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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 Ministries/ Departments to the Cabinet for the month of July, 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 July, 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
- 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
- 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 July, 2022 in the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

- The Department participated in the 9th Meeting of the Parties of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA) held during 4th – 8th July, 2022 at La Reunion and secured the status of non-Contracting party of SIOFA. This will help us to get Contracting Party status in coming years and to secure fishing rights for Indian fishing vessels in South Indian Ocean.
- 2. 27th Meeting of the Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) of PMMSY was convened from 19th to 21st July, 2022 and the proposals of thirteen (13) States/ UTs with a total outlay of Rs.932.98 crore with the central share of Rs.336.55 crore were appraised and approved.
- 3. Central Approval and Monitoring Committee (CAMC) of FIDF held its 13th meeting under the chairpersonship of Joint Secretary (Inland Fisheries) on 29th July, 2022 and approved 5 infrastructure proposals at a total outlay of Rs. 926 crores consisting of 4 fishing harbours in Maharashtra at a cost of Rs. 673 crores and 1 fishing harbour in Tamil Nadu at a cost of Rs. 253.00 crore.
- 4. The Department finalized the draft Coastal Aquaculture Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022 after extensive discussions with stakeholders, with the objectives of decriminalizing the Act and to incorporate recent developments in the Coastal Aquaculture sector and the same was circulated alongwith the Draft Cabinet Note to various Central Ministries and Departments for comments.
- Shri Parshottam Rupala, Hon'ble Minister (FAHD) held meeting with members of fishermen community on 1st July 2022 at Secundrabad, Telangana and discussed fishermen issues, progress of PMMSY and progress under KCC for fishers.
- Dr. L. Murugan, Hon'ble MoS (FAHD) reviewed the work of National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) at Hyderabad on 1st July 2022 and also inspected its various units.
- 7. Shri Parshottam Rupala, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of FAHD attended the meeting of heads of PSBs and RRBs chaired by the Union Minister of Finance, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman on 7th July, 2022 to review the progress in issuance of Kisan Credit Card to Animal Husbandry, Dairy and Fish farmers on 07-07-2022.
- 8. Dr. L. Murugan, Hon'ble MoS FAHD visited Karaikkal, Puducherry on 7th July, 2022 and Rangat, Andaman & Nicobar Islands on 14th July, 2022 and interacted with respective fishermen associations and officials on progress of PMMSY and KCC.
- A high level meeting with Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) was convened to finalize
 the Tilapia Study Report and the roadmap for implementation of Tilapia Action Plan prepared
 by CII in order to diversify fish export basket.
- 10. Hon'ble Minister (FAHD) held bilateral meeting with H.E. Mrs. Mavis HawaKoomson, Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries and Aquaculture, Republic of Ghana on 20th July 2022 to discuss the potential areas of cooperation in fisheries and aquaculture and scope of export of Indian marine fishery products/ aquaculture to Ghana.

- 11. The Department organized a webinar on "Potential & Role of Fisheries Cooperatives" on 22nd July 2022 as a part of the ongoing Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations, in which a number of experts including Shri Sundeep Kumar Nayak DG, NPC shared their visions on role to be played by fisheries cooperatives. The webinar was attended by more than 100 participants including experts, fishers, and fish farmers, cooperators, officials and researchers working in fisheries sector.
- 12. The Department of Fisheries celebrated the 25th National Fish Farmers Day on 10th July, 2022 at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi in hybrid mode. During the celebrations, a number of outreach materials to promote fish consumption were released. Further, NFDB signed an MoU with State Bank of India to facilitate financing of projects under Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) and PMMSY.
- 13. Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) approved sixty-four (64) applications for registration, thirty-four (34) applications for renewal of aquaculture farms and thirty-nine (39) applications from Aqua Input Manufacturers/Distributors for issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free substances during the month. In addition, CAA also processed twenty (20) applications for registration and renewal of registration of shrimp hatcheries and got inspected, six hundred and ninety five (695) farms and hatcheries located in in the states of Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu for compliance of licence condition.
- 14. The NFDB organized 179 Training and Awareness Programs and Outreach activities through various media covering 6,24,532 persons in the month of July, 2022. The National Institute of Fisheries Post-Harvest Technology and Training (NIFPHATT) conducted training programme on post-harvest management for sixty (60) marine fisher women/men comprising of three hundred and seventy nine (379) trainee days during the month. Further CIFNET conducted 2 training programs for 155 marine fishermen in addition to running their regular courses.
- 15. Nine (9) fishing vessels of the Fishery Survey of India (FSI) sailed and conducted the exploratory survey programmes in and around of the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The Director General, Zonal Directors and scientists of the FSI participated in various virtual International Meetings on Working Party on Neretic Tunas (WPNT) held during 4th 8th July, 2022, Agreement on Port State Measures (PSMA) held during 11th -15th July, 2022 and 8th Meeting of the Working Party on Temperate Tuna (WPTmT08): Assessment held during 25th-29th July, 2022.
- 16. The Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF) conducted technical evaluation and prepared the design and Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for construction of one fishing harbour at Satapati Fishing Harbour in Maharashtra and nine (9) Fishing Harbours (FH)/ Fish Landing Centres (FLC) in Tamil Nadu.
- 17. Public Grievances: the Grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS Portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 95% as on 31st July, 2022.