

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7001
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PRODUCTION OF FISH
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a sharp decline in the production of fish in some States during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the reasons attributed thereto;
- (d) whether there is a vast scope to increase fish production in several States and particularly coastal States; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken to increase fish production particularly in Orissa?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a) to(c): As per the information available there is no sharp decline in the production of fish during 2000-01 over 1998-99. However, the minor decline in the production of fish has been observed in the States of Orissa, Delhi, Madhya Pradesh and J&K in 2000-01 over 1998-99.
- (d)&(e): Steps have been taken by the Government to increase production of fish and marine products as well as productivity of fishermen and fishing industry. Various schemes are being implemented for development of fisheries and aquaculture in the States including coastal states.