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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 April, 2024 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 April, 2024 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 Dairving
- 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.

<u>Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month of April, 2024</u> in the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

- 1. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries attended meeting of Sectoral Group of Secretaries (SGoS) 1 (Rural and Agriculture) on Vision 2047, next Five Year Plan and 100 days Action Plan held on 01st April, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 2. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries chaired the Meeting on National Coastal Mission on 02nd April, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi through Video Conferencing (VC).
- 3. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries participated in the Sectoral Group of Secretaries (SGoS) 1 (Rural and Agriculture) on Vision 2047, Next Five Year Plan and 100 days Action Plan held on 04thApril, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 4. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries co-chaired the Meeting with the Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources to discuss convergences with Ministry of Water Resources on 04thApril, 2024in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 5. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries chaired the meeting on the Voluntary Carbon Markets and its relevance to Fisheries Sector on 04thApril, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 6. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries chaired meeting on the Cluster approach in Fisheries Sector on 05th April, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 7. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries led a delegation and participated in the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Regional Seminar and Capacity Building on Blue Ports Initiative in Asia held during the period from 9th to 11th April, 2024 at Fangchanggang, China along with Joint Commissioner (Fisheries). Department of Fisheries. The main theme of this programme was deliberations on the key components of the FAO's Blue Ports Initiative (BPI) which aims to transform marine ports into hubs of expertise and sustainable economic growth. This FAO programme primarily emphasised the development of improved policies and programs with technological innovations, aligning seamlessly with the FAO Blue Transformation initiatives.
- 8. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries attended Meeting of Sectoral Group of Secretaries (SGoS) 1 (Rural and Agriculture) on Vision 2047, Next Five Year plan and 100 days Action Plan held on 16th April, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 9. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries co-chaired the meeting with the Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj to discuss on convergences with Ministry of Panchayati Raj on 22nd April, 2024 in Krishi Bhayan, New Delhi.
- 10. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries attended meeting of Sectoral Group of Secretaries (SGoS) 1 (Rural and Agriculture) on Vision 2047, next Five Year Plan and 100 days Action Plan held on 23rdApril, 2024 in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 11. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries chaired the 1stLecture Series "Matsya Manthan" on latest technology application for fisheries and aquaculture held in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi on 25thApril, 2024. The Co-founder of "Nature Dots" made a presentation on "Aquanurch Digital Twin: Artificial Intelligence (AI) for fisheries".

- 12. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries chaired meeting with Boston Consulting Group (BCG) on Digital Initiatives for Fisheries on 26th April, 2024 in Chander Lok Building, New Delhi.
- 13. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries co-chaired the meeting with the Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs to discuss on convergences with Ministry of Tribal Affairs on 29thApril, 2024 in Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 14. The Secretary, Department of Fisheries chaired 3rd meeting to discuss and review Fisheries related matters with coastal security agencies and coastal States/ Union Territories (UTs) on 30th April, 2024 through Video Conferencing (VC), in which Security agencies, namely National Security Coordination Secretariat (NSCS), Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Ministry of Defence (MoD), Indian Coast Guard (ICG), National Informatics Centre (NIC) and officials from Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), and Coastal States and UTs were present.
- 15. The Joint Secretary (Marine Fisheries) attended an inaugural Session of Bay of Bengal Programme-Inter Governmental Organisation (BoBP)/ Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Workshop to review the SOFIA Analysis for Area 51 on 15th April, 2024 through Video Conferencing (VC).
- 16. The Joint Secretary (Marine Fisheries) participated in the Inter-Ministerial Meeting for the preparation of 26thAssociation of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) India Senior Officials Meeting (AISOM) under the Chairmanship of Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) on 16th April, 2024 in South Block, New Delhi.
- 17. The Joint Secretary (Marine Fisheries) attended the Inter-Ministerial Meeting in connection to the preparation of the 6th Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Summit under the Chairmanship of Secretary (East). MEA on 23rd April, 2024 in Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 18. One fishing vessel 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.
- 19. The 77thMeeting of the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) was convened in virtual mode through video conferencing on 30th April, 2024 under the Chairmanship of Justice Amar Singh Chauhan, Chairperson, CAA.
- 20. The Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) processed 443 applications including 355 applications for registration and renewal of registration received from the States/ Union Territories of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Odisha and Goa and 77 applications for the issuance of Certificate of Compliance for Antibiotic Free Aqua Inputs received from the Input Manufacturers. 655 visits were made to the farms and hatcheries and sensitized the stakeholders on compliance of CAA Guidelines in coastal districts of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.
- 21. The Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET) conducted 5 training courses which include 3 regular courses and 2 short term courses for fishermen outreach training programme benefiting 205 candidates.

- 22. The National Institute of Fisheries Post Harvest Technology and Training (NIFPHATT) conducted training programme on post-harvest management for 71 marine fisher women/men.
- 23. The Grievance disposal under the CPGRAMS Portal for Department of Fisheries stood at 96 % as on 30th April, 2024.
