

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2533
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CONDITION OF HARBOURS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has provided financial assistance to the Government of Kerala for construction and upgradation of fishing harbours at ThanKassery, Neendakara and Paravoor;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the status of said harbours/fish landing centres; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) (b) and (c): The Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India has provided financial assistance to the Government of Kerala for construction of fishing harbours(FH) at Thankassery and Neendakara and fish landing centre(FLC) at South Paravoor. An amount of Rs. 990.25 lakh and 311.00 lakh respectively has been provided for construction of fishing harbours at Thankassery and Neendakara. The fish landing centre at South Paravoor has been constructed with the Central financial assistance of Rs. 12.47 lakh.

Besides, augmentation of facilities at these fishing harbours and fish landing centres has been proposed . The proposal for modernization of Neendakara FH at a cost of Rs. 40 lakh was approved and first instalment of Rs. 15 lakh released in December, 2003. The Government of Kerala has recently submitted proposals to the National Fisheries Development Board for modernization of Thankassery and Neendakara FHs at an estimated cost 400 lakh and 1350 lakh respectively. No proposal for upgradation and modernization of South Paravoor FLC has been submitted by the Government of Kerala.