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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 May, 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 May, 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

Copy to

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

1. Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (MoFAH&D), Shri Parshottam Rupala reviewed the achievements and significant activities of the schemes and programmes being implemented by the Department of Fisheries, Government of Kerala on 04-05-2023 at Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. He also distributed the deep sea fishing vessels to traditional fishermen under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, in presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Kerala at Kollam Kerala.
2. Hon'ble Minister, MoFAH&D, launched 7 major field Studies on Fisheries Sector commissioned by DoF and to be conducted by National Productivity Council in New Delhi on 16-05-2023.
3. Hon'ble Minister, MoFAH&D launched the Sagar Parikrama program Phase-V from Raigad Maharashtra to Canacoan, Goa between 17th to 19th May 2023. During the program, Hon'ble Minister and the central team interacted with the fishermen, and distributed benefits & awards under PMSSY, Kisan Credit Cards, QR coded Aadhar cards and E-shram cards to the fishers and fish farmers. Nearly 2300 persons participated in the inaugural event of Sagar Parikrama.
4. Hon'ble Minister, MoFAH&D, Shri Parshottam Rupala also conducted the Phase VI program of Sagar Parikrama in Andaman & Nicobar Islands at Panighat on 29.05.2023, and interacted with the beneficiaries of PMMSY and distributed Kisan Credit Cards and benefits under PMMSY to fishermen. The program was attended by more than 600 participants and by another 1000 fishers in virtual mode.
5. Hon'ble Minister of State, MoFAH&D, Dr. L. Murugan visited Guwahati, Assam on 12-05-2023 and discussed on the subject of fisheries development in Assam with Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Government of Assam, and the officials of Government of Assam.
6. The Department finalized the Action Plan for establishing new primary fisheries cooperative societies and for strengthening the existing societies in the country.
7. The Department attended the meeting of Parliamentary Standing Committee Meeting on Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Fisheries and Food Processing for examination of "the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023 held at New Delhi on 12-05-2023 and gave evidence.
8. The Department finalized the plan to meet the target of the Fisheries Export to the tune of Rs. 1 lakh crores by 2024-25.
9. Secretary, Fisheries visited Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), Hyderabad & had a discussion with the Director and Scientists of INCOIS, Hyderabad on possibilities of extending ocean-related services in the fisheries Sector.

10. The department participated in the review conference on Agreement for the implementation of the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea relating to the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly Migratory fish stocks during 22nd -26th May, 2023 at United Nations Headquarters in New York, United States of America. OSD (Fisheries) attended the conference and presented views of India.
11. The Department participated in the 27th session of Indian Ocean Tuna commission (IOTC) during 8th-12th May, 2023 in Mauritius.
12. The Department participated the World Trade Organisation (WTO) Technical Workshop on Fisheries Subsidies for Asia Region held at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 23rd to 25th May, 2023.
13. During the month Department has achieved the Standardization Testing and Quality Certification (STQC) Certificate and the Data Governance Quality Index has increased from 3.26 to 4.06 for the third quarter of 2022-23.
14. 43rd, 44th and 45th Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) meetings were held on 12th, 22nd and 23rd May, 2023 and the proposals of the thirteen States and five UTs Madhya Pradesh Assam and five Union Territories (UTs) namely Jammu& Kashmir, Andaman & Nicobar, Puducherry, Lakshadweep and Ladakh with a total outlay of Rs.1479.29 crores was recommended for approval.
15. The National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) conducted 07 training and awareness activities and 29 outreach activities during the month of May, 2023 covering 4,375 and 82,230 persons respectively.
16. During the month the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) processed 354 applications for registration and renewal of farms and 82 applications for issue of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic free aqua inputs.
17. Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF) conducted pre-feasibility studies for river mouth stabilization at Moorthikuppam-Pudukuppam fishing village and Pannithittu village in Puducherry.
18. The Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) conducted 02 fishermen extension training programmes and 01 fishermen in-house training programme for 130 fishermen.
19. Three (3) 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 of the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The Director General and Scientists of FSI participated in the panel discussion on “Tuna Fisheries in Bay of Bengal (BoB) Region: Emerging Challenges under Changing Climate and Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) Regime” organised by the Bay of

Bengal Programme (BoBP), Chennai on the occasion of World Tuna day on 02-05-2023.

20. The National Institute of Fisheries Post Harvest Technology and Training (NIFPHATT) conducted training programme on post-harvest management for 91 marine fisher women/ men comprising of 718 trainee days during the month.
21. Public Grievances: The Grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS Portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 98% as on 31-05-2023.
