

Regarding comprehensive execution of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojna in Konaseema region of Andhra Pradesh-laid

SHRI G. M. HARISH BALAYOGI (AMALAPURAM): Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) was established as an initiative to transform and modernize the fisheries sector by addressing critical gaps across various sectors and to boost global competitiveness. However, the implementation of the scheme in Dr. BR Ambedkar Konaseema district, despite having the second highest number of fishermen in Andhra Pradesh, has been highly unsatisfactory. In the past four years, only 201 beneficiaries have been covered under the scheme, which is a critically low number for a district having such a huge fishermen community. More importantly, several approved components under the scheme still remain pending. None of the 6 deep-sea fishing vessels, 3550 ha of stocking of fingerlings, 4 cages in reservoirs, 5 open sea cage culture or 136 units for boat replacement have been completed, with more than 90% of the fish kiosks approved, not constructed. This poor state of implementation not only undermines the objectives of the scheme but also adversely affects the livelihoods of the fishing community, who rely heavily on such initiatives. Therefore, I would like to request an enquiry into the causes of these delays and insist on prompt action to guarantee the successful execution of the scheme within the Konaseema region.