second meeting of ad-hoc Working Group of Asia Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC) held on 24-25 February 2022.
- 14) Public Grievances: The grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 80% as on 28th February, 2022.
